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AGENDA

Date: 18 November 2025 **Attachment 2**
Time: 3:00 PM
Location: 2522 Marshall Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418

Agenda (D) — Signifies Decision Item

- 1) Welcome, Introduction of Commissioners and Roll Call
- 2) Approval of Agenda **(D)** Attachment 2
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 - i. Continua Proposal..... Attachment 6.3.1
 - ii. Continua Floor Plan Attachment 6.3.2
 - d. 2025-032: Little Earth Stormwater Improvements **(D)** Attachment 6.4
 - e. 2025-033: Medtronic Site Stormwater Management Study **(D)**..... Attachment 6.5
 - f. 2025-034: Owámniyomni Environmental Investigation **(D)**..... Attachment 6.6

- 7) Board Updates and Announcements
- 8) Open Public Input (Non-Agenda Items) Sign-in Sheet
- 9) Adjourn (**D**)



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MEETING MINUTES

Date: 9 September 2025

Attachment 3

Time: 3:00 PM

Location: 2522 Marshall Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418

Attendance

Commissioners: Connie Buesgens, Columbia Heights and Hilltop; Ann Bolkcom, Fridley; Jeff Dains, Lauderdale; Billy Menz, MPRB; Lona Doolan, St. Anthony Village; and Michael Lukes, St. Paul.

Staff and Guests: Emmy Baskerville-Doeckel, Mirae Guenther, Akadia Johnson, Abby Moore, Nixon Pfeiffer, Kevin Reich, Emily Resseger, Michelle Spangler, and Nancy Stowe, MWMO; Glenda Meixell, Anoka Conservation District; Julie Aldrich, MPRB; and Amy Juntunen, JASS.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Buesgens. Buesgens introduced new Board member, Ann Bolkcom.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Menz, second by Doolan to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Doolan, second by Lukes to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2025 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

2025-021: RBC Wealth Management Investment Account. Motion by Menz, second by Doolan to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports from Staff

Equity Strategic Action Plan

Moore gave an update on the MWMO Equity Strategic Action Plan (ESAP) process, which began in 2022 as part of the Watershed Management Plan. A written progress report will be emailed to all Board members. The MWMO area population is ~302,000, with 42% identifying as BIPOC and over 90 languages spoken. Culture Brokers, LLC was hired in 2023 to assist with writing this plan. From May 2023 through February 2024, staff worked with the consultant to develop an equity framework, gather input from stakeholders, and identify MWMO strengths and weaknesses, as well as areas of DEI opportunity. This information was used to develop the ESAP. The purpose of the ESAP is to measure and significantly improve results with diverse constituents. Two high impact areas have been selected for a one-year workplan with measurable goals.

Stakeholder input identified financial transparency as a current weakness of MWMO, so this is one high-impact area chosen for improvement. A DEI spending policy and measurable goals in this area have been developed and implementation has begun. Goals include having 25% of MWMO vendors hired for Admin/Facilities work be DEI-qualified vendors and 50% of grant dollars allocated through the Stewardship Fund meet high-scoring DEI criteria. Next steps include institutionalizing DEI spending, adding steps to the selection and purchase process for vendors to meet DEI goals, and updating language re the Stewardship Fund to encourage applicants from diverse backgrounds. Staff have also increased efforts to connect with community groups re Stewardship grants. Future recommendations include creating a process to simplify tracking on DEI spending for admin/facilities work, strengthening relationships with past grantees, and considering ways to expand or adapt the Stewardship fund.

The planning process also identified the Rebuilt Environment as an MWMO area of strength. Staff defined locations for high potential for connection among different cultures in a map of current and past MWMO projects. Additional guidance will be included for future project selection in “cultural corridors” and staff will look for opportunities to increase the number of projects within these cultural corridors with no or few projects, with extra emphasis on increasing community engagement with projects. MWMO will leverage Stewardship Fund grants to fund projects reflecting diverse communities and periodically review these cultural corridors. Recommendations include review and development of specific recommendations for modification to Stewardship Fund budget and procedures. Next steps are to implement recommendations, institutionalize our culture of continuous improvement, and identify strategic improvement, as well as development of the next workplan.

General Business

2025-022: 2026 FY Budget

At today's meeting the upper limit for the annual levy, to be finalized in November, is set. Staff recommends the 2026 levy limit be set at \$8,182,050, a 4.5% increase over the 2025 levy and includes operating funds and capital project funds. There are no major changes to the budget from previous years.

Motion by Dains, second by Doolan to approve Resolution 2025-022 approving the MWMO maximum levy amount for FY 2026 at \$8,182,050. Motion carried unanimously.

2025-023: Stewardship Fund Action and Planning Grants

For the second round of 2025 grants, seven pre-applications were received, with six invited to complete the final application. Staff recommend awarding one Action grant and five Planning grants.

1. Midway Contemporary Art Educational Wing Expansion - \$50,000 Action grant. The expansion will use environmentally-conscious building practices and include solar panels and comprehensive stormwater management for the entire 0.4-acre property, with a new geocell and gravel parking lot featuring an underground stormwater overflow system that connects to the public stormwater system. This will retain more rainwater on-site before overflowing into the storm system. There will also be a native planting and canopy of trees on the north, west and east sides of the property.
2. Riverfront Regional Park NRMP in Anoka County - \$20,000. This is a planning grant to update a native planting and management plan for Riverfront Park to guide restoration efforts. A major initiative to remove invasive buckthorn has been underway since 2016. The 2014 management plan predates this work and offers limited guidance on which native species should be planted to replace buckthorn in the disturbed and undisturbed natural areas of the park.
3. Landings Townhomes Stormwater Planning - \$20,000. This planning grant will assist a 58-unit townhome association on 12 acres adjacent to the Mississippi River and Bassett Creek to better manage stormwater on site. Currently, all stormwater flows untreated into the Mississippi River through the city storm sewer system. This project will evaluate water quality improvements designed to filter, store and infiltrate stormwater on site with the goal to reduce the volume of untreated water discharging directly to the Mississippi.

4. PFG Rain Garden - \$20,000. This planning grant is to help rehabilitate the rear parking lot area at Phelan Manufacturing by removing old asphalt and replacing it with asphalt/concrete with permeable pavers, two raingardens and associated landscaping with trees and turf. Phelan is currently electrically self-sufficient with solar arrays and wants to further help the environment by improving stormwater quality leaving the site.
5. Ecosystem Shifts: Digitally Fabricated Ceramic Structures for Aquatic Restoration - \$16,398.72. This planning grant is to help develop 3D-printed ceramic units that support ecological restoration in impaired freshwater environments. These units are designed to function as regenerative infrastructure to enhance sediment stability, promote growth of submerged aquatic vegetation, and facilitate nutrient uptake within degraded systems.
6. Heritage Park Youth Leadership Raingarden Takeover - \$20,000. This planning grant will support Urban Strategies, Inc. (USI) work in the Heritage Park neighborhood. USI aims to empower residents of distressed urban core neighborhoods to build safe, sustainable neighborhoods. This project focuses on reducing littering, increasing education, and caring for the 22 raingardens in Heritage Park. This will include monthly community engagement surrounding the 22 raingardens in the neighborhood and advocacy for greener infrastructure, operations and maintenance for the raingardens and the neighborhood.

Motion by Lukes, second by Doolan to approve Resolution 2025-023 approving 2025 Action and Planning Grants, committing \$146,389.752 from the Stewardship Fund and authorizing Staff to take all necessary actions to implement the resolution and sign Action and Planning Grant agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

2025-024: Sculpture Garden Reuse Assessment and Repair

In 2016 MWMO awarded MPRB a grant to construct a water reuse system with an 80,000-gallon underground cistern. This would recapture water from the Spoonbridge and Cherry sculpture to be reused for irrigation of the garden and ballfield. A number of operational issues on site, from staff education to mechanical issues, have led to the system not working correctly. Staff have been working with a consultant to develop a scope of work to complete a study including site investigation, documentation and mapping of all components of the reuse system, and evaluation of current functionality compared to design to develop a range of repair and improvement alternatives and prepare an O&M manual for the system. The study will also provide estimated costs for repair.

Motion by Dains, second by Menz to approve Resolution 2025-25 approving up to \$74,500 for the sculpture garden and parade baseball field reuse assessment and repair study.

2025-025: Cedar Ave Feasibility Study

This is a study for structural components for the Little Earth water reuse project in collaboration with Hennepin County. This project is in the Southside Green Zone and inspired by the reconstruction of Cedar Avenue in conjunction with rehabilitation of parks in the area and other street reconstruction projects. The area currently has little or no stormwater treatment. There is a lot of open space on the Little Earth United Tribes property with low quality vegetation offering an opportunity to convert barren areas to rain gardens and pollinator and medicinal plantings. Stormwater from a 7-acre drainage area can be captured for reuse from Cedar Avenue and the southwest parking lot. Little Earth is very interested in pursuing this project. To accomplish this, stormwater components will need to be installed during the reconstruction of Cedar Avenue. Staff are requesting \$260,000 to partner with Hennepin County to install structural components under Cedar Avenue to allow for future hookup to a water treatment and reuse facility on the Little Earth United Tribes property.

Motion by Doolan, second by Menz to approve Resolution 2025-025 approving funding for the installation of Cedar Avenue structural components. Motion carried unanimously.

2025-026: Central Ave Columbia Heights Feasibility Study

This is a 13-acre site just west of Central Avenue planned for redevelopment. Jackson Pond is a stormwater retention pond serving 158-600 acres on the west side of the parcel. The pond is regularly pumped after rainfalls and provides more flood mitigation than water quality benefit. Staff are requesting not-to-exceed \$80,000 to assess current regional benefits provided by Jackson Pond and feasibility options for redevelopment that will not adversely impact the current benefits and flood mitigation. The development will need to provide its own stormwater management on site to ensure there is no negative impact to flood storage or stormwater quality.

Motion to approve Resolution 2025-026 approving funding for the 4300 Central Ave NE planning level feasibility study. Motion carried unanimously.

2025-027: 1500-1600 Marshall St NE Feasibility Study

This is a shoreline improvement and access study. The site currently has significant existing MPRB amenities including parks and bike/pedestrian trails. Incoming developers of a new apartment building south of this site at 1400 Marshall have agreed to allow trail creation from Marshall Street to the riverfront on that property. This is an opportunity to enhance/stabilize the shoreline and establish new pedestrian connections, river access points and a non-motorized boat

launch. Staff propose hiring SRF at a cost not-to-exceed \$112,000 to determine what is feasible in the area including a biological survey, geotechnical investigation and preliminary design work, with a focus on shoreline restoration, access and continuity in habitat creation.

Motion by Doolan, second by Menz to approve Resolution 2025-027 approving up to \$112,000 in watershed assessment funds to complete this study. Motion carried unanimously.

2025-028: Karst Guidelines Study

Staff are requesting funding for a study of Karst and stormwater infiltration. Significant areas within the MWMO area may be “infiltration limited” due to geologic conditions. This would address changes from a 2014 study that outlined limits to infiltration due to the depth of the groundwater table and provide recommendations for navigating/enhancing MPCA guidelines for infiltrating in Karst areas. The study will determine what is feasible with limitations, without limitations, or not allowable at all due to Karst, which is soluble bedrock. Karst geology typically has a high density of caves and sinkholes due to groundwater forming voids in the dissolvable bedrock. Stormwater infiltration is currently prohibited near active Karst regions in Minnesota. In Tennessee, studies have been conducted to create more specific guidelines regarding sizing of raingardens or other stormwater features in these areas. The goals are to update infiltration suitability mapping, develop recommendations to regulatory agencies for refinement of infiltration limitations in Karst areas, and facilitate a workshop between MWMO staff, TAC and regulatory agencies to discuss findings.

