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NOTICE: How to Follow State Agency Rulemaking in the State Register

The State Register is the official source, and only complete listing, for all state agency rulemaking in its various stages. State agencies are required to publish notice of their rulemaking action in the State Register. Published every Monday, the State Register makes it easy to follow and participate in the important rulemaking process. Approximately 80 state agencies have the authority to issue rules. Each agency is assigned specific Minnesota Rule chapter numbers. Every odd-numbered year the Minnesota Rules are published. Supplements are published to update this set of rules. Generally speaking, proposed and adopted exempt rules do not appear in this set because of their short-term nature, but are published in the State Register.

An agency must first solicit Comments on Planned Rules or Comments on Planned Rule Amendments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency (Minnesota Statutes §§ 14.101). It does this by publishing a notice in the State Register at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, or within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as Proposed Rules, along with a notice of hearing, or a notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as proposed. Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register. After proposed rules have gone through the comment period, and have been rewritten into their final form, they again appear in the State Register as Adopted Rules. These final adopted rules are not printed in their entirety, but only the changes made since their publication as Proposed Rules. To see the full rule, as adopted and in effect, a person simply needs two issues of the State Register, the issue the rule appeared in as proposed, and later as adopted.

The State Register features partial and cumulative listings of rules in this section on the following schedule: issues #1-26 inclusive (issue #26 cumulative for issues #1-26); issues #27-52 inclusive (issue #52, cumulative for issues #27-52 or #53 in some years). A subject matter index is updated weekly and is available upon request from the editor. For copies or subscriptions to the State Register, contact the editor at 651-201-3204 or email at sean.plemmons@state.mn.us

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Office of Governor

Notice of Appointment for the Department of Labor and Industry Commissioner

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Roslyn Robertson

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed you to the office of:

Commissioner

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

Effective: January 22, 2021

Expires: January 2, 2023

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed January 22, 2021.



Tim Walz
Governor

Steve Simon
Secretary of State

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Secretary of State,
Steve Simon

Official Notices

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

The *State Register* also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

Minnesota Board on Aging

Notice of Meeting of the Minnesota Board on Aging Public Policy Committee

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2021 meetings of the Minnesota Board on Aging will be held online using WebEx until further notice due to Covid-19 regulations. Meetings will resume at the Minnesota Humanities Center, 987 Ivy Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55106 when possible.

January
- 1/26 (Ad hoc Public Policy Committee): 1-2 pm

February
- 2/10 (Executive Committee): Noon-2 pm
- 2/23 (Diversity Committee): 9-11 am
- 2/24 (Public Policy Committee): 9-11 am
- 2/25 (Program Operations Committee): 9-Noon
- 2/26 (Full Board): 9-Noon

April
- 4/9 (Executive Committee): 10-Noon
- 4/20 (Diversity Committee): 9-11 am
- 4/21 (Public Policy Committee): 9-11 am
- 4/22 (Program Operations Committee): 9-Noon
- 4/23 (Full Board): 9-Noon

June
- 6/10 (Executive Committee): 10-Noon
- 6/21 (Diversity Committee): 9-11 am
- 6/23 (Public Policy Committee): 9-11 am
- 6/24 (Program Operations Committee): 9-Noon
- 6/25 (Full Board): 9-Noon

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Virtual Option:
- 7/16 (Executive Committee): 10-Noon
- 7/27 (Diversity Committee): 9-11 am
- 7/28 (Public Policy Committee): 9-11 am
- 7/29 (Program Operations Committee): 9-Noon
- 7/30 (Full Board): 9-Noon

In-person option:
- 7/16 (Executive Committee): 10-Noon
- 7/29 ((Program Operations Committee, Public Policy Committee, Diversity Committee):
- 7/30 (Full Board): 9-Noon

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- 9/15 & 9/16: (Committee Meetings): All Day (Details TBD)
- 9/17 (Full Board): 9-Noon

