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MEMORANDUM

TO: Cass County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Cole Hansen, Cass County Planner

DATE: January 17, 2024

SUBJECT: Regular Agenda Topic for the February 5, 2024 Commission Meeting:
Regional Livestock Planning Grant Resolution

The Cass County Planning Department was recently contacted by Lake Agassiz Regional Council inquiring on whether Cass County would be interested in participating in a Regional Livestock Planning Grant from the North Dakota Department of Agriculture which would be administered by the Lake Agassiz Regional Council.

The purpose of this grant is to help counties and townships by identifying locations that are prime areas for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs) and Ag-related Industrial Developments (AID) and to help local officials plan and be more aware of areas that would be considered prime for development of this nature.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

To accept the attached resolution approving the agreement between Cass County and Lake Agassiz Regional Council for the purpose of Regional Livestock Planning Grant Acceptance.

RESOLUTION #2024-02

RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CASS AND LAKE AGASSIZ REGIONAL COUNCIL FOR PURPOSE OF REGIONAL LIVESTOCK PLANNING GRANT ACCEPTANCE

WHEREAS, the County of Cass on behalf of its County Commission desires to enter into Agreement with the Lake Agassiz Regional Council to apply for a Regional Livestock Planning Grant which the County is eligible. The Agreement further provides the County with identification of suitable locations for rural economic development, including animal feeding operations, agricultural processing and storage facilities and other agriculture related development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Cass County, North Dakota as follows:

1. Following completion of the site analysis process the county will review county and township zoning and land use regulations. The county may update any zoning or land use regulations based on recommendations of site analysis process. Additionally, the county will provide information to townships of said county so they may review and update zoning and land use regulations as they see fit.
2. That Chad Peterson, the Chair of the County of Cass, and Brandy Madrigga, the County Finance Director, are authorized to sign the Agreement.

Passed and Adopted by the Commission on this 5th day of February 2024.

COUNTY OF CASS

APPROVED:

Chad Peterson
Cass County Commission Chairperson

ATTEST:

Brandy Madrigga
Cass County Finance Director