Motion by Doolan, second by Menz to approve Resolution 2025-028 approving up to \$45,000 in watershed assessment funds to complete the MWMO Limits to Infiltration and Karst Guidelines study. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing

10 Year Plan Minor Amendment

Motion by Buesgens, second by Doolan to pause the regular meeting and open the Public Hearing at 4:53 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Part of the MWMO 2021-2031 Watershed Management Plan is the Capital Improvement Project list. This Minor Plan Amendment will add the next five years of Capital Projects into the Plan. This includes new and continuing projects, with a total for all projects of \$28,700,000. Some projects are opportunity-based.

No one from the public was present. Board action will be requested at the November meeting after the 30-day review period following this public hearing.

Motion by Bolkom, second by Doolan to close the public hearing and resume the regular meeting at 5:11 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

[Dains departed 5:12 p.m.]

Board Updates and Announcements

Doolan attended an overview of a collaborative research grant with the U of M, SAFL and the City of St. Paul to overlay flood risk and resilience capacity mapping of the upper Mississippi basin. This study investigated the effectiveness of raingardens, tree plantings, etc. and overlaying that on DEI areas to learn how to build greater tree canopy and greater flood capacity in these areas. They will have occasional workshops as this study progresses. Doolan also attended the MN Watersheds meeting in August that focused on resolutions and petitions they would like to bring to the legislature this year. That meeting was for Board members only.

Lukes noted that Highway 280 will be closed from April-November 2026 for reconstruction with a short opening for the State Fair. This may be an opportunity for improvement to the Kasota Ponds area. PBS aired a two-hour show on the Mississippi from the headwaters to the delta called Tipping Point.

Open Public Input

Meixell requested any milkweed seeds collected for the Anoka Conservation District include labels of where the seeds were collected, the name of the collector, and that the seeds should be submitted in a paper bag.

On Saturday, September 27, MWMO will host an open house from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to celebrate the close of the current artist exhibit, Botanical Impressions, with artist Winna Bernard.

Adjourn

There being no further business, motion by Lukes, second by Menz to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m.



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Request for Board Action

Attachment 5

Agenda Item: Staff Updates

Presenter: Various

Meeting Date: 18 November 2025

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 18 November 2025

Background

Kevin Reich

- Introducing Administrative and Facility Operations Manager Shameka Gherau



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Attachment 6.1

Agenda Item: FY 2026 Final Levy

Presenter: Kevin Reich

Meeting Date: 18 November 2025

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 18 November 2025

Background (Attach Supporting Documents as needed)

The proposed levy is based on our comprehensive plan and its current update, strategic plan, and our members' Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs), and our forecast budget for 2026. We are currently verifying the CIPs slated for 2024–2028 and are estimating our expected current-year expenditures to determine use of prior-year unspent funds. We will bring a final levy to the November board meeting. At this time, staff is recommending the levy not to exceed \$8,182,050. This represents a 5.7 percent increase.

2026 Preliminary Levy

11/18/2025

Levy Limit set at September MWMO Board Meeting

Final Levy set at the November MWMO Board

Approval of the levy does not constitute approval of individual projects. Funds will be encumbered to a project only after an agreement between the MWMO and the Lead Agency describing the specific scope of work is completed.

2026 Preliminary Levy

Projects Fund	\$ 5,104,000
General Fund	\$ 2,490,000
Capital Asset Replacement Fund	\$ 477,500
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Subtotal Budget	\$ 8,071,500
Contingency 1.5% (Uncollected Levy)	\$ 110,550
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Total Budget	\$ 8,182,050

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2025-029

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MWMO MAXIMUM LEVY AMOUNT FOR FY 2026 AT \$8,182,050

WHEREAS, The MWMO has developed a comprehensive Watershed Management Plan that identifies capital projects, monitoring, watershed assessments and outreach initiatives to implement; and

WHEREAS, The MWMO is required by statute to submit a maximum levy amount to county auditors by September 30 of each year for Truth-in-Taxation statements for the next fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, The MWMO staff have met with its members to determine probable projects for 2025–2028; and

WHEREAS, Approval of the draft levy does not constitute approval of individual projects or initiatives. Funds will be committed to a project only after the MWMO Board approves a specific scope of work to be completed; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommend the Board of Commissioners adopt the maximum levy amount of \$8,182,050 for MWMO fiscal year 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners moves to set the maximum MWMO levy amount for FY 2026 at \$8,182,050 and authorizes MWMO staff to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the resolution.

Adopted this the 18th day of November, 2025.

Review for the Board: _____

Connie Buesgens, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Kevin Reich, Executive Director



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Request for Board Action

Attachment 6.2

Agenda Item: 2025 Minor Plan Amendment

Presenter: Aaron Goemann

Meeting Date: 18 November 2025

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 18 November 2025

Background (Supporting Documents are attached)

MWMO’s 2025 Minor Plan Amendment is now complete and awaiting the MWMO Board’s final approval. This amendment was primarily to modify the MWMO’s Capital Improvement Project (CIP) List to better represent the MWMO’s strategic priorities and to account for projects that have been completed and projects for which implementation is likely within the next 5 years. It also provided a link to MWMO’s completed Equity Strategic Action Plan, which staff have been implementing.

All comments have been addressed and are now included in the final document. A final copy of the Plan will be posted on our website, and the plan will be submitted electronically to the required agencies by the end of November. Hard copies will be available upon request.

The attached approval letter from BWSR includes the comments submitted by cities, watersheds, and agencies during the 30-day review period. These changes to the Plan have been made by MWMO staff.

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2025-030

A RESOLUTION APPROVING 2025 MINOR PLAN AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, The MWMO maintains a 10-Year Watershed Management Plan;

WHEREAS, The 5-Year Capital Improvement Project (CIP) schedule of the 2021-2031 10-Year Watershed Management Plan requires updates to reflect current planning priorities;

WHEREAS, Staff submitted amendments to the 10-Year Watershed Management Plan, including updates to the 5-Year CIP schedule to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources for review and solicited public comment from pertinent review agencies and governmental units;

WHEREAS, Staff recommend the Board of Commissioners adopt the 2025 Minor Plan Amendments as presented;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners adopt the 2025 Minor Plan Amendment to MWMO's 10-Year Watershed Management Plan and authorizes MWMO staff to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the resolution.

Adopted this the 18th day of November, 2025.

Review for the Board: _____

Connie Buesgens, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Kevin Reich, Executive Director



October 20, 2025

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization
Attn: Dan Kalmon, Senior Planner
2522 Marshall Street NE
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55418-3329

RE: Mississippi Watershed Management Organization – Watershed Management Plan Amendment (Minor)

Dear Dan Kalmon:

On September 16, 2025, the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) received documentation of proposed changes to the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization’s (MWMO) Water Management Plan (Plan) submitted in accordance with the minor amendment process defined in MN Rules 8410.0140 Sup.2. MWMO also sent the minor amendment documentation to plan review authorities for the required 30-day review and comment period, which ended on October 17, 2025.

The Plan amendment updates local water plan content requirements, updates current 5-year capital improvement plan (CIP) and incorporates MWMO’s Equity Strategic Action Plan (ESAP).

The Anoka Conservation District and Shingle Creek and West Mississippi Watershed Commissions reviewed the proposed amendment. The theme of those comments supported partnerships and collaboration. The City of Minneapolis encouraged further community engagement specific to the ESAP. The Metropolitan Council reviewed and had suggestions for consistent terminology, to include references to the Met Council’s planning handbook, to incorporate CIP funding source information, and showed support for the MWMO’s ESAP. Ramsey County was interested learning if the MWMO’s had a cost share policy for partner organizations. The Rice Creek Watershed District reinforced the importance of regional chloride reduction, appreciated the CIP description and updated table and the addition of the ESAP, and looks forward to collaboration. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) provided reminders about potential project permits through the DNR, recommended the inclusion of an additional CIP project, and noted a typographic error, while stating that the proposed CIP aligns well with DNR goals. The City of Lauderdale, the University of Minnesota – Planning, Space, and Real Estate, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, and the Capitol Region Watershed District also reviewed the proposed amendment and had no comments.

The Hennepin County Board has not filed an objection to the amendments with BWSR during the comment period. MWMO held a public meeting on the proposed plan amendment in accordance with the rule requirements on September 9, 2025. No comments were received.

In reviewing this information, BWSR agrees that this revision constitutes a minor plan amendment in accordance with MN Rules 8410.0140 Subp.2.

BWSR commends the MWMO for maintaining a current watershed management plan as it leads to greater transparency and demonstrates a commitment to the implementation process. BWSR recommends that any completed projects be kept in the Plan for progress evaluation and transparency. Also, please consider general

acknowledgment of MWMOs pursuit and/or receipt of state funds as a potential funding source. Once the MWMO Board of Commissioners adopts the changes, please forward it in the form of replacement pages to the Plan to all plan review authorities and plan holders in accordance with 8410.140 Subps. 4 & 5. Refer to the Metro Plan Review Roster, found on the BWSR website, for the plan format that review agencies have requested (BWSR only requires electronic copies/link to the updated pages). We appreciate the opportunity to comment and please contact me with any questions at 651-308-6956.

Sincerely,



Jen Dullum
Board Conservationist

Cc: Reid Christianson, MDA (via email)
Abby Shea, MDH (via email)
Megan Moore, MnDNR (via email)
Katie Kowalczyk, MnDOT (via email)
Maureen Hoffman, Metropolitan Council (via email)
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Date: November 18th, 2025
To: 30 Day Plan Amendment Reviewers
From: Mississippi Watershed Management Organization
RE: 2015 MWMO Amendment

Organization	Plan Page #; Topic; Location	Comments	MWMO Response
Anoka Conservation District		No Comments	Thank you for taking the time to review our Minor Plan Amendment. We will reach out to you if we have any projects we can collaborate on.
BWSR		In summary, BWSR agrees that the proposed revision constitute a minor plan amendment in accordance with MN Rules 8410.0140 Subp. 2.	MWMO's staff appreciates, the time you took to work through MWMO's 2025 Minor Plan Amendment. The edits requested in BWSR's letter and from the individual reviewers have been completed. The MWMO Board will be approving the Amended WMP at their upcoming November 18th Board Meeting.
Basset Creek		No Response	
Cap Region		No Comments	We appreciate you taking the time to review MWMO's Plan Amendment.
Columbia Heights		No Response	
Dept of Ag		No Response	
Dept of Health	Page 42-46; Local Water Plan Content Requirements; Table 6	Table 6, 3.b: Suggest referencing surface water intake protection plans in addition to wellhead protection plans. MDH commends MWMO on their inclusion of point source nonpoint source containment management strategies such as street sweeping and low salt design.	Thanks for the comments and commendation. We'll add reference to SWA and intake protection plans.
DNR		Copied on response from Megan Moore	
DNR		See memo: "The DNR appreciates the opportunity to review the 10-year Plan Amendments. The plan amendment and impressive slate of proposed capital improvement projects align well with DNR's goal that Minnesota's waters, natural lands, and diverse fish and wildlife habitats are conserved and enhanced."	Thanks! Will let you know if any questions/feedback.
Fridley		No Response	
Hennepin County		No Response	
Hilltop		No Response	
Lauderdale		No Comments	Thanks!
Lower Mississippi		No Response	

