

March 26, 2024

Commissioner Damon Chaplin
Minneapolis Health Department
505 4th Avenue South, Suite 520
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Commissioner Chaplin,

On behalf of the City of Eden Prairie, I write today to confirm that the City intends to partner in the coalition proposal for the Twin Cities Commercial Energy Efficiency Green Cost Share Program submitted by the City of Minneapolis as the lead entity.

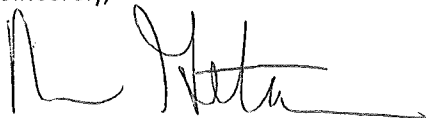
In 2020, Eden Prairie adopted a Climate Action Plan with the overall goal of carbon neutrality by 2050. It also includes specific goals for commercial and industrial energy efficiency, including having 84% of properties complete an energy-efficient retrofit by 2050. Energy efficient retrofits account for 22% of our planned commercial and industrial greenhouse gas emissions reductions by 2050. This commercial green cost share opportunity will allow us to scale up our citywide efforts to meet our goals in this sector.

The City has a full-time staff position to support implementation of the Climate Action Plan. The Twin Cities Commercial Energy Efficiency Green Cost Share Program would leverage this staff member's time by providing additional resources for commercial properties to encourage the completion of efficiency upgrades.

We plan to develop a memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the City of Minneapolis that lays out the responsibilities of each party in the coalition and will sign the MOA agreed to by all parties. This MOA will be submitted to EPA by July 1, 2024.

The City of Eden Prairie is committed to this coalition and to the work of reducing greenhouse gas emissions within our communities.

Sincerely,



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