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Forward Sioux Falls 200 N. Phillips Ave., Suite 200 Sioux Falls, SD 57104-6058 (605) 336-1620

Statement

Date: 2/28/2022 ID: 655

Eric Pauli Xcel Energy 500 W. Russell St. Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
Invoice No. 181791 Invoice Date: 01/31/2022 Forward Sioux Falls 2026 Pledge Amount Due 03/01/2022 through 02/28/2023	1.00	1.00 40,000.00	40,000.00
		Balance Due	40,000.00
		Total Due	40,000.00

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Please return a copy with your payment.

Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	120 Days	Total Outstanding
40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40,000.00

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Sioux Metro Growth Alliance

196 E 6th St, Ste 200 Sioux Falls, SD 57104 (605) 679-7149 jessef@siouxmetro.com www.siouxmetro.com



ACTIVITY Membership	AMOUNT 31,300.00
Xcel Energy PO Box 988 Sioux Falls, SD 57101	TERMS Net 30 DUE DATE 02/05/2022
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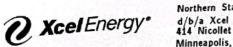
South Eastern Development Foundation

То:	Eric Pauli Xcel Energy 500 W. Russell Street Sioux Falls, SD 57104
Date: Invoice #:	June 16, 2022 2022-02
Amount:	\$10,000.00
Description:	2022 Annual Investment

Total Due.....\$10,000.00

500 N. Western Avenue, Suite 100 Sioux Falls, S.D. 57104 Phone: (605) 367-5390 Fax: (605) 367-5394

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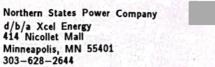
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Eric Pauli	Invoice #: 2022-0001
Xcel Energy	
500 W. Russell Street	Invoice Date: 30 September 2022
PO Box 988	
Sioux Falls, SD 57101	

Qty.	Description of Merchandise or Service	Amount
	Xcel Energy 2022 Support for: SD SBDC	\$10,000
	(No funds from this request will be used for lobbying.)	
	Total Amount Due	\$10,000

Please make check payable to: USD Foundation 414 E. Clark Street Vermillion, SD 57069

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SOUTH DAKOTA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Invoice

Date: March 9, 2022 Invoice #2022-07

To: Eric Pauli Xcel Energy PO Box 988 Sioux Falls, SD 57101

Description	Amount
2022 Governor's Office of Economic Development Conference	\$1,500
Total Due	\$1,500.00

Make checks payable to: Governor's Office of Economic Development 711 E. Wells Ave. Pierre, SD 57501

Thank you for your support of Economic Development in South Dakota!



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Sioux Falls Development Foundation 200 N. Phillips Ave. Suite #101 Sioux Falls, SD 57104

> Mr. Steve Kolbeck Xcel Energy PO Box 988 Sioux Falls, SD 57101

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 Invoicing Date:
 04/22/2022

 Member ID:
 5532

 Invoice Due:
 04/01/2022

Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
SFDF Dues	1.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
04/01/2022 to 03/31/2023			
		Total:	1,500.00
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Please verify address and provide corrections Mr. Steve Kolbeck Xcel Energy PO Box 988 Sioux Falls, SD 57101		Correct Address		Make checks payable to: Sioux Falls Development Foundation 200 N. Phillips Ave. Suite #101 Sioux Falls, SD 57104	
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Line Item	Quantity		Total
SFDF Dues	1		\$1,500.00
		Invoice Total:	\$1,500.00
		Amount Paid:	\$1,500.00
		Balance:	\$0.00

Total Payments: \$1,500.00



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Application Form

Name of community: Dell Rapids, SD				
Contact name: <u>Sheldon Jensen</u>				
Address: <u>302 E 4th St, Dell Rapids, SD 57022</u>				
Phone: (605) 607-5126 Fax: (605) 428-5969 Email: sheldonj@siouxmetro.com				
Total amount requested: \$_5,700 Total cost of project: \$_25,000				
Number of jobs created: <u>5-10</u>				
Other sources of funding: <u>Dell Rapids Economic Development Corporation</u> Amount: \$_20,000				

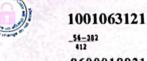
Community project description:

DREDC is looking to create a Downtown Façade Improvement Program. This would be a matching grant program for downtown building and business owners to improve the exterior of their buildings. The business would apply for up to \$5,000 in matching funds to complete a project such as residing or adding a new awning. A similar program was used in a neighboring community and \$50,000 of grants led to \$300,000 of improvements. With the assistance of Xcel Energy, DREDC would be able to put this program into action as soon as possible. More than one business has expressed interest in this program already.