October
- 10/15 (Executive Committee): 10-Noon
- 10/27 (Joint Diversity Committee and Program Operations Committee): TBD
- 10/28 (Joint Diversity Committee and Program Operations Committee): TBD
- 10/29 (Full Board): 9-Noon

December
- 11/18 (Executive Committee): 10-Noon
- 12/2 (Program Operations Committee, Public Policy Committee, Diversity Committee): TBD
- 12/3 (Full Board): 9-Noon

For additional information please call 651-431-2500 or 1-800-882-6262. Please check the MBA web site at ***https://mn.gov/board-on-aging/*** for any changes to this notice.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)
Notice of Comment Period for the Proposed Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine of Minnesota

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is accepting comments on the current state emergency quarantine for emerald ash borer, *Agrilus planipennis* (Fairemaire), and the proposal for a state formal quarantine.

Oral and written comments regarding the proposed regulations will be accepted via email or phone through February 25, 2021. Submit comments to Kimberly Thielen Cremers, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert Street North, St Paul, MN 55155, **email:** ***kimberly.tcremers@state.mn.us***, **phone:** (651)201-6329.

For more information on emerald ash borer, including a copy of the emergency quarantine, visit the Minnesota Department of Agriculture website at ***www.mda.state.mn.us/eab***.

State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts Section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the State Register, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

SEE ALSO: Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: *http://www.grants.state.mn.us/public/*

Department of Agriculture
Notice of Opportunity to Access Federal Grant Funds for Feasibility Study

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture ("State") is issuing public notice of its intent to leverage federal grant dollars awarded to a Minnesota nonprofit organization (Organization). The State will provide matching funds to support a feasibility study for the Perennial Promise Growers Cooperative.

The founding farmer members of Perennial Promise Growers Cooperative have a shared vision of farmer

cooperation, economic and social revitalization of the rural landscape, and a desire to increase the use of perennial cash crops on the landscape to deliver ecosystems services. This farmer owned, farmer-controlled cooperative is working initially to collectively market Kernza, a new intermediate wheatgrass, developed by the University of Minnesota in partnership with The Land Institute. Long term, the cooperative envisions being the premier partner with the Forever Green Initiative (FGI) as crops become market ready. The State currently works with the FGI on research and implementation of cover crops and perennials, including Kernza. Perennial crops provide continuous cover on the land, while winter annuals and cover crops grow between the time when annual crops are harvested in the fall and a new planting is established in the spring. Many of the new FGI crops could fit into a corn and soybean rotation to provide soil and water protection and new economic opportunity for rural Minnesota.

The Organization has secured a federal grant for calendar year 2021 that can be used to conduct feasibility studies or develop business plans for rural cooperatives and other mutually owned businesses. The federal grant was provided by the United States Department of Agriculture through the Rural Development program (USDA Rural Cooperative Development Grant). The Organization requests that interested partners provide a match to also support the feasibility study. State funding is providing the match to conduct a feasibility study for the Perennial Promise Growers Cooperative.

Work is proposed to start after February 1, 2021 and continue through February 1, 2022.

This notice provides the opportunity for other interested parties to express an offer to provide secured federal grant dollars as described above to the State. In the event additional offers are received and verified as qualified, a Request for Proposals will be issued to accommodate consideration of all offers. Written offers to perform the stated services to the State may be submitted via email and must be received by February 1, 2021. Please direct communications to:

Margaret Wagner, Non-Point Fertilizer Section Manager
Margaret.wagner@state.mn.us

Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)

Notice of Grant Opportunity

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) places notice of any available grant opportunities online at ***https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/open-rfp.jsp***

Department of Human Services

Behavioral Health Division

Notice of Request for Proposals to Provide Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) to Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Facilities Providing Nicotine Treatment

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS or State) is requesting proposals to increase access to nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) to Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) settings that are currently providing nicotine treatment. This program will demonstrate the positive aspects of nicotine replacement therapy as part of a comprehensive approach to addressing tobacco in treatment settings.