Met Council		The MWMO Minor Plan Amendment is consistent with Met Council policies and the Met Council's Water Policy Plan. [additional comments provided in memo]	MWMO's staff appreciates, the time you took to comment on the current 2025 Minor Plan Amendment. The edits you requested have been made and the MWMO Board will be approving the Amended WMP at their November 18th Board Meeting.
Minneapolis	Page 21; Executive Summary	The City does not have any specific comments on the proposed plan amendment. However, we do want to encourage the MWMO to further engage with local communities and community organizations when implementing their Equity Strategic Action Plan. The strategic goals are high level enough to support the MWMO's direction but specific actions around equity should be community driven.	We appreciate your comments and the time you took to review MWMO's Minor Plan amendment.
MPRB		No Response	
Minnehaha Creek		No Response	
MPCA		No Comments	Thank you for taking the time to review MWMO's Minor Plan Amendment.
Ramsey County	Pages 193-209; Capital Improvement Schedule	Does the MWMO have a cost participation policy for city/county/partner participation? Ramsey County's general cost participation policy is for partners to participate by contributing drainage area percentage to the stormwater BMP. Most of our water management organizations follow this metric. Some cities are pushing back on this contribution scale, so it might be helpful to define how the MWMO expects partners to come to the table.	The MWMO is a Joint Powers Watershed Management Organization (WMO). The MWMO is listed in MS 275.066 as a Special Taxing District. The MWMO raises funds by a property tax levy to complete water management under section 103B.211 and 103B.241. This annual levy is the primary source of revenue for the MWMO.
Rice Creek		see memo: "Overall, we applaud your transparent and organized approach to this plan update. The District looks forward to future collaborations where hydrologic and legal boundaries align and continued collaboration on neighboring parcels and regional projects."	Received, thanks! We'll let you know if any feedback.
Shingle Creek		1.The Shingle Creek and West Mississippi Watershed Commissions support the MWMO's intent to collaborate with the MPRB regarding the North Mississippi Regional Park Improvements and Camden Boat Launch project. The Shingle Creek and West Mississippi Watersheds have similar interest to support potential improvements within North Mississippi Regional Park. We note that North Mississippi Regional Park includes the Shingle Creek Watershed at the south, the Mississippi Watershed in the middle, and the West Mississippi Watershed in the north. See figure below.	We certainly value partnerships, and are looking forward to collaborating with MPRB, Met Council, the neighborhoods and the adjacent Watersheds on the North Mississippi Regional Park project.
St. Anthony		No Response	
St. Paul		No Comments	Sounds good. Thanks!
UMN		No Comments	Thanks.
MNDOT		No Response	



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Watershed Management Plan 2021-2031

Fourth Generation Plan: 2025 Amended Version

5-year Capital Improvement Project Schedule Update





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Fourth Generation Watershed Management Plan

Previous Versions

First Generation Plan: 1986

Second Generation Plan: 2000-2010

Third Generation Plan: 2011-2021

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Acknowledgements

This plan update is made through the combined efforts of all staff at the MWMO and input from interested individuals and partners from the watershed. The Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWMO) would like to thank individuals for participating in the MWMO Citizen Advisory Committee and the MWMO Board of Commissioners for their valuable input into the direction and content of this Watershed Management Plan.

Plan Approval and Adoption

This Amended MWMO Watershed Management Plan was approved by Board of Water and Soil Resources on October 20, 2025 and adopted by the MWMO Board of Commissioners on November 18, 2025. The initial 10-year Plan Update was approved by Board of Water and Soil Resources on September 22, 2021, and adopted by the MWMO Board of Commissioners on January 11, 2022.

The MWMO has worked closely over the years with the Towerside Innovation District, the City of Minneapolis and St. Paul to establish district stormwater systems that improve water quality, habitat, and emphasize reusing stormwater as a valued resource instead of a nuisance to be disposed of quickly. The MWMO will continue this work over the next 10 years finding ways to bring greater value to our member cities projects.

These environmental initiatives alone would be enough for any organization to take on, but we must also acknowledge we face more than just environmental issues. All governmental entities are being asked to take on deep systemic racism, cultivate diversity, promote equity and foster inclusion, and address aging stormwater infrastructure systems as well continue to develop and pay for new systems needed for future growth. As we move ahead, we are committing ourselves to finding a more restorative path forward that takes into consideration all the above issues.

Following the approval of this 10 year Plan, the MWMO will begin a more thorough planning process that results in equity and climate change plans or policy guidance that encompass all aspects of our organization. This planning process will invite those who would be impacted by the plans to participate in the process of developing them.

A history of systemic racism coupled with continued present-day infrastructure, land use and operations and maintenance patterns have brought to the forefront unresolved social, economic, and environmental issues of climate change. The inequities have had greater impacts on the black, indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) communities in the watershed. [MWMO's Equity Strategic Action Plan \(ESAP\) is located online and will continue to evolve.](#)

Site by site regulatory standards for redevelopment and the separation of public and private infrastructure systems to support it has unwittingly contributed to today's issues of climate change, inequity, and infrastructure debt. The MWMO will continue to work with its member cities on new district, regional and restorative infrastructure patterns. The MWMO will continue to pursue urban ecologic system improvements including enhancement of habitat corridors and reestablishment of native vegetation to better manage stormwater throughout the watershed.

Studies and work completed by the MWMO indicates that these extensive green and blue infrastructure corridors in public spaces may have multiple benefits including reduced crime rates, improved physical and mental health, cooling of the urban heat island, improved work place productivity, increased access to healthy food sources, improved social cohesion and community resilience, absorption of carbon emissions and other air pollutants, regained environmental and economic equity for neighborhoods, and lower long term maintenance costs.

The MWMO does not take on the long term operations and maintenance of the capital projects funded by the MWMO but not owned by MWMO. However, the MWMO will work with our partners to develop a future strategy that improves long term operations and maintenance of these projects. The MWMO has an interest in assuring that all projects, large or small, are maintained long term to achieve or exceed their designed performance for the lifecycle of the BMP's installed.

3.3. Local Water Plans: Content Requirements

Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.235 and Minnesota Rule 8410, discuss the particular requirements and format of a local water plan (see most recent version of MN Statutes and Rules). The MWMO is especially interested in problems identified in the local water plan and corrective actions that affect the MWMO concerns stated in this plan or that may require MWMO collaboration.

Member organizations may adopt by reference all, or part, of this plan. If a member organization does not adopt the plan, their local water plan must meet the requirements outlined in Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.235 and Minnesota Rule 8410 as well as the content in the MWMO’s **Table 6**. If a member organization partially adopts the MWMO Plan, then any requirements in the MWMO Plan not adopted must be completed and included in their local water plan, along with the content described in **Table 6**. Member organizations that adopt by reference all of the MWMO Plan into their local water plan also need to complete and include content elements found in **Table 6** in their local water plan.

Cities should use information currently available, including the Metropolitan Council’s Local Planning Handbook, to complete **Table 6** requirements. No new studies are required to provide the information requested in **Table 6**. Organizations only need to cite the source of information requested in **Table 6** if it is already a part of another organizational document. The table may require content that goes beyond what is requested by other agencies. However, if there is a conflict between another agency’s requirements and **Table 6** the MWMO will defer to the agency’s requirement. If available, each local water plan must contain the following information regarding the management of its water and natural resources.

Table 6: Additional MWMO Requirements for Local Water Plan Content

Water, Natural Resources, and Land Use Goals and Policies

1.	Include an executive summary that summarizes the highlights of the local water plan. Highlights may include local water plan goals, policies and implementation programs that address problems identified in the MWMO’s Plan (Focus Statements in Section 2.7); corrective actions that affect these MWMO concerns; and any actions requiring MWMO’s collaboration.
2.	Describe the city’s current water resource and ecosystem health-related problems and any problems that are expected to worsen or emerge over the next 10 years given the projected changes in the city’s growth and land use. Identify how MWMO can help address these problems through: implementation programs; monitoring or research needs; temporary maintenance activities associated with innovative projects; capital improvement programs; or where MWMO funding, technical expertise, project management assistance is desired.
3.	As a part of the Local Water Plan and City Comprehensive Plan development process, LGUs should carefully examine how water resources and ecosystems management and protection can be integrated into land use planning and development. The MWMO will look for each local plan to do the following:
a.	Describe how decisions on land use, regional water and natural resource needs are being reconciled to secure the greatest degree of long-term water resource and ecosystem protection (see 2.7 e.g. water quality and ecosystem health focus areas)
b.	Describe efforts to integrate Safe Drinking Water Act, Source Water Area protection plans, other pertinent wellhead and surface intake protection plans, as well as the protection of sensitive surface- and groundwater resources, into the local zoning code.

Infrastructure Assessments and Programs	
4.	Include a local implementation program that covers the term of the local water plan. The local implementation program must describe nonstructural, programmatic, and structural solutions to existing or potential water resource and ecosystem health-related problems identified by the city. The local implementation program shall include:
a.	Describe the existing and proposed physical environment and land use. Include wetlands, natural resources, and land conservation areas identified by the municipality
b.	Define drainage areas and the volumes, rates, and paths of stormwater runoff, including a map of the stormwater system.
c.	Include a stormwater system map that shows ponds, streams, lakes and wetlands that are part of your system; structural pollution control devices (grit chambers, separators, etc.) that are part of your system; pipes and pipe sizes and other conveyances in your system; and outfalls and all other points of discharge from your system that are outlets.
d.	Include a table that briefly describes each component of the implementation program and clearly details the schedule, estimated cost, and funding sources for each component including annual budget totals;
e.	Include a table for a capital improvement program that sets forth, by year, details of each contemplated capital improvement that includes the schedule, estimated cost, funding source and a description of the water quality protection methods used to meet the MWMO's Standards (Section 3.13).
f.	Provide a schedule and annual process for assessing the need for water resource-related capital improvement programs or projects in the city
g.	Clearly define the responsibilities of the local government unit from that of the MWMO and other entities for carrying out the implementation program components
MWMO Standards and Agency Regulations	
5.	Provide a summary of the member organization's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program and conformance with the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) for municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s) or summarize relevant plans and programs of the member organization that address:
a.	Inspection and maintenance plans (wet ponds, infiltration basins, raingardens, stormsewer systems, etc.)
b.	Street sweeping, right-of-way maintenance, road icing, salt storage, snow plowing, and snow storage programs
c.	Spill response and containment plans
d.	Identify who (e.g. private, city, state entities) is responsible for inspection, operation, and maintenance of all storm water infrastructure, public works facilities, and natural and artificial watercourses within in the MWMO's city boundaries.
6.	Describe your permitting process for land and wetland alteration work
7.	Identify city ordinances that address permitting, site review and enforcement processes for implementing MWMO Standards
8.	Describe how the city will comply with County groundwater plan requirements
9.	List any lakes within the city that are on the Metropolitan Council's Priority Waters List
10.	List any lakes within the city that are on MPCA's list of impaired waters
11.	<u>Identify how the City's LWMP will implement the chloride reduction and low salt design actions identified in the Metropolitan Council's Imagine 2050 Water Policy Plan</u>
12.	<u>Describe how the City assures infiltration rates are not too high, too low, or uneven throughout newly installed infiltration areas that are part of a permanent stormwater management systems</u>
13.	Summarize all Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) compliance requirements for the city

14. Summarize all current activities completed to date to comply with TMDL requirements
Surface Water Appropriations
15. Identify city administration of appropriations from small watercourses in accordance with MS 103B.211 Subd. 4
Evaluation
16. Identify how protections and improvements to water and natural resources will be measured through implementation of the local water plan

The member organizations should determine if other management programs are necessary to meet their local water plan goals and the goals of this plan.

The MWMO will discuss with each member organization the options that address its circumstances and will collaboratively determine the most practical approach to meeting the requirements of this plan and Minnesota Rules Chapter 8410. The MWMO understands the need to be sensitive to consistency with adjacent watershed districts and water management organizations. Coordination is required to successfully implement watershed standards and projects and maintain the integrity of the MWMO’s goals. The MWMO will work closely with cities as needed in local water plan preparation, review, and implementation. The MWMO will apply its goals, objectives, and policies to its review of local water plans.

3.4 General Compliance Requirements

1. Make Local Water Plans available at city offices and provide the MWMO an office reference copy.
2. The MWMO requires member cities to have a Department of Natural Resources-approved Floodplain Ordinance and a Department of Natural Resources approved Shoreline Ordinance. If no ordinance is applicable, the MWMO requires that there be no encroachment on floodways that results in reduced capacities or expedited flood flows. The only structures allowed in the flood zone are those that have been flood proofed and approved by the Department of Natural Resources.
3. Member cities are required to comply with TMDL requirements as required by their respective MS4 permits.
4. Member cities are required to address the following stormwater management and stormwater maintenance standards in a manner consistent with MWMO Standards, applicable TMDL, and NPDES standards for MS4s:
 - Target pollutant loads
 - Maximum allowable runoff rates (MWMO standard)
 - Design criteria for stormwater facilities to address target pollutant loads
 - Schedule for street sweeping, stormwater facility inspection, and maintenance
 - Spill containment and clean-up plan
5. Member cities are required to notify the MWMO of all pre-development plans requesting a variance from the MWMO’s Standards.
6. Member cities in Anoka, Hennepin, and Ramsey counties are required to carry out administration of appropriations from small watercourses in accordance with MS 103B.211 Subd. 4. unless an alternative agreement was established with the MWMO.

