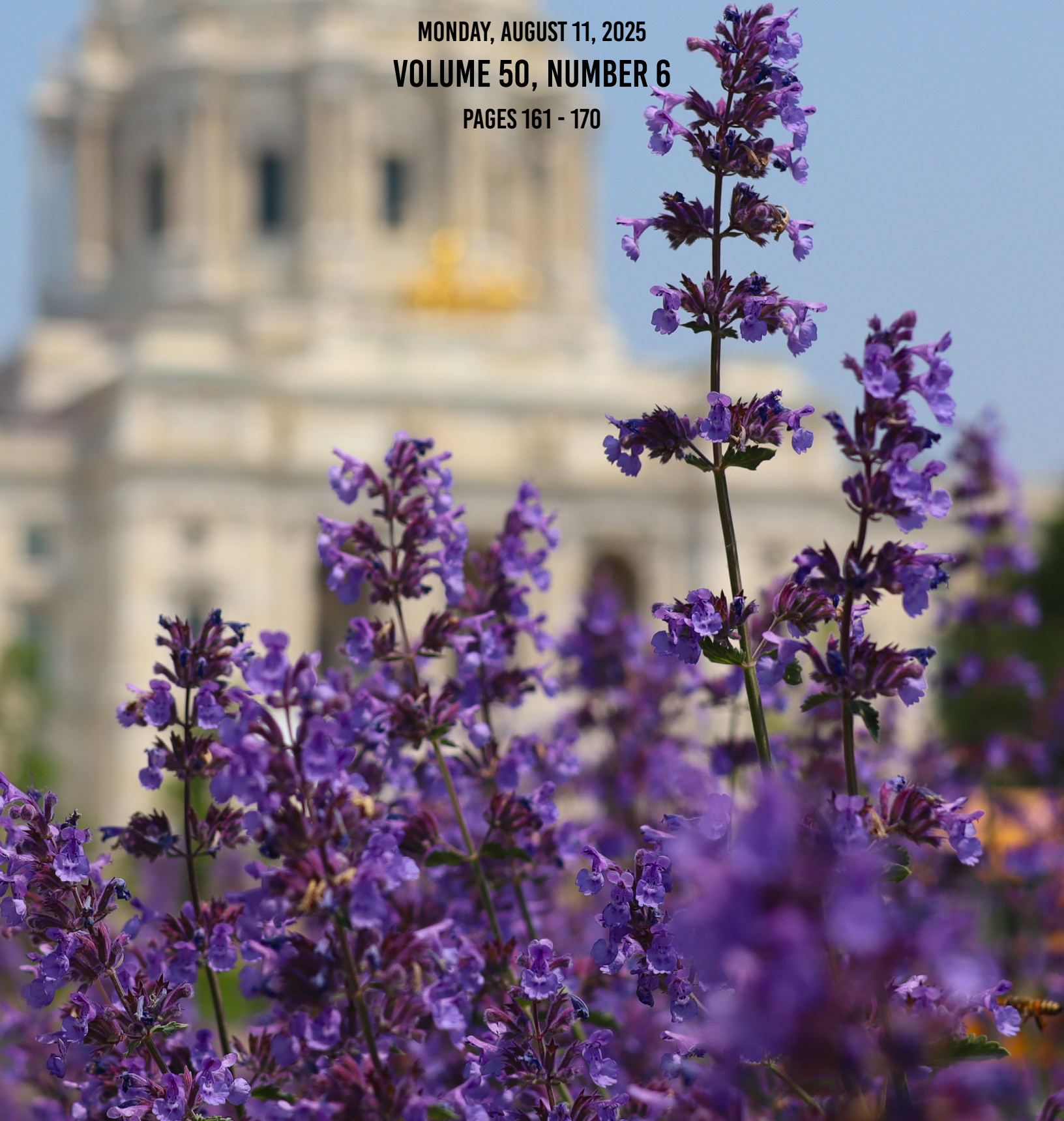


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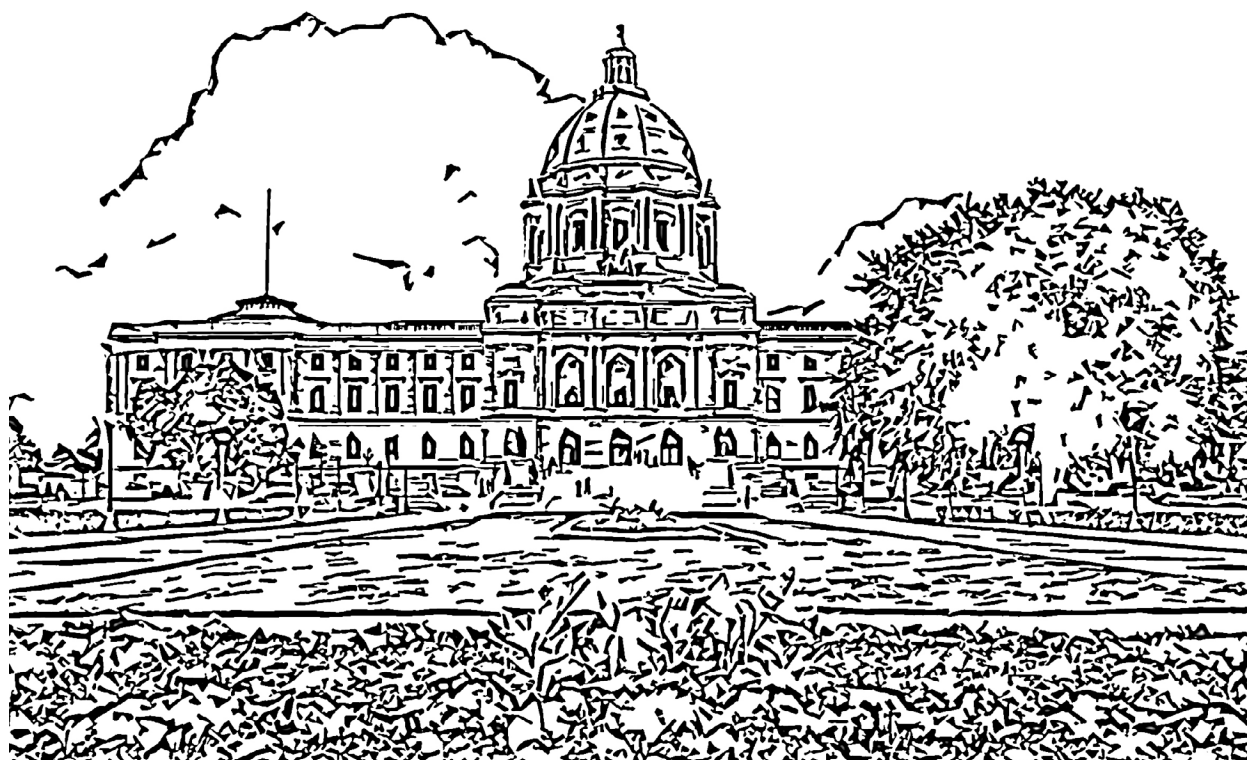
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NOTICE: How to Follow State Agency Rulemaking in the State Register

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 Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register.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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Expedited rules are effective for the period stated or up to 18 months. Specific *Minnesota Statute* citations accompanying these expedited rules detail the agency's rulemaking authority.

KEY: Proposed Rules - Underlining indicates additions to existing rule language. ~~Strikeouts~~ indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material."

Adopted Rules - Underlining indicates additions to proposed rule language. ~~Strikeout~~ indicates deletions from proposed rule language.

Office of Emergency Medical Services

Adopted Expedited Permanent Rule Relating to Modifying Specific Variances for Certain Drugs

The rules proposed and published at State Register, Volume 49, Number 39, pages 1082-1083, March 24, 2025 (49 SR 1082), are adopted as proposed.

Official Notices

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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 Department of Children, Youth, and Families

Office of Economic Opportunity

Notice of Minnesota's Draft FY2026-2027 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) State Plan Available for Public Inspection and Comment; Public Hearing August 21, 2025

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on August 21, 2025 by the Department of Children Youth & Families, Office of Economic Opportunity in conjunction with the development and submittal of Minnesota's FY2026-2027 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) State Plan. The 90-minute hearing will be held on August 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. using the following Teams virtual platform:

