

February 10, 2026

Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR)
Centennial Office Building, 1st Floor
658 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55155

To the Members of the LCCMR:

Dakota County is seeking \$3,122,523 for the following projects.

- Veterans Memorial Greenway- Native American Veterans Restoration, Native Plantings, and Enhanced Memorial: \$495,000 request with \$165,000 county grant-match=\$660,000 total project cost
- System-wide ADA Improvements (per audit of both indoor and outdoor park spaces): \$562,500 request with \$187,500 county grant-match=\$750,000 total project cost
- Spring Lake Park Reserve Interpretive Messaging Plan Implementation: \$230,518 request with \$76,840 county grant-match=\$307,358 total project cost
- Spring Lake Park Reserve Restoration Project (same project as 3M PFAS Settlement request): \$921,521 request with \$247,673 county grant-match and \$59,500 in-kind match of plugs grown=\$1,228,694 total project cost
- North Creek Greenway Natural Resource Restoration, Pollinator-Themed Interpretation, and Greenway Access at the Minnesota Zoo: \$1,001,840 request with \$333,947 county grant-match=\$1,335,787 total project cost

The Dakota County Board of Commissioners supports this project and authorizes the submittal of a proposal by the Parks Director for funding of this project to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) in response to the ML 2027 Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) Request for Proposal.

If funds are awarded, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners understands that it must comply with all applicable federal and state laws, environmental requirements, and regulations and any additional conditions stated in the grant agreement (if needed) and the approved LCCMR work plan. The Dakota County Board of Commissioners understands that grants from the ENRTF are generally paid out on a reimbursement basis and has the financial capability to pay for project expenses prior to seeking reimbursement.

Dakota County certifies that none of its current principals have been convicted of a felony financial crime in the last ten years. For this purpose, a principal is defined as a public official, a board member, or staff that would have the authority to access or determine the use of ENRTF funds, if awarded.

Dakota County has the financial capability to ensure adequate operation and maintenance of the project once completed.

The Physical Development Director is authorized to execute such agreements and work plans as necessary and Parks Director is authorized to implement the project on behalf of the Dakota County.

Sincerely,