Benefit to Community:

Downtown Dell Rapids is a key feature of the community. With many historic quartzite buildings, Dells stands out amongst its peers in the sense of place created in the central business district. By assisting businesses clean up their exteriors, more residents will spend time downtown, and more businesses will open up in the corridor creating more jobs for the community. Maintaining these historic buildings is often challenging and expensive.

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Application Form

Name of community: Baltic, South Dakota

Contact name: Ryan Solberg

Address: 130 St. Olaf Ave, Baltic, SD 57003

Phone: 605-630-2050 Fax: n/a Email: ryans@siouxmetro.com

Total amount requested: \$5,000 Total cost of project: \$7,000

Number of jobs created: TBD

Other sources of funding: Baltic Area Development Foundation, City of Baltic

Amount: \$2,000

Community project description:

The Baltic Area Development Foundation (BADF) would like to hire engineer firm ISG to conduct a master planning/feasibility study on creating a light industrial park on the west side of town on land that the City of Baltic had previously reserved for an additional wastewater lagoon. The study would provide a basic layout for the site, estimate costs for extending utilities, and provide wastewater alternatives for the community in lieu of a third lagoon.

The community's welcome sign on the west side of town was damaged in the recent derecho. The BADF and the City of Baltic would like to partner to have the sign repaired.

Benefit to Community:

The City of Baltic is located just under twenty miles north of Sioux Falls and has greatly benefited from that community's tremendous economic growth. Baltic's population has grown at roughly 4% annually for the past several decades, and it is one of the younger and wealthier towns in the Sioux Falls MSA as measured by median resident age and median household income. Despite this apparent success, Baltic has struggled to support its local businesses. With most of its population commuting outside of city limits

for work, there is not a large enough daytime population to support gas stations, restaurants, banks, etc. Additionally, municipal and school district budgets are strained trying to accommodate greater population growth without commercial businesses to help shoulder the tax burden. To begin addressing these issues, the Baltic Area Development Foundation (BADF) has begun looking for sites in town that would be good for light industrial development, including the location of the proposed third lagoon. The site would be adjacent to derelict light industrial parcels and close to downtown, making it a great neighborhood revitalization opportunity. The site is also close to both I-29 and SD-115, giving businesses easy access to Sioux Falls.

Additionally, welcome signs are crucial first impression to potential residents that can signal a community's values and openness to newcomers. Having thoughtfully designed, well placed, and well-kept welcome signs is an important aspect of marketing the community as the best place to live, work, and play.

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Date 10/07/22

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To The Order CITY OF BALTIC 130 ST OLAF AVE BALTIC SD 57003

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Application Form

Name of community: City of Crooks

Contact name: Tobias Schantz

Address: 701 S West Ave/Po Box 785, Crooks, SD, 57020

Phone: 605-543-5238 Fax: 605-543-6438 Email: fo@crookssd.org

Total amount requested: \$5,000 Total cost of project: \$15,000 (estimated)

Number of jobs created: None, local business provided quote

Other sources of funding: Cash reserves of municipality Amount: \$10,000 (for FY 2023)

Community project description:

During the recent expansion of residential development of the City of Crooks, the old greeting/welcome sign at the south end of town had to be removed, as it had been discovered the sign could not be used again. The goal of the municipality is to replace the sign with a new, weather-resistant sign made from laser cut steel; in addition, the new sign may include spaces for local businesses/organizations.

Benefit to Community:

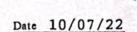
It will provide a pleasant greeting to residents and visitors to the community. The other benefit is that the sign will be resistant to inclement weather and as such future replacement should be minimized.

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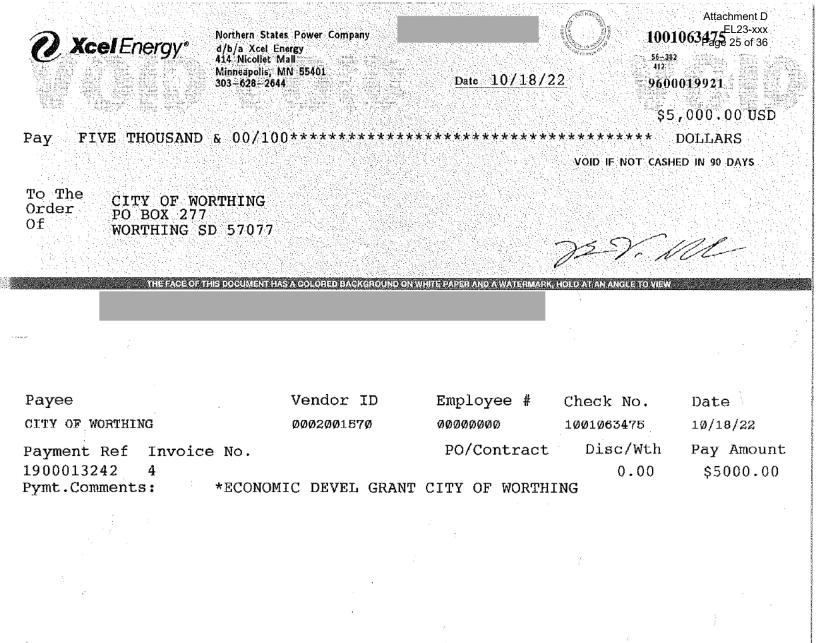
Name of community: Worthing, SD	
Contact name: Lisa Zens	
Address: 208 S Main Street	
Phone: 605-450-0715	Email: lisaz@siouxmetro.com
Total amount requested: \$5,000	Total cost of project: \$25,000
Number of jobs created: 0	
Other sources of funding: City of Worthing	Amount: \$20,000