Join on your computer, mobile app (NOTE: if you do not have the Teams App on your device, choose "Continue on this browser" to join the meeting online)

Meeting Link: <https://bit.ly/CSBGStatePlanFeedback>

Meeting ID: 248 110 720 668 6; Passcode: jg6yb3xL

Or call in (audio only) +1 651-395-7448 Phone Conference ID: 250 132 424#

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The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed use and distribution of funds to be provided through the allotment to the State of Minnesota under the Community Services Block Grant Act. These funds are used by federally defined eligible entities, including Community Action Agencies, Tribal Governments and the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to address the causes and effects of poverty. Draft plans will be distributed at the hearing or can be accessed for public inspection and comment by contacting Amy Parker at amy.parker@state.mn.us or 651-539-7793. Comments to the plan should be submitted no later than August 26, 2025 by email to amy.parker@state.mn.us.

Land Exchange Board

Notice of Meeting of the Land Exchange Board on August 18, 2025

The Land Exchange Board will hold a meeting on August 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in the 4th floor Main Conference Room at the Department of Natural Resources building, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN. One or more Board members may be participating via interactive technology. The public may monitor the meeting from a remote location. Persons wishing to do so should contact katherine.giel@state.mn.us.

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: <https://mn.gov/admin/citizen/grants/>

Department of Commerce

Division of Energy Resources

Request for Proposals for Electric School Buses: Application for Equipment

The Minnesota Department of Commerce (“the Department”) seeks proposals to purchase electric school buses from eligible School Districts throughout Minnesota, and other eligible applicants on their behalf. Funds may also be used to install necessary charging infrastructure.

