

2026 CAPITAL INVESTMENT REQUEST

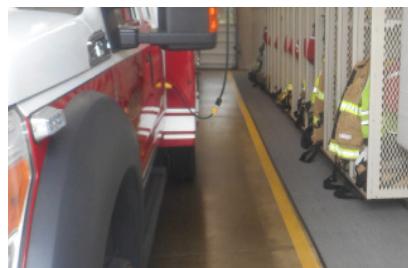
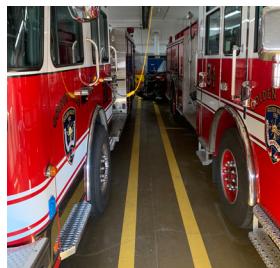
EAST FIRE STATION PROJECT - \$6.3 MILLION

The City of Golden Valley requests \$6.3 million in bonding funds to invest in a new east fire station to better serve the community and provide a regional resource for mutual aid response and training opportunities.

Golden Valley's central first-ring suburb location with direct access to four major freeways puts it in a unique position to assist other communities with emergency response services.

Golden Valley's commercial/industrial base brings an additional 30,000 people from across the metro into the city on workdays who also use public safety services.

Golden Valley's three aging fire stations are outdated, undersized for equipment and function, and do not allow for modern firefighting operations and 24/7 duty crew staffing.



Larger, modern fire equipment is a tight fit in the current buildings, and firefighters must dress adjacent to moving vehicles, where they are exposed to carcinogens from vehicle exhaust. Firefighting and rescue equipment is packed in the garages, allowing little room to maneuver and often requiring pieces to be moved before others can be accessed. Firefighting gear is crammed into limited storage areas, and inadequate locker room space lacks gender-equitable amenities.



PROJECT SUMMARY & NEEDS

To ensure long-term resiliency of the Fire Department and its operations, the City of Golden Valley proposes consolidating two remote fire stations into one new east fire station and maintaining a headquarters station in the downtown Public Safety building. Since the downtown station provides optimal coverage for the west side of the city, a main priority is locating the second station in a central, strategic location near Highway 100 and Duluth Street to provide quick freeway access and 4-minute response times to the east side of the city.

Schedule & Costs

The cost for land acquisition, relocation, project management, and construction totals \$18.1 million, which will be financed with a combination of State bonding and City bonding as shown in the chart.

PROJECT	YEAR	TOTAL COST	CITY FUNDING	STATE FUNDING
Land Acquisition/Relocation	2025–2026	\$ 4 M	–	\$ 3.127 M (allocated 2023)
Project Management	2026–2028	\$ 1 M	\$ 1 M	–
Construction	2027–2028	\$14 M	\$7.7 M	\$6.3 M (current request)
	Total	\$19 M	\$8.7 M	\$9.5 M

2026 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

KEY PRIORITY

Support Bond Allocation For East Fire Station

The City of Golden Valley has requested and received funding for Phase 1—site acquisition and due diligence—for a new east fire station. The City is currently in Phase 2 and working to secure funding that would include construction of the fire station.

OTHER PRIORITIES

- Support regulatory changes for congregate care facilities
- Ensure state financial support to all cities
- Support Sales Tax Exemption on local purchases
- Support funding for affordable and workforce housing
- Support funding for Highway 55 improvements
- Continue to adequately fund the DNR Flood Damage Reduction Program for local projects
- Support funding for Metropolitan Council Inflow/Infiltration Grants—public and private improvements
- Support City authorization of fees for Broadband in ROW

More Information

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