Community project description:

Worthing is a small community that is growing quickly. The community needs amenities for the young families moving into the area and to provide a safe place for children to play. Currently the two parks on Beck Street and 3rd Street in Worthing have old, dilapidated playground equipment which creates a safety issue. Timeline on the project is to start in April 2023 and rainbow play systems ordered by January of 2023. The City of Worthing has decided on 2 different Rainbow Play systems for the upgrade to the park (attached). Total cost of project will be approx. \$25,000. The City of Worthing will put forth the rest of the funds needed to complete the playground project. This cost includes installation and mulch.

Benefit to Community:

The community would be able to utilize this playground equipment during games, community events, and create an area where families can come picnic and enjoy their time. Pictures are included of current playground. There are many important physical, social and cognitive benefits that come from unstructured play on a playground. They are an essential tool in childhood development.





January 9, 2023

Eric Pauli, Community Relations Manager Xcel Energy 500 West Russell St. Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Dear Eric,

Forward Sioux Falls greatly appreciates Xcel Energy's continued support to augment economic development efforts within the Sioux Falls area. This letter acknowledges Xcel Energy's \$40,000 investment in 2022. No portion of this investment was used for lobbying purposes.

Collaborating with the business and education communities and continuing to build upon our unified mission to make the Sioux Falls area the best place to live, work and play, Forward Sioux Falls 2026 initiatives from 2022 have set an impressive tone and will continue to be key to our region's future success in 2023. Digital impressions are created through recruitment and engagement campaigns measuring the number of touchpoints designed to "lift up" and sell Sioux Falls. In fiscal year 2022, workforce programs created 9.4 million digital impressions. Experiential programs using job shadows and internships connected early career talent to Forward Sioux Falls Investor businesses. The Career Connections program helped 87% of participating graduating seniors prepare to become first-generation college students, including eight Build Dakota Scholars.

Relationships created with post-secondary educational partners provide career advice and guidance to early career persons. In fiscal year 2022 collegiate partnerships were expanded to 304 colleges and universities and 2.4 million students due to partnerships with Handshake and the South Dakota Association of College Career Centers. In 2022, 17,312 people directly participated in programming within Talent and Workforce initiatives. We very much value Xcel Energy's generous support of Forward Sioux Falls as it is truly making a difference.

Sincerely,

Mike Lyrch

Mike Lynch, Executive Director Forward Sioux Falls

January 26, 2023

Eric Pauli Xcel Energy SENT VIA EMAIL

Dear Mr. Pauli:

On behalf of the Sioux Metro Crowth Alliance, thank you for your continued support of our organization.

Over the course of 2022, the Sioux Metro Growth Alliance achieved the following items that helped contribute to economic development in the Sioux Falls MSA:

- Grew management service from two communities to six
- Hosted the second annual Grow Smarter conference
- Added our first member community in McCook County
- Worked with dozens of prospects looking to expand or relocate
- Organized several community development planning sessions across the region

In 2022, none of your \$31,300 in membership contributions were spent on lobbying. Our board and staff are actively working to perfect our programs to ensure that our members' expectations are exceeded. In closing, we exist to serve you. If there is a project you would like us to consider or work on, please do not hesitate to reach out.

President & CEO



Innovative Business Lending Solutions

January 6, 2023

Eric Pauli, Community Relations Manager Xcel Energy 500 W. Russell St. Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Dear Eric:

Thank you for providing the South Eastern Development Foundation (SEDF) with a \$10,000 investment to help capitalize the regional revolving loan fund. During COVID, it is so important to have the resources to assist our businesses. In 2022, SEDF approved 19 economic development loans to businesses in SECOG's region which includes Clay, Lincoln, McCook, Minnehaha, Turner, and Union Counties that included:

- \$2.5 million in loan volume;
- \$20.8 million leveraged by other funding sources; and
- 106 jobs created or retained in the region.