In 2002 the Board hired a full-time administrator and since then the organization has grown to a staff of fifteen full-time employees (FTEs). In addition to the 15 FTEs, the MWMO shares staff with its members through various memorandum of understanding or joint powers agreements for IT, accounting, financial management and HR services.

The MWMO will remain stable with respect to its staff numbers in the near term. As such, fluctuations in percentages spent on individual work areas will reflect primarily the MWMO shifting between activity areas to complete tasks central to planned MWMO actions. For example, with the completion of this Fourth Generation Plan, expenses in the program initiative areas of Planning and Watershed Assessments are likely to taper back and the Capital Project expenses will grow. Reviewing the Ten-Year Implementation Schedule for the program areas exemplify these projected shifts over the next ten years, with higher priorities noted around capital project related activities.

6.1 Capital Improvement Schedule

The MWMO Capital Improvement Schedule estimates the total project costs for MWMO capital projects over the next five years (Table 26). Besides the MWMO's property tax levy, funding sources for these projects may include cost-shares and grants from member cities and counties, grants from the MN Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR), the Metropolitan Council, the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund (RFL) Grants from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and others, noted in each CIP project description where applicable. The MWMO will continue to amend our plan as new capital projects are identified with our partners, to be implemented in years 2026 –2031. Projects found in **Table 26** and described below will not be contracted for without the completion of a feasibility study.

The MWMO does not take on the long-term operations and maintenance of the capital projects funded by the MWMO but not owned by MWMO. However, the MWMO will work with our member organizations and private landowners to establish a design, and long-term maintenance plan that reflect the abilities of our partners to maintain the long-term performance of the BMP's installed throughout their lifecycle.

All projects will require an operation and maintenance plan, which must include a description of personnel implementing the plan (noting any education and staff training needed), equipment needs, maintenance resources, an inspection schedule, and a maintenance budget. In addition, post construction performance testing of stormwater management practices installed may also be required.

The MWMO evaluates the net social, environmental, and economic outcomes of a design to assure what is built results in an equitable public benefit to the community. As a result, the infrastructure the MWMO models, designs, or builds related to: stormwater, flooding, and habitat focuses on bolstering those aspects of a community where historically and present day the greatest inequity exists.

The MWMO is continually assessing priority areas within the watershed for future capital projects and will update this schedule as studies are completed. The MWMO will continue to review the Capital Improvement Program minimally every 2 years for potential amendments.

The MWMO recommends that its staff and its member's staff work with one another on shared reviews of capital projects and planning efforts. Sharing staff expertise between the organizations will strengthen the connectivity and synergy between MWMO and members' capital projects and planning activities. Information on current and previously completed projects is available on the MWMO's website.

MWMO: Water Supply Improvements

MWMO will collaborate with Fridley, Columbia Heights, and Anoka County, to implement stormwater treatment practices which directly reduce the amount of contamination delivered to the Mississippi River via surface waters. Within the MWMO boundary, there are at least five major stormwater outfalls that drain directly into the Mississippi River north of the City of Minneapolis water supply intake. Treatment of these stormwater discharges has obvious benefits for the water quality supply chain in Minneapolis and the surrounding area.

MWMO: Street Sweeping as a Stormwater Quality Improvement Practice

MWMO will collaborate with member cities and MS4s to leverage municipal street sweeping operations as a stormwater quality improvement opportunity. MWMO will conduct this work as a multi-phase effort, in which member cities and MS4s will be surveyed for their current street sweeping practices, and a street sweeping optimization plan will be developed. A street sweeping optimization study, funded by a BWSR Watershed Based Implementation Fund grant, is currently underway. Future phases will involve the disbursement of grant funds to enhance street sweeping operations and monitor the impact of enhanced street sweeping operations on member MS4 progress towards meeting Mississippi River TMDLs.

MWMO – Regional and District Systems

MWMO will continue to be a pioneer in the establishment of regional and district stormwater treatment systems. These are systems that have expansive positive impacts on the quality of stormwater treatment across highly developed or developing areas within the MWMO boundary. These systems enable member MS4s, private business owners, and developers to access high quality stormwater treatment with stacked social and environmental benefits and self-sustaining funding mechanisms.

MWMO Towerside Innovation District

MWMO will focus Phase II efforts at the second section of Bridal Veil Park, make connections to and between the Glendale Public Housing Campus and Luxten Park, and expand on work already completed by the MWMO to establish a pocket park there. This is an example of work that the MWMO is conducting to further social and environmental equity goals.

St Anthony Village: St Anthony Regional Treatment Facility Retrofits

MWMO will facilitate a retrofit of the Sain Anthony Regional Treatment Facility (SARTF) to enhance the performance of an existing regional stormwater treatment facility based on lessons learned since

the construction of the treatment facility. In 2016, MWMO and the City of St. Anthony Village collaborated to construct the experimental treatment system which diverts and treats stormwater from approximately 600 acres of fully developed urban land. MWMO staff have been monitoring the facility since 2016 and have determined that the system has not been functioning to its full potential. A performance assessment was completed in 2025 to identify options for the improvement of the facility. An option for the enhancement of the existing facility will be implemented within the 5-year CIP period to ensure that the system continues to enhance regional water quality.

MWMO / RiverNorth Development District

Utilizing lessons learned from the Towerside Innovation District, MWMO will partner with developers to create and implement GSI systems in a redevelopment area adjacent to the Mississippi River and in the Northside Green Zone

Columbia Heights – Hilltop Stormwater Quality, Ecosystem, and Cultural Resource Improvements:

MWMO will collaborate with cities and neighborhood organizations to conduct work that significantly enhances water quality, urban wildlife habitat, and community activation in areas of high intercultural activity. In Columbia Heights and near the City of Hilltop are a number of potentially high impact projects in a phase of initial planning that meet these goals.

Sullivan Lake Water Quality Improvements:

MWMO will partner with the City of Columbia Heights to install stormwater treatment practices that reduce the amount of total phosphorous and total suspended solids reaching Sullivan Lake. Sullivan Lake (also known as Sandy Lake) is a shallow, 17-acre, lake encompassed by Sullivan Lake Park. Land uses around the lake include a mix of residential and commercial properties. The lake was listed as an impaired water in 2002 by the MPCA for nutrients and biological indicators. Sullivan Lake is one of five lakes in the MWMO watershed and represents an opportunity for the enhancement of water quality, community health and recreation, and urban wildlife habitat.

Columbia Heights: 800 53rd Ave NE – Redevelopment to High Density Residential:

MWMO will collaborate with the City of Columbia Heights and a private developer to integrate stormwater treatment practices within the design of the redevelopment of a site formerly occupied by the headquarters of a major medical device manufacturer. This site is situated within a high frequency transit corridor and cultural corridor of the MWMO and occupies a significant proportion of the Lake Sullivan shoreline. This makes the site an extremely lucrative place to construct stormwater treatment, public access to water and natural areas, and urban wildlife habitat enhancements.

Columbia Heights: 4300 Central Ave NE Mixed-Use Development

This 13-acre site is planned for re-development, offering both single and multi-family residential housing, a public market, and parkland. A feasibility study will be performed to explore mitigating nearby flooding and any other potential opportunities to create greater water quality improvements for the area. An essential feature to this development will be incorporating Jackson Pond which provides 100's of acres of existing flood mitigation.

Mississippi River Water Quality, Shoreline Habitat, and Public Access Improvements

The MWMO will work with its partners to consider the stabilization of riverbank sites that contribute sediment to the MWMO's reach of the Mississippi River, as well as to enhance shoreline habitat and public access to the River. Single projects that require multi-year funding would need to be amended into the CIP schedule as stand-alone projects. In addition to the below listed capital projects, the MWMO has identified opportunities for shoreline enhancements on Nicollet Island and Hennepin Island, and will continue to explore these and other opportunities to enhance island and riverbank systems within the Mississippi River.

East Riverfront, Minneapolis: Lowry Ave NE Water Quality Improvements

MWMO will partner with the City of Minneapolis and Hennepin County to integrate green stormwater infrastructure and regional stormwater treatment opportunities within construction and redevelopment projects that drain stormwater into Lowry Ave NE trunk stormsewer pipe. This work will include the evaluation and construction of options for pretreatment of stormwater entering the Lowry Sand Filter and options for the retrofit of the sand filter that will make it a more effective treatment structure. BWSR Watershed Based Implementation Funding will be used to fund a feasible study to identify regional stormwater treatment opportunities.

East Riverfront, Minneapolis: Marshall St NE Water Quality and Habitat Improvements:

MWMO will partner with the City of Minneapolis and Hennepin County to integrate green stormwater infrastructure and regional stormwater treatment opportunities within construction and redevelopment projects that drain stormwater into or across trunk stormsewer pipes in the vicinity of Marshall St NE. This project will include the evaluation and implementation of water quality improvements and expansion of habitat within corridors identified by the MPRB and MWMO, and is planned to occur in conjunction with the reconstruction of Marshall St NE.

East Riverfront, Minneapolis: Mississippi River Pedestrian Bridge and 1720 Marshall St NE Redevelopment

MWMO will collaborate with MPRB as opportunities arise to advance the redevelopment of Mississippi River shoreline owned by MPRB at 1720 Marshall St NE, Minneapolis, in a manner that supports enhances shoreline habitat and Mississippi River water quality, as well as the construction of the recreational bridge proposed by MPRB and a potential overlook area. The MPRB bridge will

cross the Mississippi River and connect recreational pathways from Marshall St NE to 26th Ave N, Minneapolis.

East Riverfront, Minneapolis: 2100 Marshall St NE Shoreline and Access Improvements

MWMO will partner with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) to improve ecological function and create public access to a 130ft segment of the Mississippi River shoreline extending north from Gluek Park in NE Minneapolis. This project advances the goals of the MWMO, advances MPRB's Above the Falls plan, and will connect two MPRB properties that are currently separated by a privately owned business.

East Riverfront, Minneapolis: Graco Park Expansion Water Quality, Habitat, and Public Riverfront Access Enhancement

MWMO will partner with MPRB and the City of Minneapolis to integrate stormwater, habitat, and community health opportunities within the redevelopment of a group of properties located between Graco Park and Broadway St NE. This is an opportunity for an expansion of public park and natural space along the Mississippi River and integration of natural and public resources with urban redevelopment.

East Riverfront, MWMO: Exeter and Silva on the River, Water Quality and Shoreline Improvements

MWMO will partner with MPRB and a private developer to enhance stormwater treatment and Mississippi River shoreline habitat and public access at a residential redevelopment near the former Grain Belt Brewing complex in NE Minneapolis.

East Riverfront, MPRB: Hennepin Island Rehabilitation Project

Hennepin Island is the secluded park space between the Stone Arch Bridge and the East Falls below Father Hennepin Bluff. It is a riverine landscape of high potential ecological richness although the landscape integrity is currently degraded. Public access is very challenging and accomplished by stairways, only one of the original two of which is in service. The stairs link to a system of loop trails and ped bridges. The proposed project will rehabilitate all existing amenities and natural resources as well as make access and security upgrades. The natural resource work will include native landscape installation, shoreline rehabilitation, ecological interpretive features and environmental quality monitoring.