DHS is seeking proposals for the grant period January 25, 2021 through February 5, 2021.

For more information contact:

Randy McCallum
Department of Human Services
Behavioral Health Division
P.O. Box 64977
St. Paul, MN 55155-0977
Phone: (651) 334-5459
Randy.McCallum@state.mn.us

This is the only person designated to answer questions by potential responders regarding this request.

To obtain this information in a different format, please email ***Emily.Waymire@state.mn.us***.

Proposals submitted in response to this Request for Proposals (RFP) must be received at the email address listed in the RFP no later than **4:00 p.m., Central Time, on February 5, 2021. Proposals received prior to the deadline will receive priority.** Proposals received via other methods will not be considered.

The RFP can be viewed by visiting the Minnesota Department of Human Services Grants, Requests for Proposals (RFP) and Requests for Information (RFI) web site: ***https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/grants-rfps/open-rfps/***

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Department of Human Services

Behavioral Health Division

Notice of Request for Proposals to Provide Nicotine Treatment in Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Facilities

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS or State) is requesting proposals to increase access to nicotine treatment in Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) settings that are not currently providing nicotine treatment. This program will demonstrate the ability of OUD treatment centers to create sustainable nicotine treatment.

DHS is seeking proposals for the grant period January 25, 2021 through February 5, 2021.

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State Contracts

Informal Solicitations: Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over $5,000 through $50,000, may either be published in the *State Register* or posted on the Department of Administration, Materials Management Division's (MMD) Web site. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the MMD Website at *www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us* for informal solicitation announcements.

Formal Solicitations: Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over $50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the *State Register.* Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

Requirements: There are no statutes or rules requiring contracts to be advertised for any specific length of time, but the Materials Management Division strongly recommends meeting the following requirements: $0 - $5000 does not need to be advertised. Contact the Materials Management Division: (651) 296-2600 $5,000 - $25,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least seven calendar days; $25,000 - $50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least 14 calendar days; and anything above $50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a minimum of at least 21 calendar days.

Department of Administration

MMCAP Infuse

Notice of Request for Proposals for Oral, Metabolic, Infant Formula, and Enteral Nutritional Supplement Products

MMCAP Infuse, is requesting proposals from vendors for **Oral, Metabolic, Infant Formula, and Enteral Nutritional Supplement Products**. MMCAP Infuse is a government-run healthcare product and service group purchasing organization serving governmental entities.

For more information on MMCAP Infuse visit ***https://infuse-mn.gov/***

To obtain a copy of the RFP go to ***https://infuse-mn.gov/partners/suppliersandrfps/openrfp.jsp***

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this notice must be received according to the specifications in the Request for Proposal. **RFP Due Date is March 10, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Central Time**.

The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Department of Administration

Real Estate and Construction Services

Notice of Availability of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Construction Manager at Risk for New State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State of Minnesota Department of Administration, represented by Real Estate and Construction Services Division (RECS), is seeking Construction Manager at Risk services for (SEOC), North Metro, MN.

A full Request for Qualifications is available on the Department of Administration's website at ***http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/solicitations.htm*** click "Virtual Plan Room – Construction Contracts". Project Name "RECS RFQ - CMR New State Emergency Operations Center", QUESTCDN Project Number: 7467430, RECS Project Number: 07XX0001. To be considered for selection and a contract, responses must be submitted by the date and time indicated in the RFQ.

A Mandatory Pre-Qualifications Submittal/Proposal Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. C.T. Firms must Pre-Register for the Mandatory Pre-Qualifications Submittal/Proposal Meeting by 2:00 p.m., Monday, February 15, 2021. Project questions will be taken by Talia Landucci Owen at ***talia.landucci-owen@state.mn.us***. Questions regarding this RFQ must be received by Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. C.T.

Responses must be received by the Real Estate and Construction Services, Department of Administration, Talia Landucci Owen, no later than Monday, March 1, 2021 by 12:00 noon C.T. Late responses will not be accepted.

