

**CITY OF EAST BETHEL
EAST BETHEL, MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-80

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
FOR THE SUNRISE RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION**

WHEREAS, the City of East Bethel is a member of the Sunrise River Watershed Management Organization (“SRWMO”); and

WHEREAS, the SRWMO was established pursuant to a joint powers agreement entered into among the member communities in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 103B.201 thru 103B.255; and

WHEREAS, the SRWMO board recognized a need to update the joint powers agreement that was entered into in 2011 and worked with its attorney to develop the attached updated joint powers agreement, which includes a new approach for dividing the SRWMO’s costs among the member communities; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the member communities agreed to replace the formula previously used to divide non-operational costs with set percentages that reflect the last division generated by the formula. The parties agreed dividing the costs using fixed percentages rather than a formula was the best means of dividing non-operational costs. Additionally, the parties agreed to an equal percentage division (25% each) of operational costs; and

WHEREAS, the Updated JPA contains various other updates to help ensure it complies with the requirements under Minnesota Rules and to better reflect how the SRWMO’s actually operates; and


WHEREAS, the City Council determines it is in the best interest of the City to adopt the Updated JPA to replace the prior joint powers agreement and to provide for the continued operation of the SRWMO.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council as follows:

1. The attached Updated JPA is hereby approved.
2. The Mayor and City Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Updated JPA on the City’s behalf.

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2023 by the City Council of the City of East Bethel.

CITY OF EAST BETHEL


Kevin Lewis, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jack Davis, City Administrator

