Resolution 11-32

Board of Commissioners
County of St. Clair, Michigan

Resolution Authorizing the S2 Grant Agreement

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Environmental/Public Works Committee of the Board of Commissioners of County of St. Clair, State of Michigan, (the "Municipality") held on September 7, 2011.

PRESENT: Members: Steve Simasko, Timothy Ward, Howard Heidemann, Jeffrey Bohm
          Terry London, David Rushing and Bill Gratopp

ABSENT: Members: None

Member Jeffrey Bohm offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Member Terry London (as a Committee of the Whole)

WHEREAS, Part 52 (strategic water quality initiatives) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended ("Part 52"), provides at MCL 324.5204a that the Michigan Finance Authority (the "MFA") in consultation with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (the "DEQ") shall establish a strategic water quality initiatives grant program; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of 2010 PA 231, which provides grants to assist municipalities in completing loan application requirements under MCL 324.5308 or completing loan application requirements for other sources of financing for sewage treatment works projects, storm water treatment projects or nonpoint source projects; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of 1985 PA 227, as amended, Part 52, and other applicable provisions of law, the MFA, the DEQ, and the Municipality that is a grant recipient shall enter into a grant agreement (the "S2 Grant Agreement") that requires the Municipality to repay the grant under certain conditions as set forth in MCL 324.5204a, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality does hereby determine it necessary to undertake planning, revenue system development, and/or design activities related to a project for which it intends to seek financing for construction; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the Municipality that at this time, a grant in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed $262,495 ("Grant") be requested from the MFA and the DEQ to pay for the planning and/or design activities; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality shall obtain this Grant by entering into the S2 Grant Agreement with the MFA and the DEQ.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Environmental Services Director (name of the designee), a position currently held by Matthew B. Williams (title of the designee’s position), is designated as the Authorized Representative for purposes of the S2 Grant Agreement.

2. The proposed form of the S2 Grant Agreement between the Municipality, the MFA and DEQ (attached hereto as Appendix I) is hereby approved and the Authorized Representative is authorized and directed to execute the S2 Grant Agreement with such revisions as are permitted by law and agreed to by the Authorized Representative.

3. The Municipality shall repay the Grant, within 90 days of being informed to do so, with interest at a rate not to exceed 8 percent per year, to the Authority if any of the following conditions occur:

(a) the Municipality fails to submit an administratively complete loan application for assistance from the SRF, the SWQIF or other source of financing for the project within 3 years of the Grant award;

(b) the project has been identified as being in the fundable range or is approved for funding from another source and the Municipality declines loan assistance for 2 consecutive fiscal years unless the Municipality proceeds with funding from another source; or

(c) the Municipality is unable to, or decides not to, proceed with constructing the project.

4. The Grant, if repayable, shall be a first budget obligation from the general funds of the Municipality, and the Municipality is required, if necessary, to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the Municipality for the payment thereof, subject to applicable constitutional, statutory and Municipality tax rate limitations.

5. The Municipality shall not invest, reinvest or accumulate any moneys deemed to be Grant funds, nor shall it use Grant funds for the general local government administration activities or activities performed by municipal employees.

6. The Authorized Representative is hereby jointly or severally authorized to take any actions necessary to comply with the requirements of the MFA and the DEQ in connection with the issuance of the Grant. The Authorized Representative is hereby jointly or severally authorized to execute and deliver such other contracts, certificates, documents, instruments, applications and other papers as may be required by the MFA or the DEQ or as may be otherwise necessary to effect the approval and delivery of the Grant.

7. The Municipality acknowledges that the S2 Grant Agreement is a contract between the Municipality, the MFA and the DEQ.

8. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are rescinded.
RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Environmental/Public Works Committee of the Board of Commissioners of St. Clair County, said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Jay M. DeBoyer
Name of Clerk
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