



City of Sunfish Lake
City Council Agenda Report

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DATE: December 9, 2025

TO: Mayor, City Council and Staff

FROM: Christy Wilcox, City Clerk/Administrator

SUBJECT: 2026 Community Waste Abatement Grant Agreement

BACKGROUND

The City of Sunfish Lake has an established recycling program and wishes to continue this program. Dakota County provides funding annually to cities for community waste abatement (recycling activities). Sunfish Lake receives recycling services via the City's recycling coordinator who also serves the cities of West St. Paul, Mendota Heights, Sunfish Lake, and Lilydale through a Joint Powers Agreement. Each year, the City's recycling coordinator applies for funding through Dakota County Community Waste Abatement Grant to effectively fund each city's recycling program for the year. Funding for this grant is used for the recycling coordinator's salary, newsletters and allows residents of Sunfish Lake to participate in events such as clean-up day, shred event and other recycling events.

Dakota County has awarded the five (5) cities \$116,667 for community abatement activities for 2026. The City of Mendota Heights is designated as the fiscal agent in the Joint Powers Agreement, which streamlines the process of paying invoices for activities related to the grant. Funding will not be received until all 5 cities have signed the grant agreement.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION

Staff recommends adopting Resolution No. 25-13, Approving the 2026 Community Waste Abatement Grant Agreement

ATTACHMENT

- Resolution No. 25-13

**CITY OF SUNFISH LAKE
DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-13

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2026 COMMUNITY WASTE ABATEMENT
GRANT AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, Dakota County offers funding on an annual basis for cities in Dakota County for community waste abatement activities; and

WHEREAS, the cities of South St. Paul, West St. Paul, Mendota Heights, Sunfish Lake, and Lilydale have a Joint Powers Agreement for recycling coordinator services; and

WHEREAS, the recycling coordinator applied for funding for community waste abatement activities in 2026 through Dakota County's Community Waste Abatement Grant; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County has awarded West St. Paul, South St. Paul, Mendota Heights, Sunfish Lake, and Lilydale \$116,667 for community waste abatement activities in the 5 cities, subject to approval of the grant agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and considered the grant agreement for Community Waste Abatement funding between the City of Sunfish Lake (with the City of Mendota Heights acting as the fiscal agent) and Dakota County for community waste abatement activities in 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNFISH LAKE, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the forms, terms, and provisions of the Agreement thereby are in all respects, hereby approved and adopted.
2. That the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign the Agreement in the name and on behalf of the City in the form hereby approved.

Adopted this 9th day of December 2025.

Dan O'Leary, Mayor

ATTEST:

Christy Wilcox, City Clerk