

\$61,357,563.00

VOICE OF TRUTH AND TRANSPARENCY TO CITIZENS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 2311

The Voice of Truth and Transparency consists of a group of citizens who want to make sure that the district 2311 voters in the upcoming referendum on “Proposed Repair and Betterment Projects” to be voted on in November 2025 will have a chance to know and understand what they are voting on.

We are a non-partisan group and are not encouraging voters to vote one way or another. We believe that the voters in this district are intelligent and can make their own decisions based on their studies of the facts on and surrounding this referendum. The only thing we ask is to bear with us until we finish our comments on the District’s Review and Comment package sent to the Minnesota Department of Education in which permission is requested to issue general obligation school building bonds. We will be covering each item in this package on a weekly basis via Farmers Independent newspaper, flyers, inserts, direct mailers and more.

This is Edition No. 2 and the topic is WHO exactly is going to pay the total cost of **\$61,357,569.00** should the referendum pass.

Let's start with:

Ag Land and Buildings 4% or \$2,454,302	Paid for by the land owners and the renters if rented, so by US.
State Aid (Ag. Credit) 11% or \$6,749,332	This is just another example of “Robbing Peter to Pay Paul” as the saying goes which creates a hole in the state budget which must then be filled by taxpayers, so by US.
Residential/Other 15% or \$9,203,635	This is directly paid by the residents so by US (please note that the number of \$5,200,00 in the “Deep Roots Flyer” sent out is incorrect as it is based on 15% of the construction costs yet claims it was “15% of the cost of the referendum.”)
Commercial/Industrial 33% or \$20,247,998	(Regional, National, such as Enbridge) When almost all FOR PROFIT endeavors have added expenses such as a tax, the company adds those expenses to the cost of their services and products to the consumer who, are one way or another, US. Enbridge is a transportation carrier and charges for moving product to a refiner who then sells the product to the service station who then sells product via a gas pump to the user who again is US.
Commercial/Industrial 37% or \$22,702,300	When almost all FOR PROFIT endeavors have added expenses such as a tax, the company adds those expenses to the cost of their services and products to the consumer who are, one way or another, US.

When a utility company has added expenses it increases it's rates to the customer who is US. (the utility may have to get approval from some regulatory agency which may take time but eventually the rate will go up to cover the added expense)

In Edition No.1 we have established the truth about the total cost of this referendum which is \$61,357,563. (note, this number does not include all of the costs associated with the first referendum that failed and all the costs of preparing this current referendum.)

In Edition No. 2 we have established the truth that it is the citizens of District 2311 who will be paying for the “Sixty One Million Three Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Three Dollar” referendum should it pass the Peoples' vote.

Edition No. 2. Please SAVE this copy for future study for yourself, family, friends and neighbors. For more information please call 612-508-4589.