The Department of Administration, Real Estate and Construction Services Division is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Non-Construction Related Bid and Contracting Opportunities

Minnesota State is now placing additional public notices for P/T contract opportunities, goods/commodities, and non-construction related services on its Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website (***http://minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html***). New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, or are having problems viewing the information on the Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website, please call the Minnesota State Procurement Unit at 651-201-1444, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Request for Proposals for Recordkeeper for Defined Contribution Retirement (DCR) and Tax-Sheltered Annuity (TSA) Programs

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that proposals are being solicited to select a provider to act as a recordkeeper for the 401(a) Defined Contribution Retirement (DCR) program, and the 403(b) Tax Sheltered Annuity (TSA) program of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. The Plans cover approximately 20,500 active participants in a system of 31 public colleges and universities with 54 campuses in 47 communities throughout the state of Minnesota.

To review the full Request for Proposal please visit ***https://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/*** or contact:

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Proposals must be submitted via Proposal Tech at the following link: ***https://www.proposaltech.com/home/app.php/***register and received according to the instructions appearing in the Request for Proposal no later than **Tuesday, February 9, at 5:00 p.m. EST**. Proposals received after this date and time will not be reviewed.

This RFP does not obligate Minnesota State, its Board of Trustees, or the System Office to award a contract or complete the proposed project, and Minnesota State, its Board of Trustees, or the System Office each reserve the right to cancel the RFP.

Minnesota State is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer and educator.

State Contracts

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Notice of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Architectural, Engineering, Owner's Representative, Real Estate and other Professional and Technical Services for a Master Contract

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities ("Minnesota State"), requests information of Minnesota registered consultants, as appropriate, to assist Minnesota State in providing facilities related Professional and/or Technical services as needed for up to a five-year period. Consultants with existing master contracts are encouraged to respond to this RFQ if they wish to add additional Specialty Services. Campus projects will vary in scope and may involve professional or technical Specialty Services such as Architectural Design, Predesign, Building Envelope, Commissioning, Engineering, Industrial Hygiene, Inspectors and Laboratories, Land Surveyor, Landscape Architectural Design, Owner's Representative, Real Estate, or Technology, among others.

The Request for Qualifications documents (RFQ and attachments) are available at:
http://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html

This RFQ is to allow a consultant to enter into master contract and be included in the Facilities Professional/ Technical Consultants Master Contract database. Responses must be received NO later than **Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. CT**; late responses will not be considered. Minnesota State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered to be in Minnesota State's best interest. The RFQ is not a guarantee of work and does not obligate Minnesota State to award any contracts. Minnesota State reserves the right to discontinue the use of or to cancel all or any part of the Facilities Professional/Technical Consultant Master Contract if it is determined to be in its best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Minnesota Department of Health

Request for Proposals for Exceptions to the Nursing Home Moratorium

Purpose

The commissioner of health is accepting written proposals from nursing homes and certified boarding care homes requesting funding through the moratorium exception process, according to Minn. Stat. § 144A.073. The commissioner of health, in coordination with the commissioner of human services, may approve such requests under conditions listed in the Minnesota Statutes. These conditions refer to categories of exceptions which are defined as:

(a) "Conversion" means the relocation of a nursing home bed from a nursing home to an attached hospital.

(b) "Relocation" means the movement of licensed nursing home beds or certified boarding care beds as permitted by state statute to promote equitable access across the state or to move the beds to another site.

(c) "Renovation" means extensive remodeling of an existing facility with a total cost exceeding ten percent of the appraised value of the facility or $200,000, whichever is less. A renovation may include the replacement or upgrade of existing mechanical or electrical systems.

(d) "Replacement" means the construction of a completely new facility.

(e) "Addition" means the construction of new space to an existing facility.

(f) "Upgrading" means a change in the level of licensure of a bed from a boarding care bed to a nursing home bed in a certified boarding care facility.