In order to assist with providing workforce housing, SEDF's non-profit development team developed and sold:

- Governor's Houses (homes to low income individuals and families) 10
- "Recycled" Houses (homes that were relocated instead of being demolished) 7
- Rehabilitated Houses 1

These 18 homes are making an impact on housing in the region. Xcel Energy's ongoing commitment to SEDF has been a major part of its success, and we appreciate our partnership. No funds from the grant will be used in any lobbying efforts.

Sincerely,

Lynne Keller Forbes Executive Director

South Eastern Development Foundation 500 N. Western Ave., Suite 100 Sioux Falls, SD 57104 Exempt Corporation – IRS No. 30-0017659

RECEIVED FROM: Xcel Energy 500 W. Russell St. Sioux Falls, SD 57104 DATE: January 6, 2023

AMOUNT: \$10,000 DESIGNATION: Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund

SEDF did not provide any goods or services to the donor in return for this contribution.

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January 6, 2023

Eric Pauli, Community Relations Manager Xcel Energy PO Box 988 Sioux Falls, SD 57101

Hello Eric!

Thank you again for Xcel Energy's ongoing commitment to economic development in our state and region. In particular I want to thank you for your ongoing support of the South Dakota Small Business Development Center Network, which in addition to the SBDC includes the Procurement Technical Assistance Center, Manufacturing and Technology Solutions and the Small Business Innovation Research Programs.

2022 was an excellent year for activity within our network. I am proud to report that the SBDC continues to exceed our milestones. While the final numbers for December are not quite finalized, we will exceed the goals established by our Federal grant in every category: 1,243 clients (208% of goal). 108 business starts (270% of goal), 4,740 jobs supported (220% of goal), and injected \$114.8 MM of new capital (814% of goal) and our 2nd best year in our 37 year history.

As you know, federal and state funding levels continue to remain flat making investments from outside partners, such as Xcel, increasingly important. Specifically we have tasked the \$10,000 we receive from Xcel to the support of one of our business advisors in the Sioux Falls office.

You will be glad to know that in the past year, this advisor counseled 160 clients who started 18 new businesses, supported 247 jobs and injected over \$40.4MM of new capital into the Sioux Falls MSA, which is the service territory for our Sioux Falls office.

All of the Xcel funds were used to provide direct service and support to the sustainability of the organization and <u>none of the funds were used for lobbying</u>.

Eric, thank you again for Xcel's support and leadership for economic development. We look forward to another great year and our continued partnership with you. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if we can be of assistance to you or Xcel.

Sincerely.

Mark Slade, State Director South Dakota Small Business Development Center

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January 6, 2023

Eric Pauli Xcel Energy 500 W. Russell St. Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Dear Eric,

The Governor's Office of Economic Development continues to work with communities and businesses to expand and diversify our state's economy.

We saw another successful year. We facilitated 34 new projects wins with a total capital investment of over \$1.7 billion.

We thank you for your contribution of \$1500 to help support the Governor's Conference on Economic Development. Your contribution helped to cover expenses associated with the conference, specifically cash prizes to our communities of the year. None of these dollars were used for the purpose of lobbying.

We thank you for your continued partnership with GOED.

Sincerely,

Ann Gesick Johnson

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January 6, 2023

TO: Eric Pauli, Xcel Energy Community Relations Manager

FROM: Bob Mundt, SFDF President/CEO

RE: 2022 Review

Thank you Eric for your contributions to the Development Foundation in both time, talent and resources. We appreciate all that Xcel does for us and your contributions in the community.

2022 has been a year of resilience and recovery. Despite that, our community has emerged stronger and more resilient continuing to meet those challenges head on. The Foundation has had another good year of land sales, prospect development and workforce programming. Throughout 2022 we've continued to address workforce challenges and our ability to attract new and expanding companies to the region while dealing with the challenges of a crazy economy.

Through various partnerships with both the public and private sectors, the Foundation is positioned to provide the best services to our members, our clients, and our community. Board identified priorities including retention and expansion, business attraction, and workforce and talent development remain key focus areas. Leadership created a plan centered around these areas three years ago and we've developed and implemented programs to address these needs.

Partnerships with existing companies looking to grow in the Sioux Falls region have increased dramatically. The Foundation's Business Retention & Expansion initiative has paid dividends with several expansions. And the Foundation continues to work with the City on these expansion projects and infrastructure developments.

