OTTER TAIL COUNTY ORDINANCE

ESTABLISHING POWERS OF THE COUNTY EDA AND COUNTY HRA

Otter Tail County has determined to establish a County Economic Development Authority (the “EDA”) and to transfer some of the powers of the existing County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (the “HRA”) to the EDA.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This ordinance shall be known as the Otter Tail County Economic Development Authority and Otter Tail County Housing and Redevelopment Authority Powers Ordinance.

SECTION 2. EDA POWERS. As authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.094, the EDA shall have, and there is hereby transferred from the HRA to the EDA, all of the powers of a housing and redevelopment authority under Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.001 to 469.047 (the “HRA Powers”), but solely in connection with market rate housing programming activities. In the case of any specific ongoing programs or projects affected by such transfer of powers, the County Board shall observe the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.094 in order to preserve continuity in the administration of the programs or projects and may provide for the retention by the HRA of otherwise transferred programs or projects.

SECTION 3. HRA POWERS. The HRA shall retain all of its powers to establish and manage low income housing projects, Section 8 programs and other income restricted programs and projects and such other ongoing programs or projects as the County Board may determine in the interests of continuity, as well as all HRA Powers in connection with redevelopment activities.

SECTION 4. SPECIAL BENEFITS TAX. The power to levy special taxes under Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.033, Subdivision 6, may be exercised by the EDA for the purposes of the HRA Powers transferred to it and by the HRA for the purposes of the HRA Powers retained by it, subject to a combined limit of the tax permitted to be levied under Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.033, Subd. 6, or successor law. Each of the EDA and HRA shall follow the budget procedures required by that section for the exercise of its HRA Powers and the County Board may by resolution establish limits for each in order for the combined limit to be observed.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective January 1, 2019.

Adopted by the Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners on December 11, 2018, pursuant to Resolution No. 2018 - 84.

By: ____________________________
Wayne J. Johnson, Chair

Attest: __________________________
John W. Dinsmore, Clerk