(g) "Phased project" means a proposal that identifies construction occurring with more than one distinct completion date. To be considered a distinct completion, each phase must have construction that is ready for resident use, as determined by the commissioner, which is not dependent on similar commissioner approval for future phases of construction. The commissioner of human services shall only allow rate adjustments for construction projects in phases if the proposal from a facility identifies construction in phases and each phase can be approved for use independent of the other phases.

(h) "Consolidation" means a project that meets the criteria for "consolidation of nursing facilities" as outlined in 144A.071, Subd. 4d.

Appropriation Available

The amount of the legislative appropriation available for the total annual additional costs to the Medical Assistance program for this Request for Proposals (RFP) is approximately **$702,144,00.**

Eligibility to Submit a Proposal

A proposal for an exception to the nursing home moratorium may be submitted by an organization or individual authorized by a facility's governing board or management to prepare and submit a proposal to the commissioner of health.

Method for Estimating Proposal Cost

The method that the commissioner will use in evaluating proposals for approval or disapproval for estimating the cost of a proposal is detailed in the application materials.

Criteria for Review

Minn. Stat. § 144A.073, Subd. 4a, states the criteria the commissioner of health is to consider in reviewing moratorium exception proposals:

Subd. 4a. **Criteria for review**. In reviewing the application materials and submitted costs by an applicant to the moratorium process, the review panel shall consider the following criteria in recommending proposals:

(1) the extent to which the proposed nursing home project is integrated with other health and long-term care services for older adults;

(2) the extent to which the project provides for the complete replacement of an outdated physical plant;

(3) the extent to which the project results in a reduction of nursing facility beds in an area that has a relatively high number of beds per thousand occupied by persons age 85 and over;

(4) the extent to which the project produces improvements in health; safety, including life safety code corrections; quality of life; and privacy of residents;

(5) the extent to which, under the current facility ownership and management, the provider has shown the ability to provide good quality of care based on health-related findings on certification surveys, quality indicator scores, and quality-of-life scores, including those from the Minnesota nursing home report card;

(6) the extent to which the project integrates the latest technology and design features in a way that improves the resident experience and improves the working environment for employees;

(7) the extent to which the sustainability of the nursing facility can be demonstrated based on the need for services in the area and the proposed financing of the project; and

(8) the extent to which the project provides or maintains access to nursing facility services needed in the community.

Procedure for Receiving Application Materials

The application materials, including instructions, format and necessary forms are available at the following website: ***https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/regulation/nursinghomes/moratoriumapp/index.html***

Or upon email request to: ***health.nhm@state.mn.us***

Review and Approval of Proposals

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee composed of organizations that represent consumers and providers of nursing home services; persons who provide engineering, building construction, or design services; and, state agencies involved in long term care issues, housing and finance. Applicants will have the opportunity to present their proposal, by *virtual public meeting*, to the (Proposal Review Committee) prior to the Committee submitting comments and recommendations to the commissioner. Details on this *virtual meeting*, including date, time will be made available to the contact person listed in each moratorium exception proposal. The commissioner of health will approve or disapprove project proposals based on criteria established in law and rule. The commissioner will make the final decision no later than **September 3, 2021.**

Questions Concerning the RFP

Any questions relating to the RFP process must be submitted by prospective applicants in writing, via email to: ***health.nhm@state.mn.us***

No answers will be provided in response to phone calls. Each question must cite the particular RFP page to which it refers. Copies of all questions and their answers will be provided to all prospective applicants who have requested application materials. Only responses in writing by staff of the Minnesota Department of Health will be considered official. The closing date for the receipt of questions will be **Friday**, **April 23, 2021.**

State Contracts
Technical assistance in completing the application forms is available from LeadingAge of Minnesota at (651) 645-4545, Care Providers of Minnesota, at (952) 854-2844 or The Minnesota Department of Health (651) 201-4101.

Procedures for Submitting Proposals
No proposals submitted by facsimile machine will be accepted.

