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Minnesota House of Representatives

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State Representative Larry Howes Chair, Capital Investment Committee 491 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative Howes,

The State Government Finance Committee has heard testimony on capital budget requests from several agencies assigned to the committee as well as capital investment projects submitted by House members and sent to our committee. As the Chair I am hereby forwarding the following recommendations of the committee members. Some of the agencies which had capital investment requests with the committee included the Department Of Administration, Departments of Military Affairs and Veterans Affairs, Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission, Minnesota Historical Society, and the Public Facilities Authority (PFA). The projects listed below were supported by a majority of the 21 member committee. Many of these strongly supported projects target asset preservation, funds for Veterans facilities, and water and wastewater projects funded by the Public Facilities Authority.

Top Bonding Priorities of the House State Government Finance Committee	Number of votes
Dept of Admin/ Asset Preservation – Capitol Exterior \$21 million	received out of 21
Dept of Admin/ University Ave Tunnel (HF 1288) \$6.6 million	16
PFA/State Match Grants USEPACapGrants \$17.077 million	16
Mighty Ducks indoor ice arena air handling systems (HF 684) \$1.5 million	14
Veteran Affairs/Minneapolis NursingCare Bed Replacement Phase3 \$25.42 million	13
Military Affairs/ Asset Preservation \$5.5 million	13
Veteran Affairs/Asset preservation \$3 million	13
PFA/Wastewater Infrastructure \$25 million	13
PFA/Lutsen Lake Superior Water Project \$3.6 million	13
Minnesota Historical Society/Asset Preservation \$3.25 million	12
Dept of Administration /Statewide CAPRA \$2.5 million	12
Amateur Sports/ Asset Preservation National Sports Center HVAC replacement \$375k	12
Dept. of Administration: Capitol Campus Parking Replacement \$900,000	11
Veteran Affairs/ Minneapolis Building 13 Centralized Pharmacy \$1.366 million	11
General Committee support for PFA water recommendations from committee/funding	

A second table detailing projects which received strong support but not a majority of the committee is also included. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Rep. Morrie Lanning

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State Government Finance Committee Capital Investment Secondary Bonding Priorities Recommendations

Secondary Bonding Priorities (minimum of 5 votes of committee members out of 21)	Number of votes
Amateur Sports Commission/ Moorhead Regional Sports Center \$4 million	9
MN Historical Society /Charles Lindberg House in Little Falls \$650,000	8
Oakdale Veteran Memorial \$30,000 (HF 1128- Slawik)	8
Truman Storm Water Project- \$1.25M 7 votes (HF1988-Gunther)	7
Bemidji Public TV Grant \$3 million (Howes HF 1924/ HF 1825 Persell)	7
Veteran Affairs/ Minneapolis Veterans Home tuckpointing \$2.354 million	7
Dept of Admin/Agency relocation \$1million	6
Veteran Affairs/Bemidji Vets Home \$10 million (HF 2157-Persell)	6
Concerns raised on long term annual operating costs for state est. at \$4M/yr	
Veteran Affairs/Bemidji Vets Home \$250,000 for predesign (HF 2601-Hancock)	6
Veteran Affairs/Veteran Home Lifts 1.286 million	6
MN Historical Society/ County and Local Historic Preservation Grants \$1.5 million	5
MN Historical Society/ Kelley Farm \$9.857million (HF246-Hackbarth)	full funding 4
Two partial funding amounts recommended \$3M and \$4.5M	partial funding 2
Amateur Sports Commission/ St Paul urban center planning \$100K	5
Minneapolis Pioneer Cemetery (HF1910 Clark) \$2.1 million	5

General Committee sentiment was to follow recommendations of PFA to fund water and wastewater projects.

The Committee did not have testimony on bills in committee which could be potentially funded by PFA and the Chair and committee is relying on the scoring system used by PFA to fund projects.

Many members did not vote on water projects relying instead on PFA recommendations.

Those water projects receiving additional support of 5 committee members or more:

Gunther HF 1988 Truman storm water project \$1.25 million	7 votes
Rukavina HF 907 Hoyt Lakes \$300,000	5 votes
Melin HF 1183 Central Iron Range \$10M, 4 votes for full funding and 2 votes for \$5M	4 full votes 2 partial fund
Persell HF 1824 Deer River \$700,000	5 votes