The State Legislature allocated a total of \$13 million (*Minn. Stat. 216C.374*) to accelerate School Districts’ adoption of electric school buses and to encourage schools to use vehicle electrification as a teaching tool that can be integrated into the school’s curriculum. Public School Districts, Tribal contract schools, as well as eligible applicants representing them may apply for funding, which will be awarded based on financial need and prioritization criteria. This RFP will provide funding to pay for the procurement of electric school buses and other related equipment.

Activities funded under this grant award include:

- The purchase of up to three electric school buses per applicant, or the conversion of up to three fossil-fuel powered school buses to be powered by electricity.
- Administrative work to support the purchase of electric school buses, or support the conversion or repowering of fossil-fuel-powered school buses to electricity;
- Deployment, on the School District or transportation service provider's real property, of infrastructure required

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to operate electric school buses, such as charging stations. This grant will cover up to one level 2 alternating current (AC) charger per electric school bus, or one direct current (DC) fast charger per application.

The RFP will be posted publicly online on the Department's RFP page (found at <https://mn.gov/commerce/business/rfp.jsp>) beginning on Monday August 11, 2025, and will close Tuesday October 7, 2025 at 5:00pm CST.

The Department has up to \$1.9M available for this grant. The amount of funding available for this round of funding is subject to change based on various factors.

All responses to this RFP need to be submitted through a single responder user account via the grant portal. Applications must be submitted by the deadline of each respective round. Late proposals will not be considered. Instructions and links for submitting bids are detailed in the RFP and attachments.

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 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>

Minnesota Department of Human Services Notice of Grant Opportunities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) places notice of any available grant opportunities on the DHS Grant Requests for Proposals website: *Open grants, RFPs and RFIs*.

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, Office of State Procurement (OSP) Website. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the OSP Website at <https://mn.gov/admin/osp> 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 Office of State Procurement strongly recommends meeting the following requirements: \$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised; \$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.

Contact the Office of State Procurement at: (651) 296-2600

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) Notice of Bid and Contracting Opportunities

Minnesota State advertises contract opportunities for goods and services on its Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website (<https://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html>). New notices may be added daily and will remain posted for the duration specified in each individual notice. For questions or to report any issues viewing the information on the website, please email Minnesota State at Sourcing@MinnState.edu.

Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Engineering Services Division Notice of Intent to Award a Single Source Contract

MnDOT is giving notice that it intends to award a Single Source Contract to West Central Initiative, Fergus Falls, MN.

The work to be performed is summarized as follows:

The contractor will conduct transportation planning, local government coordination, and other activities normally provided by a Regional Development Commission. The work involves a nine-county area of Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse and Wilkin in MnDOT District 4. This area currently does not have a Regional Development Commission. These services will improve communications between MnDOT and the region's citizens and local governments. Experience in transportation planning and knowledge of local transportation issues, state and federal transportation funding and processes are required to support transportation planning and Area Transportation Partnership (ATP) support activities.

The expected results of the contract include:

1. Public outreach for state plans; 2) Transportation Alternatives Program support and local technical assistance; and 3) Area Transportation Partnership support.

The contract is expected to run from summer of 2025 to June 30, 2027.

The anticipated contract amount is \$150,000.

Questions concerning this Single Source Contract should be directed to Rose Bruce-White. Submit question by email only to: rosemary.bruce-white@state.mn.us When emailing questions, please include in the subject line, "Single Source Contract Questions from (firm/organization name)".

All questions should be submitted via email by August 19, 2025.

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 call 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: <https://mn.gov/admin/osp> as well as the Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <https://mn.gov/admin/citizen/grants/>.

City of Mankato

Mankato Transit System

Notice of Request for Quotes (RFQ) for 2025-2026 Snow Removal Season

The Mankato Transit System (MTS) hereby solicits qualified firms for snow removal which includes plowing, blowing, or shoveling snow in and around designated bus stop areas. Work may include applying sand, grit, or deicing agents to provide a safe walking area. The successful Responder shall provide all the necessary equipment, tools, and materials.

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal for this project is Race/Gender/Neutral.

The project timeline is expected to start on October 1, 2025, with all work complete by May 31, 2026.

Submit questions related to specific project requirements by 4:00 PM on August 22, 2025, via email to Todd Owens (towens@mankatomn.gov). Proposers may be disqualified if unsolicited contact related to this RFQ is made with an employee other than the RFQ Administrator during the proposal process.

Interested firms can obtain a copy of the RFQ by downloading a copy from the City's website (<https://www.mankatomn.gov/about-mankato/business/bids-and-request-for-proposals>) by email towens@mankatomn.gov, by calling (507) 387-8645, or by requesting physical copies at the Intergovernmental Center, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato, MN 56001

The deadline for submitting the RFQ package is **10:00 am Friday, August 29, 2025**.