Completed proposals must be emailed no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 25, 2021, to:
health.nhm@state.mn.us

Minnesota Historical Society (MNHS)

Request for Bids for Wayfinding Signage at Historic Fort Snelling

The Minnesota Historical Society is soliciting bids from qualified contractors to work collaboratively with MNHS to fabricate and install wayfinding signage at Historic Fort Snelling (Site) as part of a larger Revitalization project. This is a prevailing wage project.

The Request for Bids front-end documents are available by contacting Mary Green Toussaint, Contract Manager, Minnesota Historical Society, by e-mail only: ***mary.green-toussaint@mnhs.org***

There will be a **MANDATORY** pre-bid meeting for all interested parties on **Monday, February 8, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. Local Time. Due to COVID-19, this pre-bid meeting will be hosted virtually on Google Hangouts.** Please join via this link: ***meet.google.com/vdz-rtaw-ndt***

All bids must be received in .pdf format only by Mary Green Toussaint, Contract and Purchasing Manager, at mary.***green-toussaint@mnhs.org*** no later than **2:00 p.m. Local Time, Thursday February 25**. Due to the ongoing pandemic, there will be no public bid opening.

Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT)

Engineering Services Division

Notices Regarding Professional/Technical (P/T) Contracting

P/T Contracting Opportunities: MnDOT is now placing additional public notices for P/T contract opportunities on the MnDOT's Consultant Services website. New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.

Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act (TTAA) Notices: MnDOT is posting notices as required by the TTAA on the MnDOT Consultant Services website.

MnDOT's Prequalification Program: MnDOT maintains a Pre-Qualification Program in order to streamline the process of contracting for highway related P/T services. Program information, application requirements, application forms and contact information can be found on MnDOT's Consultant Services website. Applications may be submitted at any time for this Program.

MnDOT Consultant Services website: ***www.dot.state.mn.us/consult***

If you have any questions regarding this notice, or are having problems viewing the information on the Consultant Services website, please all the Consultant Services Help Line at 651-366-4611, Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:00pm.

Non-State Public Bids, Contracts & Grants

The State Register also serves as a central marketplace for contracts let out on bid by the public sector. The *State Register* meets state and federal guidelines for statewide circulation of public notices. Any tax-supported institution or government jurisdiction may advertise contracts and requests for proposals from the private sector. It is recommended that contracts and RFPs include the following: 1) name of contact person; 2) institution name, address, and telephone number; 3) brief description of commodity, project or tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from the date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as $1,000. Contact editor for further details.

Besides the following listing, readers are advised to check: *http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/solicitations.htm* as well as the Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: *http://www.grants.state.mn.us/public/*.

MacDonald & Mack Architects

Request for Bids for Madison City Hall Roof Replacement and Exterior Rehabilitation, 404 Sixth Avenue, Madison, MN 56256

MacDonald & Mack Architects is seeking bids from qualified firms to provide all labor, materials, equipment, and supplies to complete roof and exterior masonry repairs at Madison City Hall, 404 Sixth Avenue, Madison, MN 56256. The work consists of, but is not limited to, replacement of the asphalt shingle roof, new flashings, copings, gutters and downspouts, selective mortar repointing, sheet metal repairs and replacement and painting and other work indicated in the Contract Documents. All work must be done in accordance with the Drawings, Project Manual, and the Contract, as well as this Request for Bids.

Availability of Bidding Documents: Bidders desiring bidding documents may secure a complete set from the Franz Reprographics Public Plan Room, available via ***http://www.franzrepro.com/***. Sets will be available there for electronic download free of charge. Franz Reprographics is located at 2781 Freeway Boulevard, Suite 100; Brooklyn Center, MN 55430; phone: (763) 503-3401; fax: (763) 503-3409.

Documents will be available after **January 25, 2021**.

Questions may be directed to Rita Goodrich at MacDonald & Mack Architects; email ***Ritag@mmarchltd.com***.

All bids must be received via email to ***Ritag@mmarchltd.com*** no later than **2:00 pm Tuesday, February 23, 2021**. Bids will be opened privately and evaluated based on all aspects of the bid.


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