Our business attraction program has resulted in land sales in Foundation Park and Sioux Empire Development Park 8; and in new and creative marketing techniques to promote the area. Our partnership with local brokers to tap into their national networks creates additional interest from companies across the country.

We have implemented new programs to identify and attract talent to the region and build our talent from within. Many of our events are both in-person and virtual allowing us to expand our reach. A few weeks ago, our WIN in Workforce Summit brought hundreds of HR professionals, educators, and industry leaders together to share new ideas and best practices for successful talent recruitment. Talent Tours, Talent Rebound events and Talent Draft Day incorporate both formats. These events continue to provide hundreds of connections between local employers, high school and post-secondary students in an effort to promote the benefits of living and working in Sioux Falls. These efforts will continue in 2023 and we will see greater success in growing our region. While these are challenging times in growing our workforce, we believe our efforts will have far-reaching effects on the future growth and sustainability of our region.

I have included the address for our 2022 Annual Report for your reference as well:

https://siouxfallsdevelopment.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2022/11/FL_SFDF-AnnualReport2022_MH_111022.pdf

None of our funds are used for lobbying support or expenses affiliated with public policy. Our local Chamber of Commerce provides those services in the region.

Thank you again Eric for your contributions to the Foundation. We appreciate your partnership.

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January 24, 2023

RE: Xcel Energy Economic Development Grant

To Whom it May Concern;

The City of Dell Rapids applied for an Xcel Energy Economic Development Grant in September of 2022 with the assistance of the Sioux Metro Growth Alliance. The city, in partnership with the Dell Rapids Economic Development Corporation, requested funds to act as seed funding for a downtown façade improvement matching grant program.

No monies were spent in 2022, but all monies are planned to be spent in 2023. The delay is because we have allowed adequate time for businesses to apply for the program and determine which project, they are interested in applying for. The program is a dollar-for-dollar match program for exterior improvements to downtown buildings. The DREDC committed \$20,000 to the program to go along with the \$5,700 provided by Xcel Energy. Recipients will receive funding following the completion of their respective projects.

No funds have or are planned to be used for lobbying or political activities.

Sincerely

Justin Weiland Dell Rapids City Administrator

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130 St. Olaf Avenue Baltic, SD 57003

January 25, 2023

Dear Mr. Pauli,

The City of Baltic applied for an Xcel Energy Economic Development Grant in September of 2022 with the assistance of the Sioux Metro Growth Alliance. The City requested funds for two projects: the repair or replacement of the community's welcome sign that had been damaged in a storm that summer and to have an engineering firm conduct a feasibility study for the creation of an industrial park on City-owned property on the west side of town.

No monies were spent in 2022, but all monies are planned to be spent in 2023. The delay is primarily due to concerns from members of the City Council and City staff about the industrial park study. The land intended to be the focus of the study was originally set aside for an expansion of the community's wastewater treatment systems, and City leaders decided that no further action should be taken on the study until a final decision was made on how the City would handle wastewater in the future. All funds will be used to replace the damaged welcome sign. No funds have or are planned to be used for lobbying or political activities.

Thank you for this opportunity,

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Linda D. Hunnel Finance Officer

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January 6, 2023

Xcel Energy Attn: Eric Pauli 500 W Russell St Sioux Falls, SD, 57104

Subject: Use of Xcel Energy economic development grant funds

Dear Mr. Pauli:

As the City's new fiscal year has started, I wanted to keep you abreast of the City of Crooks's intended use of the grant funds Xcel Energy awarded in 2022. The City of Crooks is in the process of replacing its welcome sign and anticipates using the \$5,000 towards this project.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

All the best,

Tobias Schantz City Administrator/Finance Officer City of Crooks, SD

CC: file (electronically)

Enclosure: None

Note, none of these funds were used for lobbying purposes.



February 7th, 2023

Eric Pauli Xcel Energy SENT VIA EMAIL

Dear Mr. Pauli:

On behalf of the City of Worthing, thank you for you continued support for the community.

Worthing is a small community that is growing quickly, and the city is in need for amenities for the young families moving into the area and to provide a safe place for children to play.

- Currently the 2 parks in Worthing have old, dilapidated playground equipment which creates a safety issue. Timeline on the project is to start in April 2023.
- The community would be able to utilize this playground equipment during games, community events, and create an area where families can come picnic and enjoy their time.
- There are many important physical, social, and cognitive benefits that come from unstructured play on a playground. They are an essential tool in childhood development.

In 2022, none of your \$5,000 in membership contributions were spent on lobbying. In closing, we exist to serve you. If there is a project you would like us to consider or work on, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Crystal Jacobson Mayor

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