West Riverfront, MWMO/MPRB/Minneapolis: Upper Harbor Terminal

The Minneapolis Upper Harbor Terminal (UHT) is a 50-acre redevelopment site located along the west bank of the Mississippi River in North Minneapolis. The MWMO will seek to implement regional and district-scale stormwater opportunities in conjunction with redevelopment at the UHT. The MWMO will work with willing landowners to evaluate the opportunity for innovative stormwater

practices along the roadways, railway and utility corridors, private development sites, public right of ways, and on Minneapolis Park Board land. Stormwater designs will work to create added-value (e.g. stormwater reuse and improved ecosystem services) from the significant volume of stormwater that passes thru the UHT area from North Minneapolis. The project will utilize historic sites, complement existing and future land uses, improve ecosystem services, and provide bank and shoreline habitat restoration.

West Riverfront, Minneapolis: Owámmniyomni at the Upper Lock

MWMO will partner with Owámmniyomni Okhódayapi, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB), and other public and private entities to support the Indigenous-led reclamation and transformation of the five-acre Upper Lock site. The project vision is to restore ecological function, cultural landscapes, and public access at this historically significant location on the West Riverfront, which has been closed to the public since 1959. Future work will focus on habitat restoration, water quality improvements, and reconnecting communities to the Falls through Dakota leadership, education, and interpretation. This project will advance MWMO's goals while honoring the sovereignty of Dakota Tribal Nations and creating a model for collaborative land and mill race restoration.

West Riverfront, Minneapolis: North Mississippi Regional Park Improvements and Camden Boat Launch

MWMO will collaborate with MPRB to enhance Mississippi River shoreline wildlife habitat and public access points to the river within and near North Mississippi Regional Park, including the construction of a boat launch near the north end of Upper Harbor Terminal in the Camden neighborhood of North Minneapolis.

Minneapolis South Side Green Zone – St. Mary's Subwatershed:

MWMO will conduct tightly collaborative work within the South Side Green Zone of Minneapolis and surrounding neighborhoods, focused on improving the quality of stormwater discharged to the Mississippi River from drainage areas crossing Hiawatha Avenue and Riverside Avenue. Partners in this area include the Little Earth Residents' Association at the Little Earth of United Tribes, City of Minneapolis, MPRB, Hennepin County, and MnDOT. There are a significant number of transportation and park projects planned for this area, and MWMO plans to leverage these opportunities to enhance the services provided to historically marginalized communities in the area.

Little Earth Reuse Project – Cedar Avenue

MWMO will collaborate with the Little Earth community, the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, and MnDOT to incorporate stormwater treatment and reuse within community-driven street and park redevelopment efforts. This project is centered on a reuse system that will be built as part of

Hennepin County’s reconstruction of Cedar Avenue / Country Road 152 in the East Phillips Neighborhood.

Southside Greenzone – St. Mary’s Subwatershed Stormwater Quality Improvements

MWMO will collaborate with the Little Earth community, City of Minneapolis, Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA), MPRB, Hennepin County, and MnDOT to implement community-driven water reuse, stormwater quality, and urban greening projects within the East Phillips, Cedar-Riverside, and Seward neighborhoods. This work includes the installation of green stormwater infrastructure along 18th Ave S in East Phillips during the reconstruction of the street.

MWMO/Minneapolis Public Schools: Green Campus Investments and River Connections

MWMO will build on existing relationships with the Minneapolis Public School District (MPS) to expand the installation of green stormwater infrastructure and stormwater reuse systems in MPS facilities. This work will increase the volume of stormwater treated and reused at Thomas Edison High School and capitalize on new opportunities for stormwater treatment and education at Nellie Stone Johnson Elementary School. These schools are anchors for the Mississippi River access corridors and habitat connectors, 26th Ave N & 22nd Ave NE. Included in the Green Campus will be deeply affordable housing connected to the district stormwater management system and a training area for youth focused on stormwater BMP maintenance with the Spark-Y program. MWMO anticipates supplementing funds for these projects with grants from the Minnesota DEED as well as Brownfields RLF Grants from the EPA.

Table 26: MWMO Capital Improvement Schedule 2026-2031

<u>MWMO Capital Improvement Project Groups</u>		<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>		<u>Total funding</u>
<u>MWMO Enhanced Street Sweeping</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>\$1,000,000</u>
<u>MWMO Water Supply Improvements</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>\$1,600,000</u>
<u>Minneapolis - District Systems</u>								
	<u>St Anthony Village: St Anthony Regional Treatment Facility Retrofit</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>					<u>TBD</u>
	<u>Towerside Innovation District Habitat, Reuse, Water Quality, and Restorative Improvements</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>\$2,000,000</u>

	<u>RiverNorth Development District</u>							<u>TBD</u>
<u>Columbia Heights – Fridley – Hilltop</u>								
	<u>800 53rd Avenue NE - Redevelopment to High Density Residential (Columbia Heights & Medtronic)</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>TBD</u>
	<u>Columbia Heights: 4300 Central Ave NE Mixed-Use Development (Rainbow Foods Site)</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>\$2,000,000</u>
	<u>Columbia Heights: Sullivan Lake Water Quality Improvements</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>\$2,000,000</u>
<u>Minneapolis – East Riverfront</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				
	<u>MWMO: Lowry Ave NE Water Quality Improvements</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>					<u>\$800,000</u>
	<u>MWMO: Marshall St NE Pipesheds Water Quality and Habitat Improvements</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>\$1,600,000</u>
	<u>MPRB/MWMO: Mississippi River Pedestrian Bridge and 1720 Marshall St NE Redevelopment</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>TBD</u>
	<u>MWMO/MPRB: 2100 Marshall St NE Shoreline Improvement</u>	<u>X</u>						<u>TBD</u>
	<u>MWMO: Graco Headquarters, Minneapolis, Water Quality Treatments, Habitat, and Park Expansion</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>\$500,000</u>
	<u>MWMO: Exeter and Silva on the River, Water Quality and Shoreline Improvements</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>TBD</u>

	MPRB/MWMO: Hennepin Island Rehabilitation Project				X	X		<u>\$3,000,000</u>
<u>Minneapolis – West Riverfront</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	MWMO/MPRB/Mpls: Upper Harbor Terminal	X	X	X	X	X		<u>\$8,000,000</u>
	<u>Owámniyomni at the Upper Lock</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>			<u>TBD</u>
	<u>MWMO/MPRB: North Mississippi Regional Park and Camden Boat Launch Improvements</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>\$200,000</u>
<u>Minneapolis – South Side Green Zone – St. Mary’s Subwatershed</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	<u>Cedar Avenue - Little Earth Reuse Project</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>TBD</u>
<u>Green Campus Improvements and River Connections</u>								<u>\$6,000,000</u>
	<u>Minneapolis Public Schools Thomas Edison High School and Spark-Y Training Area</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>				<u>TBD</u>
	<u>Minneapolis Public Schools Nellie Stone Johnson Elementary School Stormwater Treatment and Training Opportunities</u>			<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>TBD</u>
<u>Grand Total</u>								<u>\$28,700,000</u>

Note: A feasibility study of the project and the MWMO’s funding guidelines will determine what aspects of the project may be funded. MWMO Board will review and approve all final project budgets and agreements.

Funding amounts for the capital improvement projects do not include diagnostic and feasibility study costs. These costs are a part of the annual budget for the Watershed Assessments. Any significant changes (15 to 25% increase) to the estimated project costs will be reported by the MWMO in their annual report to the Board of Water and Soil Resources and included in the MWMO’s annual budget meeting which is open for public comment. Projects exceeding 25% of their budgeted cost will require a minor amendment. The



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Agenda Item: Office Maintenance/Furniture Upgrade

Presenter: Kevin Reich

Meeting Date: 18 November 2025

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 18 November 2025

Background (Attach Supporting Documents as needed)

Approval is requested for payment to Continua in the amount of \$35,605.64 with a 10% contingency to cover any unforeseen changes/additions, not-to-exceed \$39,166.20, for the procurement and installation of upgraded office furniture and desks, including modular reconfiguration to enhance workspace functionality, as detailed in ATT 6.3.1 Continua Proposal and ATT 6.3.2 Continua Floor Plan.

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2023-031

A RESOLUTION APPROVING OFFICE MAINTENANCE AND FURNITURE UPGRADES

WHEREAS, MWMO owns and maintains an office building for public and administrative purposes;
and

WHEREAS, building maintenance and upgrades have been budgeted for ongoing needs; and

WHEREAS, the current staffing and administrative functions required identified modifications; and

WHEREAS, these changes have been designed by Continua (formerly Intereum) who designed
original layout; and

WHEREAS, the attached proposed amount of \$35,605.64 will cover the work identified with a 10%
contingency to cover any unforeseen changes/additions; and

WHEREAS, MWMO has reserved approximately \$340,000 for ongoing building related expenses;
and

WHEREAS, staff recommend the Board of Commissioners approve payment for the work to
proceed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners approve a not-to-
exceed amount of \$39,166.20 to pay for the improvements to the MWMO office and authorizes
MWMO staff to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the resolution.

Adopted this the 18th day of November, 2025.

Review for the Board: _____

Connie Buesgens, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Kevin Reich, Executive Director



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bill to: Mississippi Watershed Management
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install: Mississippi Watershed Management
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ATTN: Accounts Payable
 Phone: 612-465-8780
 Email: contacts@mwmo.org

ATTN: Akadia Johnson
 Phone: 612-746-4982
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group	description	qty	unit price	extended amount
Additional Fees	Tariff & Surcharges	1.0	\$1,004.62	\$1,004.62

Install	Continua Interiors Installation Services	1.0	\$2,698.07	\$2,698.07
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Tech	Continua Interiors Technical Design Time	1.0	\$2,128.00	\$2,128.00
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Individual Items \$29,774.95

line	description	qty	unit price	extended amount
1	MillerKnoll AS1SA23AA--AJ-65-BB-63-63-8R-36 +Wk Chair, Suspension Mid-Back, Assembled,standard- height range,tilt limiter & seat angle,fully adj arms,adj seat depth AJ:+adjustable lumbar support 65:+fog with studio white Y-Tower BB:+2 1/2" hard caster, black yoke, carpet only 63:+fog 63:+fog 8R:+twist-Pr Cat 2 36:+twist midnight blue Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$767.00	\$2,301.00
2	MillerKnoll DU6ACS.2484ME--NNP-SUD-125-125-MS-PSC-NNN-57 @Renew Rectangle Table w/ C-Foot,sq-edge,24" d (23" surf size),84" w (82" surf size),thermally-fused lam top/ thermoplastic edge,electric std range NNP:@no power access SUD:@simple up down 125:@natural maple (CP) 125:@natural maple (CP) MS:@metallic silver leg with metallic silver foot PSC:@simple cable NNN:@no cutout 57:@glides Tag: DU6AC84X24X1.25 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	4	\$1,662.12	\$6,648.48



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3	MillerKnoll FT110.4636A +Frame,46" h,36" w,open base, tapered ft Tag: 46/36A BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	7	\$100.08	\$700.56
4	MillerKnoll FT112.36AP--MS +Frame Top Cap,36" w,std,painted MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: A BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	8	\$19.44	\$155.52
5	MillerKnoll FT112.48AP--MS +Frame Top Cap,48" w,std,painted MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: A BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$23.40	\$23.40
6	MillerKnoll FT121.246 +90° 1/2 Universal Con,2 way, 90° 1/2 or 180° 1/2,for 46H frames & low Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$32.40	\$97.20
7	MillerKnoll FT123.246AP--MS +90° 1/2 Con Cover,2 sides covered,46" h,open base, tapered ft,painted MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: 2/46A BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$30.24	\$90.72
8	MillerKnoll FT126.2AP--MS +90° 1/2 Con Top Cap,for 2 frame top caps, 90° 1/2,painted MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: 2A BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$16.92	\$50.76
9	MillerKnoll FT128.46 +Frame-to-Frame Connection Hardware,46" h Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$14.04	\$14.04



