



*Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota*

Adopted on: February 6, 2024 Resolution No. 24-79

Offered by Commissioner: Grimm

Authorization to Apply to the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program for the Rice Lake Road (County State Aid Highway 4) Corridor Project – CP 0004-490685

WHEREAS, The RAISE Grant Program provides federal funding grant opportunities for surface transportation projects that will improve safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life, mobility and community connectivity and economic competitiveness; and

WHEREAS, The 2024 RAISE Grant solicitation will provide up to \$1.5 billion with a maximum funding request of \$25 million; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department proposes to submit a funding application to the RAISE Grant Program to obtain funding for the Rice Lake Road (CSAH 4) Corridor Project; and

WHEREAS, If awarded funding, St. Louis County would be responsible for design engineering, environmental documentation and permitting, right-of-way acquisition, bidding and construction engineering and administration at the cost of St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires that funding recipients agree to operate and maintain facilities constructed with federal transportation funds for the useful life of the improvement and not change the use of right-of-way or property ownership acquired without prior approval from the FHWA.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Department to submit a funding application to the RAISE Grant Program to obtain funding for the Rice Lake Road (CSAH 4) Corridor Project located in the cities of Duluth and Rice Lake, further identified as CP 0004-490685.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if awarded funding, St. Louis County will provide the necessary cost contribution for this project, including any necessary cost share of potential cost overruns.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That St. Louis County agrees to assume ownership and full responsibility for operation and maintenance of county road infrastructure constructed under this grant.

Commissioner Grimm moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:

Yeas – Commissioners Harala, Boyle, Grimm, McDonald, Musolf, Jugovich and Chair Nelson – 7

Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

I, **NANCY NILSEN**, Auditor of the County of St. Louis, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 6th day of February, A.D. 2024, and that this is a true and correct copy.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 6th day of February, A.D., 2024.

NANCY NILSEN, COUNTY AUDITOR

By:

Clerk of the County Board/Deputy Auditor