10-8-26 Resolution 26-MBA-232

Purpose:

To adopt a 2027 MBA General Fund operating budget and Special Revenue Fund budget for the Minnesota Ballpark Authority.

Background:

The MBA Board reviewed the proposed 2027 General Fund operating budget of $753,000 at the Audit Committee meeting on July 16, 2026. The Board then authorized the Executive Director to submit the proposed 2027 MBA budget to Hennepin County for approval, as called for in the Grant Agreement between the Minnesota Ballpark Authority and Hennepin County. The Hennepin County Board of Commissioners reviewed the proposed budget at their September 29, 2026, board meeting and are scheduled to adopt a final budget on December 15, 2026.

No changes or amendments to the proposed MBA General Fund budget are being requested currently. The MBA is requesting a grant from Hennepin County Sales Tax in the amount of $753,000, as part of the General Fund operating budget for 2027. The General Fund budget for 2027 is shown in Schedule A, as attached.

Per the Lease Agreement between the Minnesota Ballpark Authority and Twins Ballpark, LLC, a capital reserve fund was established, upon completion of the ballpark, to account for future ballpark improvements. Annual contributions to the Twins Ballpark Capital Reserve Fund include rent from Twins Ballpark, LLC and a capital contribution from Hennepin County. Contributions from the County are provided annually in the amount of $1,100,000, indexed for inflation. The annual calculated capital contribution from Hennepin County for 2027 is $1,695,290, and annual rent from the Twins, indexed for inflation, is calculated at $1,224,703. A Ballpark Capital Reserve Fund budget for 2027 of $3,455,400 is hereby recommended and shown in Schedule B as attached.

Action Requested:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minnesota Ballpark Authority Board hereby adopts a final 2027 General Fund Operating budget of $753,000, including 2.6 Full-Time Equivalents, as incorporated herein and attached as Schedule A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Minnesota Ballpark Authority Board hereby adopts a 2027 Special Revenue Fund budget of $3,455,400, for the Ballpark Capital Reserve Fund, as incorporated herein and attached as Schedule B.

SCHEDULE A

2027 OPERATING BUDGET

GENERAL FUND

The General Fund provides for day-to-day operations of the MBA.

Budget Summary - Fund 82

	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
Beginning Fund Balance	$ 1,164,806	$ 1,155,902	$ 1,155,902
Revenues:			
County Grant	674,000	749,000	753,000
Local Grant	644	-	-
Operating Investment Earnings	40,423	-	-
Total Revenue	**$ 715,067**	**$ 749,000**	**$ 753,000**
Expenditures:			
Personal Services	511,721	530,980	545,600
Commodities	561	500	500
Contracted Services	163,505	156,320	145,700
Other	48,184	61,200	61,200
Total Expenses	**$ 723,971**	**$ 749,000**	**$ 753,000**
Ending Fund Balance	$ 1,155,902	$ 1,155,902	$ 1,155,902
Budgeted Positions (Full-Time Equivalents)	2.6	2.6	2.6

SCHEDULE B

2027 BUDGET

BALLPARK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

A Special Revenue Fund accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The Ballpark Capital Reserve Fund is a Special Revenue Fund established as required in the Ballpark Lease Agreement By and Between the Minnesota Ballpark Authority and Twins Ballpark, LLC. Revenue sources for this fund include rent from Twins Ballpark, LLC, capital contributions from Hennepin County and interest earned on investments. Expenditures from the fund are restricted to capital improvements of the ballpark.

Budget Summary - Fund 83

	2025 Actual	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
Beginning Fund Balance	$ 15,366,209	$ 14,267,038	$ 14,434,275
Revenues:			
Hennepin County Contribution	1,594,893	1,637,000	1,695,000
Operating Investment Earnings	559,766	150,000	250,000
Lease Revenue	825,819	841,274	871,200
Lease Related Interest	659,083	649,300	639,200
Total Revenue	**$ 3,639,561**	**$ 3,277,574**	**$ 3,455,400**
Expenditures:			
Capital Outlay	4,738,732	-	-
Future Capital Projects	-	3,277,574	3,455,400
Total Expenses	**$ 4,738,732**	**$ 3,277,574**	**$ 3,455,400**
Capital Outlay Projects - Use of Fund Balance			
POS & Concession Stands	2,324,069	-	-
Champion's Club Renovation	2,414,663	2,835,337	-
Building Systems and Lighting	-	275,000	
Total Use of Fund Balance	**$ 4,738,732**	**$ 3,110,337**	**$ -**
Ending Fund Balance	$ 14,267,038	$ 14,434,275	$ 14,434,275
MN Twins Rent per Agreement	$ 1,169,941	$ 1,193,162	$ 1,224,703