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10	MillerKnoll FT144.06--LZ +Pwr Entry, Internal Direct Connect, 4 Circ,6' I LZ:+PVC-free Tag: 6 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$104.76	\$314.28
11	MillerKnoll FT152.24--LZ +Pwr Harness, Low Power/Data Tile,24" w LZ:+PVC-free Tag: PH/L BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$90.72	\$90.72
12	MillerKnoll FT152.36--LZ +Pwr Harness, Low Power/Data Tile,36" w LZ:+PVC-free Tag: PH/L BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$97.20	\$291.60
13	MillerKnoll FT154.2--LZ +Pwr Jumper,36" I LZ:+PVC-free Tag: OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$53.64	\$53.64
14	MillerKnoll FT160.46AP--MS +Fin End,46" h,open base, tapered ft,painted MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: 46A BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$30.24	\$30.24
15	MillerKnoll FT167.36A--CL +Tile Trim, Wall Strip,36" w,top/mid-level low tile trim CL:+cool grey neutral Tag: 36 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$68.04	\$68.04
16	MillerKnoll FT167.42A--CL +Tile Trim, Wall Strip,42" w,top/mid-level low tile trim CL:+cool grey neutral Tag: 42 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$70.92	\$70.92



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17	MillerKnoll FT167.48B--CL +Tile Trim, Wall Strip,48" w,top/base-level low tile trim CL:+cool grey neutral Tag: 48 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$33.84	\$33.84
18	MillerKnoll FT170.3036P--7N-MS +Low Tile,30" h,36" w,painted 7N:+grass (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$93.96	\$93.96
19	MillerKnoll FT170.3036P--7N-MS +Low Tile,30" h,36" w,painted 7N:+grass (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	9	\$93.96	\$845.64
20	MillerKnoll FT170.3036P--B4-MS +Low Tile,30" h,36" w,painted B4:+blue medium (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	2	\$57.96	\$115.92
21	MillerKnoll FT170.3048P--B4-MS +Low Tile,30" h,48" w,painted B4:+blue medium (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$65.52	\$65.52
22	MillerKnoll FT171.3036A--7N-MS-CL +Low Power/Data Tile,painted,30" h,36" w,power/data cut above wk surf 7N:+grass (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) CL:+cool grey neutral Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$113.04	\$113.04



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23	MillerKnoll FT171.3036A--B4-MS-CL +Low Power/Data Tile,painted,30" h,36" w,power/data cut above wk surf B4:+blue medium (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) CL:+cool grey neutral Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$77.04	\$77.04
24	MillerKnoll FT171.3036C--B4-MS-CL +Low Power/Data Tile,painted,30" h,36" w,power/data cut below wk surf B4:+blue medium (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) CL:+cool grey neutral Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$77.04	\$77.04
25	MillerKnoll FT175.1136T--MS-MS +Rail Tile,11" h,36" w,top MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	2	\$110.52	\$221.04
26	MillerKnoll FT175.1136T--MS-MS +Rail Tile,11" h,36" w,top MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	2	\$110.52	\$221.04
27	MillerKnoll FT175.1148T--MS-MS +Rail Tile,11" h,48" w,top MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	2	\$129.60	\$259.20
28	MillerKnoll FT181.1136P--B4-MS +Upper Tile,11" h,36" w,painted B4:+blue medium (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$33.48	\$33.48



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29	MillerKnoll FT181.1136P--B4-MS +Upper Tile, 11" h, 36" w, painted B4:+blue medium (non-promote) MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	10	\$33.48	\$334.80
30	MillerKnoll FT181.1142T--91-ZMA-02 +Upper Tile, 11" h, 42" w, tackable fabric 91:+white (CP) ZMA:@metaphor-Pr Cat 2 02:+metaphor moonflower Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$52.20	\$52.20
31	MillerKnoll FT190.46 +Wall Start, 46" h Tag: 46 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$37.08	\$37.08
32	MillerKnoll FT191.79--UBK +Wall Strip, 79" h UBK:+ultra black (CP) Tag: 79 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	2	\$40.68	\$81.36
33	MillerKnoll FTS10.2448LS--125-125 +Rect Surf, sq-edge, 24" d, 48" w, high-pressure lam top/ thermoplastic edge, no brackets, for freestd or use w/ low crdnz 125:+natural maple (CP) 125:+natural maple (CP) Tag: 24/48 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	4	\$157.68	\$630.72
34	MillerKnoll FV2A2.24FL--MS +Open Support Leg, Arch Foot, 24" d, fixed ht, lf MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: OS24 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$230.76	\$692.28
35	MillerKnoll FV2A2.24FR--MS +Open Support Leg, Arch Foot, 24" d, fixed ht, rt MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: OS24 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$230.76	\$230.76



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36	MillerKnoll FV2A2.2AFS--MS +Open Support Leg, Arch Foot,12" deep, shared, fixed ht,shared MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) Tag: OS2A BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	4	\$141.48	\$565.92
37	MillerKnoll FV43S.F815422FG03--125-8Q-125 @OH Stg Cabinet, Sliding Doors,Canvas frame connection, 15" h,42" w,2 full sliding dr,thermally-fused lam case/glass dr, 3/8" thermally-fused lam thin top 125:@natural maple (CP) 8Q:@folkstone grey (CP) 125:@natural maple (CP) Tag: OH/SD42 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$1,335.96	\$1,335.96
38	MillerKnoll HZ120.75361--SNA +OE1 Agile Wall, Frame w/ Glides, for Full Ht Shelves,75" h, 36" w,frame for full shelving SNA:+satin aluminum Tag: H75/60 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$1,166.38	\$3,499.14
39	MillerKnoll HZ160.36L--125-125 +OE1 Agile Wall, Full Ht Shelves,36" w,high-pressure laminate/thermoplastic edge 125:+natural maple (CP) 125:+natural maple (CP) Tag: BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	3	\$446.01	\$1,338.03
40	MillerKnoll HZ320S.2333L04ES--SKS-J-91-125-125-8Q +OE1 Micro Pack, 4-Pack,sq-edge,23" d,33" w,high-pressure lam top/thermoplastic edge,3/4" thick,electric,surf clamp SKS:+rounded simple switch J:+1 simplex receptacle, 1 powered USB-A/USB-C combo 91:+white (CP) 125:+natural maple (CP) 125:+natural maple (CP) 8Q:+folkstone grey (CP) Tag: 23/33LS BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$5,397.50	\$5,397.50



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41	MillerKnoll HZ330.1433--8Q +OE1 Micro Pack Privacy Screen, Single/4-Pack,14" h (from top of surf to top of screen),33" w 8Q:+folkstone grey (CP) Tag: 14/33 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	4	\$267.27	\$1,069.08
42	MillerKnoll HZ350.1--1HS-02 +OE1 Micro Pack Screen Liner,liner for single micro pack or 4-pack micro pack 1HS:+hush-Pr Cat 4 02:+hush pesto Tag: 1SL BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	4	\$177.43	\$709.72
43	MillerKnoll LG890.120--3SL-13 +Pedestal Add-On Cush Top,1" h,20" d 3SL:@sequel-Pr Cat 2 13:+sequel slate grey Tag: CUSH/20 BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$91.68	\$91.68
44	MillerKnoll LQ11H.20BF--SB-SS-MS-91-KC-NH-5M-H1 @Arc Pull Mobile Pedestal,high-pressure lam w/ thermo edge, 20" d,BF SB:+full-extension ball-bearing SS:+smooth paint on smooth steel MS:+metallic silver (non-promote) 91:+white (CP) KC:+keyed differently, chrome NH:+brushed nickel 5M:+pencil tray in box drawer, 2 file converters in file drawer H1:+hand grip only Tag: M/BF BNR482 - OMNIA Partners Municipal/Basic Installation	1	\$550.84	\$550.84

subtotal	\$35,605.64
total order	\$35,605.64
required down payment	\$17,802.82

To pay via ACH please contact armn@continuainteriors.com or to pay by credit card please visit our client portal on our website continuainteriors.com

Your order may be subject to additional tariffs or customs fees. These charges are the responsibility of the buyer and are due upon final invoice.



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Financing Options For Your Consideration

We are pleased to offer the following finance proposal to help facilitate the acquisition of your new furniture solution. Our goal is to offer the best possible payment structure to meet your current and ongoing financing needs. We can provide a wide range of financing options and customized terms. Below, you will find the monthly payment amount for this proposal, for the typical 60 month term. This proposed financing is subject to credit approval by LEAF Commercial Capital, Inc. or its affiliates and the execution of mutually acceptable lease documentation. Does not include applicable sales tax. If you are interested in learning more about this option, please contact your Continua Interiors representative.

Total Monthly Payment Amount: \$ 737.04



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GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS OF SALE

The following General Terms and Conditions of Sale apply to the product and service order placed by the undersigned BUYER with Continua Interiors of Minnesota, LLC.

1. Purchase Orders

- a. If purchase orders are required, BUYER must provide copies of the purchase orders at the time of ordering product or services from CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC.
- b. The prices quoted by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC in the Proposal are valid for 30 days from the date of the Proposal, provided that should a manufacturer or third-party service provider increase the price of a product, CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC may increase the price to BUYER by an amount up to such increase. These Terms and Conditions shall continue in effect until the completion of all work under the Proposal.

2. Down Payment

- a. A down payment of 50% of the order total is required for orders over \$10,000.
- b. Any down payments required by the manufacturer more than 50% shall be required of the BUYER before the order is placed.

3. Invoicing

- a. After down payment, the remaining balance will be invoiced when project installation is substantially complete, as determined by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC.
- b. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC reserves the right to send progress billings for installations and product orders that take more than one week. Any product being held (i) at BUYER's request or (ii) because the installation site is not yet ready for installation, will be invoiced in full upon CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC receipt of the same. Payments are to be made in accordance with the terms in Section 5.

4. Taxes

- a. Any manufacturer's tax, occupation tax, use tax, sales tax, excise tax, value-added tax, duty, custom, inspection, tariff or testing fee, or any other tax, fee or charge of any nature whatsoever imposed by any governmental authority, on or measured by the transaction between CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC and BUYER shall be paid by BUYER in addition to the prices quoted or invoiced. In the event CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC is required to pay any such tax, fee or charge, BUYER shall reimburse CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC therefore; or in lieu of such payment, BUYER shall provide CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC at the time the order is submitted with an exemption certificate or other document acceptable to the authority imposing the same. Should CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC, in its sole discretion, determine that the exemption document provided by BUYER does not clearly meet the requirements of the authority imposing a tax, BUYER hereby agrees to pay such tax in full.

5. Payment

- a. All payments for project completion or progressive invoices are due per payment terms on the invoice. BUYER may hold up to 10% retainage for uncompleted installation, or an amount equal to the selling price of any backordered or undelivered merchandise.
- b. Payment may not be withheld for any product not delivered due to (i) BUYER's request or (ii) the installation site not being ready for installation.
- c. Title to the merchandise passes to the BUYER when the full purchase price and all other charges under this agreement are paid in full.
- d. Balances past due shall bear interest payable to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC at a rate of 1.5% per month of simple interest.
- e. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC shall retain, and BUYER hereby grants, a security interest in the goods sold hereunder, until BUYER has completed payment of the purchase price, plus accrued interest, and fully performed all the other terms and conditions hereof. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC shall be entitled, and BUYER hereby authorizes CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC, without further action of BUYER, to prepare and file one or more Financing Statements pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code to evidence this lien in form satisfactory to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC (and the Proposal, these Terms and Conditions and any purchase orders each may serve as a security agreement for that purpose). The goods covered hereby shall remain strictly personal property, irrespective of the mode of its attachment to realty, the consequences of its being disturbed or removed, or the use made of it. BUYER shall maintain the goods covered hereby in good condition and repair and not permit its value to be impaired. BUYER shall not sell, mortgage, pledge or otherwise deal in or encumber the goods or any part of it or permit it to be removed from the place where first installed, for so long as any amounts under these Terms and Conditions remains unpaid, without CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S prior written consent.
- f. If the BUYER defaults on payment, CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC after 180 days from the invoice date may repossess the merchandise.

6. Credit Cards

- a. For orders transacted via credit card, a processing fee of 3.5% of the total order amount will be applied. This fee covers the costs associated with credit card transactions. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC accepts Visa, MasterCard, and American Express credit cards.



