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Sen. Kevin Engler Announces August 1 Deadline for Submitting Stabilization Projects for Consideration

State Legislative Committee Preparing to Review Possible Projects

JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. Kevin Engler, R-Farmington, is advising community leaders of work on the state level to fund local projects with the Missouri's share of federal budget stabilization funding. The Joint Committee on Capital Improvements and Leasing Oversight is in the process of compiling and reviewing a list of statewide projects for consideration.

"These federal stabilization dollars are temporary in nature, and we must make sure they are spent in a responsible way so that we are not left with a deficit down the road," said Sen. Engler. "Our current budget situation does not guarantee that there will be funds available after our obligations to the operating budget are met, but local resources could certainly benefit if funds remain."

The Joint Committee on Capital Improvements and Leasing Oversight has created a list of criteria for reviewing projects should additional uncommitted federal budget stabilization funding become available (listed below). The committee will consider projects submitted before Aug. 1.

New Construction/Renovation of State & Educational (state colleges and universities) Facilities

- Legal obligation/federal mandate/state legislation or regulation/court ruling/expansion of mission/etc.
- Economic impact (including job creation, permanent or temporary, non state employees)
- Urgency of need (condition of current facility, service to the public, safety & wellbeing concerns)
- Funding needs (matching funds available, prior funding, amount needed, does entity have outside funding streams)
- Previously appropriated state projects
- Time frame of project (when can project begin, when will project be completed)

Public Transportation (no roadways, no intersections, no sidewalks)

- Urgency of need (service to the public)
- Economic impact (including job creation, permanent or temporary, non state employees)
- Funding needs (matching funds available, prior funding, amount needed, does entity have outside funding steams)

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Technology Infrastructure (state computer needs, state programming needs, state software needs)

- Urgency of need (condition of current systems, service to the public, security concerns)
- Funding needs (matching funds available, prior funding, amount needed)
- Impact on operating costs (personnel, fuel and utilities)

Other one-time funding uses

- Legal obligation/federal mandate/state legislation or regulation/court ruling/expansion of mission/etc.
- Economic impact (including job creation, permanent or temporary, non state employees)
- Urgency of need (condition of current facility, service to the public)
- Funding needs (matching funds available, prior funding, amount needed, does entity have outside funding streams)
- Overall Cost/Benefit analysis
- Previously appropriated state projects
- Time frame of project (when can project begin, when will project be completed)

Organizations with projects that may qualify are requested to submit a brief project description (no more than 1 page), along with the timeline for completion and contact information **before Aug. 1** to: Joint Committee on Capital Improvements and Leasing Oversight, Room 503, State Capitol, Jefferson City, MO 65101. Or, submissions may be faxed to 573-751-9811 or sent via email to agiddings@senate.mo.gov or Julie.morff@senate.mo.gov.