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7. Changes, Cancellations, and Returns

- a. The order to which these General Terms apply may not be changed or canceled, nor products returned except in the event of non-conforming goods, in whole or in part, by the BUYER without CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S written consent.
- b. The BUYER agrees in all respects to the price and terms set forth in the order, and acknowledges that a modification may only be made by a written Change Order signed by both parties.
- c. A written Change Order may include revised product costs, restocking fees and any other associated costs.

8. Shipments, Deliveries, Freight, and Claims

- a. All product shipments are made to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC or shipped directly from the manufacturer to the BUYER, as determined by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC shall not be held responsible for damages or delays due to an act or circumstance that is outside of CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S control. Partial shipments may be necessary and are at the discretion of the manufacturer. Freight charges incurred by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will be invoiced to BUYER. Claims for transportation damage will be BUYER'S responsibility if BUYER receives merchandise directly from the manufacturer.
- b. BUYER is responsible for insurance coverage for loss of product due to damage or theft of product beginning when product is received at the job site.
- c. A shipping or fuel surcharge may be applied to an order to cover the market fluctuations in fuel prices.
- d. Shipping and freight charges are subject to change.

9. Documentation/Drawings/Field Measurements

- a. The contract documents may consist of this agreement, a scope of work (SOW), shop drawings, elevations, pricing, formal line drawings and other project related documentation required to complete the project.
- b. Field measuring may be required prior to shop drawing submission and final plan signoff. BUYER plan review and signoff is required prior to placement of any modular wall, AV, millwork, electrical/low voltage installation or custom furniture application. All field verifications will be noted on shop drawings for BUYER signoff.

10. Warehouse Receiving and Storage

- a. If product is shipped to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S warehouse, CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will receive, inspect, and store for up to 30 days. After 30 days, storage charges may be assessed for product held in CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S warehouse.
- b. Storage fees, using current market rates based on storage location, may be quoted and applied if a BUYER'S job site is not ready for a scheduled delivery, or the BUYER modifies the schedule after a delivery acknowledgment does not allow CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC to delay product delivery. There are no storage fees for conditions or circumstances related to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC performance.

11. Postponement Storage and Labor Costs

- a. In the event BUYER requests postponement of agreed upon delivery of goods to BUYER'S site, CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC may at its option receive and store product at additional cost to the BUYER, or in the instance of a direct shipment to BUYER, transfer the goods to storage for the BUYER'S account and at the BUYER'S risk and expense. Such a transfer to storage shall be deemed delivery to the BUYER for all purposes, including invoicing and payment for product only.
- b. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will bill the published rates listed in this agreement or prevailing industry rates for storage.
- c. BUYER'S insurance company will be responsible for any loss of product due to theft or damage incurred while product is stored at a BUYER'S on-site or off-site facility.



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12. Maintenance and Repair; Warrantees

- a. All product is guaranteed according to manufacturers' published warranties only. BUYER acknowledges receipt of all manufacturers' warranty documentation, cleaning instructions with cleaning product recommendations, and maintenance information, for all products purchased. BUYER further acknowledges that it is responsible for all post-installation cleaning and maintenance of products, that use of unapproved cleaning products or improper cleaning or maintenance practices may void manufacturer's warranties, and that any post-installation product damage resulting from use of unapproved cleaning products, improper cleaning or maintenance practices, or any other cause is not CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S responsibility. In no event will CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC be responsible for any post-installation damage to products, whether resulting from BUYER's use of unapproved cleaning products, improper maintenance practices, or other cause.
- b. BUYER'S SOLE REMEDY FOR ANY PRODUCT DEFECT OR DAMAGE WILL BE UNDER THE MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTY, IF ANY, AND CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC WILL HAVE NO OBLIGATION TO ASSIST BUYER IN CONNECTION WITH ANY MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTY CLAIMS. In the event BUYER requests CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC to perform any repairs or maintenance not covered by warranty, CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will provide those services at its current hourly rate plus applicable trip charges.
- c. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC MAKES NO WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR THAT THE PRODUCTS OR ITS SERVICES WILL BE FIT FOR ANY PARTICULAR OR UNUSUAL USE. IN NO EVENT WILL CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC BE LIABLE TO THE BUYER FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES.
- d. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC offers a 90-day workmanship warranty on all projects. Warranty does not cover environmental, BUYER network, defective products or BUYER driven changes that are considered outside of the original scope of work (SOW). Owner Furnished Equipment (OFE) warranty service is not included in this agreement.

DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION TERMS & CONDITIONS OF SALE

13. Delivery & Installation

- a. The BUYER agrees that the space will be complete and ready for product installation, and that CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will have free and clear access to the space. The BUYER also acknowledges that they will have official occupancy of the space the product is being delivered.
- b. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will inform BUYER of an estimated date of delivery ("Estimated Delivery Date") when CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC receives an estimated shipping date from its supplier or manufacturer. The Estimated Delivery Date is not a guaranteed delivery date. BUYER recognizes and acknowledges that the Estimated Delivery Date is merely an estimate and is subject to change by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC or the manufacturer without notice.
- c. Additional fees and/or trip charges may apply if the BUYER's site is not complete and ready for installation. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will document any additional fees in a change order.

14. Normal Business Hours

- a. If included in the scope of services and specifically itemized in the proposal, delivery and installation work will be performed during normal business hours--7:00am-3:30pm--Monday through Friday unless other specific agreements are made in writing and included with CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S proposal.
- b. Installation done after normal business hours, on weekends, or on holidays will be subject to an additional overtime premium charge and subject to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S acceptance, unless such agreement was specifically agreed to in the final proposal.
- c. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC overtime rates are 1.5X the published hourly rates Monday-Friday and 2.0X the published hourly rate Saturday and Sunday. Any change orders or work order changes must be in writing and signed by both parties prior to performance of any modified services by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC.

15. Labor

- a. If trade regulations enforced at the time and place of installation require the use of tradesmen at the site other than CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S own installation personnel or subcontractor, BUYER will pay any resulting additional costs.



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16. Electrical/Low Voltage/Network Systems Hookup

- a. A licensed electrician may be required to install electrical products including outlets, tasklights and connections to base building power. If CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC determines that an electrician is required, BUYER will be responsible for contracting and paying all costs of the electrician and the electrical installation.
- b. Low voltage vendor and coordination will be managed by BUYER unless included in the CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC work order or scope of work.
- c. Access to power, lighting and low voltage will be documented and available.
- d. Adequate and functioning network access along with permissions will be granted to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC to install and test electrical and Audio-Visual installed products.
- e. Software licenses provided by the BUYER, such as Microsoft Teams, Zoom, WebEx and others, which is required and called out in the scope of work (SOW) will need to be registered and ready to be activated prior to installation.
- f. BUYER will provide access and Vendor contacts for PBX, SIP UC and phone systems if required.
- g. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC is not responsible for any underground trenching or installation for outside wiring.
- h. Any schedule change caused by BUYER's failure to complete defined IT configuration steps by the agreed date will necessitate BUYER executing a change order for payment of labor time lost or unable to be utilized before work will be rescheduled.
- i. Rescheduled installations due to BUYER's failure to complete IT configuration steps are subject to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S labor availability. CONTUNIA INTERIORS is not responsible for the additional costs BUYER may incur due to these delays in installation.
- j. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC is not responsible for client network readiness. All end points are required to be patched in prior to AV installation.

17. Installation

- a. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S installers will be responsible for clearing all product packing materials at the site, cleaning the product they installed, and noting any warranty work or parts needed during a final walk-through inspection with the BUYER.
- b. BUYER is responsible for providing access to recycling and garbage removal created by the delivery and installation of this proposal. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC will work with the site contact to determine where to dispose of said garbage and recycling.
- c. If CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC is required to remove them from the site, charges may incur for disposal and labor unless noted in proposal.

18. Job Site Conditions & Services

- a. All quotes are based upon BUYER's job site being "Site Ready" prior to product delivery. Site Ready is defined as: clean, clear of all obstructions, and free of debris, and all painting, carpet, data cabling and ceilings are fully complete. Charges will be assessed to BUYER for excessive handling, storage and transportation incurred because of site conditions, activity of other trades, or other reasons not specifically identified in the quotation, at standard hourly rates, or at actual charges, if labor is performed by a third party.
- b. The BUYER will insure at its expense that the job site is ready to accept furniture and/or audio visual equipment with construction complete (ceiling grid and tile in, wall covering/paint done, carpet and baseboard finished, electrical/data work done, etc.) and the space free of trades (punch list trades only), as well as clean and free of debris.
- c. BUYER will furnish electrical current, heating, lighting, trash disposal containers, hoisting and/or elevator services, and suitable unobstructed dock space, moving and staging areas at the job site without charge to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC. If CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC is required to remove or handle existing furniture or audio-visual equipment, the additional cost of moving, handling and transporting shall be billed to BUYER on an hourly basis. Once the installation has begun, BUYER agrees to assume any expense incurred by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC due to such changes made at BUYER's request or for any reason beyond CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S control.

19. Loss or Damage

- a. After the product is delivered to the BUYER's site, any loss or damage by weather, other trades such as painting or plastering, fire or other elements, shall be the responsibility of the BUYER, and the BUYER agrees to hold CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC harmless from loss for such reasons.

20. Special Packaging

- a. If special packaging or handling is required that is not contained in the specifications, it will be subject to an additional charge that will be set out on CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S invoice to the BUYER.

21. Staging & Storage Space

- a. If products arrive at BUYER's site earlier than the Estimated Delivery Date, the BUYER will provide safe and adequate storage space. If the space provided is inconveniently located or on another floor, the extra cost of such moving the products will be reimbursed to CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC by BUYER.



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22. Limitation of Liability

- a. With respect to breaches of this contract, CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S liability shall in no event exceed the contract price. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO AND DISCLAIMS: (1) ANY OBLIGATIONS OR LIABILITIES ARISING OUT OF BREACH OF CONTRACT OR OF WARRANTY NOT EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN, (2) ANY OBLIGATIONS WHATSOEVER ARISING FROM TORT CLAIMS (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE AND STRICT LIABILITY) OR ARISING UNDER OTHER THEORIES OF LAW WITH RESPECT TO PRODUCTS SOLD OR SERVICES RENDERED BY CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC, OR ANY UNDERTAKINGS, ACTS OR OMISSIONS RELATING THERETO, AND (3) ALL CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONTINGENT AND SPECIAL DAMAGES WHATSOEVER.

23. Indemnification

- a. BUYER shall indemnify CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC against any and all losses, liabilities, damages and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys fees and other costs of defending any action) which CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC may incur as a result of any claim by BUYER or others arising out of or in connection with the products and/or services sold hereunder and based on product or service defects not proven to have been caused solely by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC'S negligence.

24. Acts beyond reasonable control

- a. CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC shall not be liable for any delay or failure to deliver any or all the product caused by labor disputes, strikes, act of God, or other delay beyond the reasonable control of CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC. In such instances, any deadlines for delivery shall be adjusted by a reasonable amount.

25. Governing Law / Attorneys fees

- a. The terms of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Minnesota (without regard to conflict of laws provisions). The parties agree that any action or proceeding to enforce or arising out of this Agreement shall be commenced only in state or federal courts located in Minneapolis, MN. The parties consent to such jurisdiction, agree that venue will be proper in such courts and waive any objections based upon Forum Non Conveniens. BUYER shall reimburse CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC for all reasonable attorneys' fees and collection costs incurred by CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC to enforce its rights against BUYER under these Terms and Conditions.

26. Entire Agreement

- a. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing between BUYER and CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC, this document is intended by all parties as the final expression of their agreement and supersedes all other purchase orders or documents provided by BUYER.



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In acknowledgment of Agreement the BUYER, _____
and CONTINUA INTERIORS OF MINNESOTA, LLC have had this Agreement signed by their duly authorized officers.

BUYER

Continua Interiors of Minnesota, LLC

(Print) Name and Title

(Print) Name and Title

Signature Date

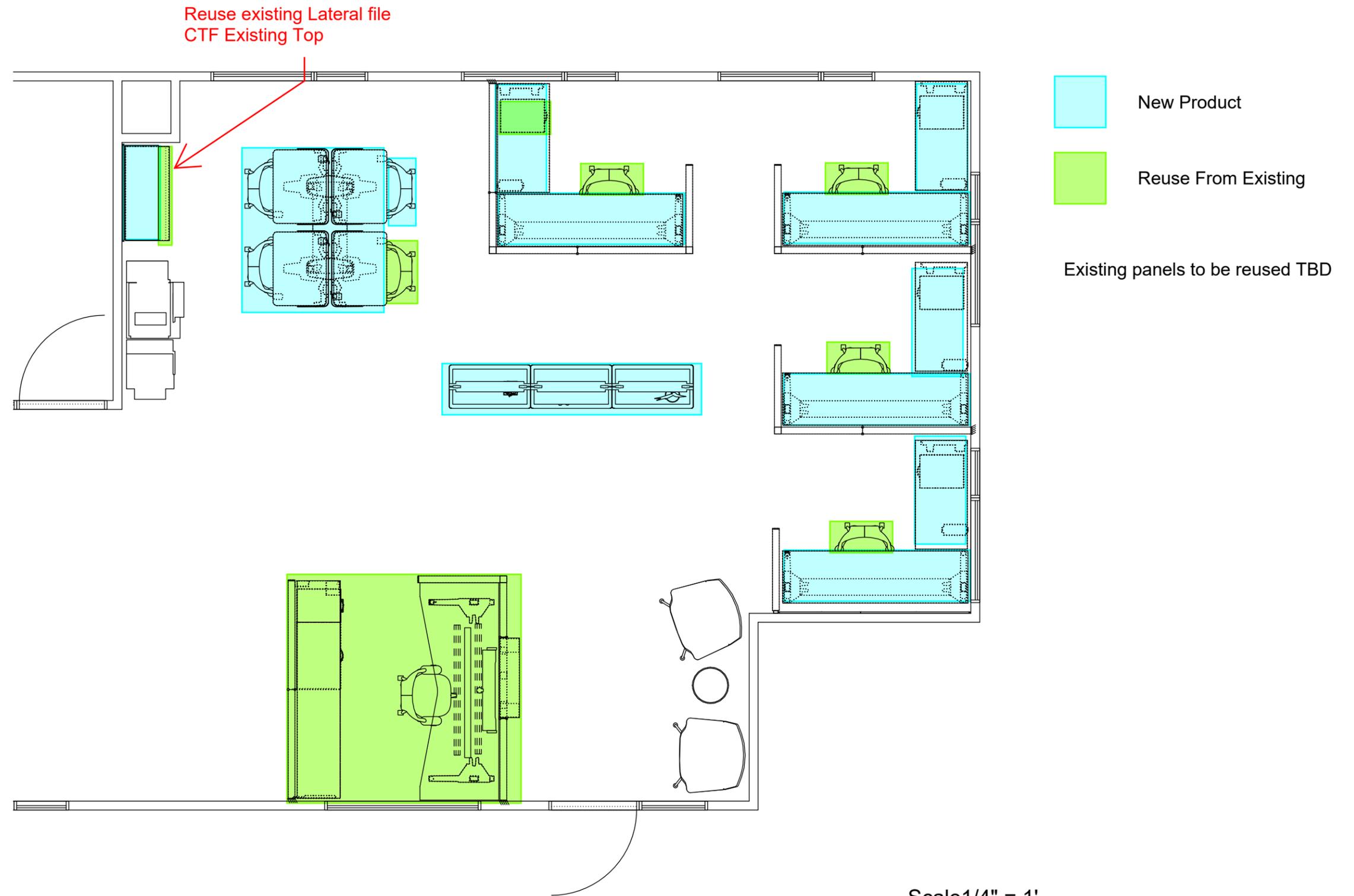
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Request for Board Action

Attachment 6.4

Agenda Item: Little Earth Stormwater and Habitat Improvements 30% / Concept Design

Presenter: Emmy Baskerville Doeckel

Meeting Date: 18 November 2025

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 18 November 2025

Background

A feasibility study was recently completed in partnership with Hennepin County (County), the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB), and the City of Minneapolis (City) to identify a suite of water resource and habitat improvement opportunities within the East Phillips Neighborhood of Minneapolis, which is within the Southside Green Zone. The impetus for this study was a series of transportation and park projects in close proximity, planned for implementation within the next five years in the East Phillips Neighborhood.

One project identified through this feasibility study is the Little Earth Stormwater and Habitat Improvements project. This project will use stormwater captured from Cedar Avenue and route it into an underground tank for use as irrigation at the Little Earth East campus. The concept design phase will also explore extending irrigation services to the west side of the Little Earth campus.

This 30% Design / Concept phase will include stakeholder engagement sessions with representatives from Little Earth, as well as an on-site walk with stakeholders to explore potential sustainable site improvements.

MWMO staff is requesting approval of a not-to-exceed amount of \$73,000 in Capital Project funding for professional engineering services to advance to 30% (Concept) plans and stakeholder engagement sessions for the Little Earth Stormwater and Habitat Improvements project.

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2025-032

A RESOLUTION APPROVING FUNDING FOR LITTLE EARTH STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS 30% CONCEPT DESIGN

WHEREAS, the MWMO strives to protect and improve water quality and habitat within its jurisdiction, through the planning and implementation of stormwater best management practices;

WHEREAS, the MWMO strives to partner with other local units of government to collaboratively find cost-effective ways to manage stormwater and improve habitat;

WHEREAS, the MWMO recognizes the importance of providing resources to communities in the City's Southside Green Zone;

WHEREAS, the MWMO has sufficient Capital Project funds available; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the Board of Commissioners approves not-to-exceed \$73,000 in Capital Project funds to complete the Little Earth Stormwater Improvement and Habitat Design 30% / Concept Plans.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners approves not-to-exceed \$73,000 in Capital Project funds for professional services to develop 30% / Concept Plans for the Little Earth Stormwater Improvement and Habitat Design Plans and authorizes MWMO staff to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the resolution.

Adopted this the 18th day of November, 2025.

Review for the Board: _____

Connie Buesgens, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Kevin Reich, Executive Director



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Request for Board Action

Attachment 6.5

Agenda Item: Medtronic Site Enhanced Stormwater Management Feasibility Study

Presenter: Nancy Stowe

Meeting Date: 18 November 2025

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 18 November 2025

Background

The 12-acre former Medtronic site in the City of Columbia Heights is slated for redevelopment in the coming years. The property is immediately adjacent to Sullivan Lake, which is listed as impaired for excess nutrients by the State of Minnesota. Sullivan Lake receives runoff from an approximately 450-acre suburban drainage area, including areas within the Cities of Columbia Heights, Hilltop, and Fridley.

During the ongoing Sullivan Lake Water Quality Study, the former Medtronic site was identified as a potential location for enhanced stormwater treatment, given the site’s high imperviousness and location adjacent to the lake. Additionally, the south end of the Medtronic property was identified as a potential regional treatment location, which could potentially house a stormwater treatment facility to treat stormwater flows that move past this location via a dual trunkline that discharges to the east side of Sullivan Lake. The existing flows in this trunkline system are largely untreated stormwater runoff from the upstream watershed, including Central Avenue NE and the neighborhoods east of that corridor.

The City of Columbia Heights has been working with a developer to create redevelopment plans for the former Medtronic site, and draft concepts and phasing for redevelopment of the site have been developed. The City has indicated an interest in working with the MWMO to identify and incorporate stormwater amenities as part of the project that are above-and-beyond that which is required according to the City's stormwater ordinance.

Staff are requesting a not-to-exceed amount of \$97,000 to pay for professional engineering services to conduct the Medtronic Site Enhanced Stormwater Management Feasibility Study to evaluate opportunities for above-and-beyond stormwater management as part of the redevelopment project and to conceptually design additional stormwater BMPs for the site to provide additional water quality and habitat benefits to Sullivan Lake.

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2025-033

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEDTRONIC SITE ENHANCED STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FEASIBILITY STUDY

WHEREAS, the MWMO strives to protect and improve water quality and habitat within its jurisdiction through the planning and implementation of stormwater best management practices; and

WHEREAS, the MWMO strives to partner with other entities to collaboratively find cost-effective ways to manage stormwater and improve habitat; and

WHEREAS, the MWMO strives to improve the ecological health and stability of the Mississippi River and other water bodies within its watershed; and

WHEREAS, the MWMO has sufficient Watershed Assessment funds available; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the Board of Commissioners approve up to \$97,000 in watershed assessment funds to complete the Medtronic Site Enhanced Stormwater Management Feasibility Study.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners approve up to \$97,000 in watershed assessment funds for professional services to complete the Medtronic Site Enhanced Stormwater Management Feasibility Study and authorizes MWMO staff to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the resolution.

Adopted this the 18th day of November, 2025.

Review for the Board: _____

Connie Buesgens, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Reich, Executive Director



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Request for Board Action

Attachment 6.6

Agenda Item: Owámniyomni Mill Race Environmental Investigation

Presenter: Emily Resseger

Meeting Date: 18 November 2025

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 18 November 2025

Background

In 2024, the MWMO began partnering with Owámniyomni Okhódayapi, a Dakota-led nonprofit, to support their work to transform five acres of land at Owámniyomni (St. Anthony Falls) into a place of restoration, education, healing and connection. MWMO and Owámniyomni Okhódayapi share priorities at Owámniyomni of promoting clean water and healthy habitat immediately adjacent to the Mississippi River.

A central feature of the Owámniyomni project is the Mill Race, a historic open channel below the falls that once served mill operations. The Mill Race is now disconnected from the river and receives polluted runoff from historic mill tunnels and storm sewers. Conceptual designs for the Owámniyomni project envision reconnecting the Mill Race to the river to restore flow, improve habitat, and enhance public access.

MWMO monitoring in August 2024 identified high levels of *E. coli* entering the Mill Race from several pipe inputs, as well as elevated nutrients and metals within the channel. The sources of pollution are unknown, as the area around the Mill Race was among the first to be developed into the City of Minneapolis, and includes a tangle of storm sewers, sanitary sewers, mill tunnels, and other

conveyances. Information about sediment and historical conditions within the Mill Race is also limited.

MWMO staff propose to solicit professional engineering services to complete an environmental investigation of the Mill Race, including review of historical records, mapping of inputs, and additional field investigations. The findings will inform design decisions to ensure successful water quality improvements and healthy habitat connections at Owámmiyomni.

Staff request board approval of a not-to-exceed amount of \$103,700 to pay for professional engineering services to conduct the Owámmiyomni Mill Race Environmental Investigation.

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2025-034

A RESOLUTION APPROVING FUNDING FOR THE OWÁMNIYOMNI MILL RACE ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTIGATION

WHEREAS, The MWMO's 10-year Watershed Management Plan has established a goal to protect and improve the Mississippi River; and

WHEREAS, The MWMO strives to partner with other entities to collaboratively find cost-effective ways to manage stormwater and improve habitat; and

WHEREAS, Owámniyomni Okhódayapi plans to reconnect the Owámniyomni Mill Race to the Mississippi River, improving water quality and creating new connected habitat in a corridor adjacent to the River; and

WHEREAS, The MWMO has determined that the Owámniyomni Mill Race currently has poor water quality and receives untreated water from abandoned mill tunnels and storm sewer pipes; and

WHEREAS, The MWMO does not know the sources of inputs to nor the extent of pollution in the Mill Race; and

WHEREAS, The MWMO has sufficient Watershed Assessment funds available; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends the Board of Commissioners approve up to \$103,700 in Watershed Assessment funds to complete an environmental investigation of the Owámniyomni Mill Race current conditions and inputs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners approve up to \$103,700 in Watershed Assessment funds for professional services to complete an environmental investigation of the Owámniyomni Mill Race and authorizes MWMO staff to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the resolution.

Adopted this the 18th day of November, 2025.

Review for the Board: _____

Connie Buesgens, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Kevin Reich, Executive Director