

Minnesota's
Stadium Proposal

Screening Committee

Governor Pawlenty

White Earth Reservation
Red Lake Reservation

City of Falcon
Heights

Minnesota
Horticulture
Society

Minnesota
Legislature

Metropolitan
Sports Committee

Tentative Principle Tenants

Minnesota
Vikings

Minnesota
Twins

University Of
Minnesota

Minnesota Thunder

Land and Stadium Ownership

Minnesota Horticulture Society Leases Land to White Earth – Red Lake Reservation

White Earth Reservation – Red Lake Reservation
Construct and Fund Stadium

Lease Back to Minnesota Horticulture Society

Game Day Lease To

Minnesota
Vikings

University of
Minnesota

Minnesota
Twins

Minnesota
Thunder

Stadium Funding Proposal

White Earth Reservation –
Red Lake Reservation

Casino (Gaming)

Tentative Principle
Tenants

Major Events

Investors
(Suites/ Boxes)

NFL
G-3 Stadium
Funding Programs

Naming Rights

No Sales Tax
On Construction

No Public Money

Attention: Disclaimer:

We the undersigned party (known as Alpha/Omega Solutions) has no intention to lead readers of this proposal to the conclusion that we spoke to any of the parties mentioned in our proposal. We did not speak to any of them either privately or publicly nor any agents or representatives of theirs.

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January 15, 2004
Commissioner D. McElroy
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Minnesota Stadium Screening Committee
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Dear Commissioner and Screening Committee Members:

First let us introduce ourselves; we are going by the business name of Alpha/Omega Solutions. Three co-owners David Reyes, James Lawrence and Deborah Dunn. We are all Minnesota residents. David Reyes is also an enrolled member of the Minnesota White Earth Reservation. We are not lobbyist, nor politically aligned, and have no vested interest financially in any business enterprises mentioned or implied in this proposal.

Five years ago the stadium question surfaced as an issue with one of Minnesota's sports teams. About the same time another concern wanted there own stadium, two years later another. In January 2000 we (Alpha/Omega Solutions) asked ourselves, is there a practical, non tax payer solution to this? After months of research and using our own funds, we pulled plat maps of the Minnesota State Fair ground, (May 2000, exhibit C) and satisfying our own curiosity. The answer is yes.

Our research and inquiries has led us to the Minnesota State Fair grounds governed by the Minnesota Horticulture Society created by Minnesota of the statute Chapter 37.01 (exhibit A).

This statute empowered a board of directors to exercise fiduciary responsibilities to wit: paragraph 1 as highlighted in exhibit A, human skills also highlighted including the leasing of parts of the State Fair grounds.

Therefore we feel it is appropriate that this site be designated the State of Minnesota's Stadium. No land will be taken off any county's tax rolls. A majority of infrastructure is already in place highways, sewers, roads, security/police, administration, bus service, near local employees. Local property owners will only benefit by increasing property values.

Our hope is that the University of Minnesota do a land swap with the White Earth/Red Lake Tribe for the approximately 20 acres on the St. Paul Campus, Agricultural Site/State Fair need for a casino. We, A/O S, view the casinos an addenda to gaming Compacts needed, signed by the late Honorable Governor Rudy Perpich.

This compact addenda would be needed to run approximately 30 years at which time the casino would become a permanent Minnesota Indian museum. Respectfully the State of Minnesota would not entertain any private or State sanction gaming during this 30 year period.

Let the chairman and committee members be aware of a gaming concern at Hudson Wisconsin that is only **one** signature away from opening its doors.

Imagine the cash leaving the State of Minnesota due to our inaction. Let's keep Minnesota's tribes, employment, entertainment and culture healthy.

Act now. See exhibit B

Mr. McElroy and screening committee members, the Governor of Minnesota has charged you with the difficult task of finding a solution to a complex problem of stadium(s) issues. In our heart of hearts we realize the public nor user fees are able to service this debt of approximately \$1.4 billion (est). A multi user stadium is the best, and only solution.

We realize that many citizens of the State of Minnesota are against expansion of gaming but for us to retain our sports teams, national profile, convention draws, creation of jobs, we must look at a very real possibility of a Minnesota Native American Tribes or even a State run casino in the metropolitan area for the construction of a Minnesota State Fair Stadium.

As of to this date no Minnesota reservation or investors have stepped up to the plate and offered help to the citizens of the State of Minnesota. Mr.

Chairman and committee members as difficult as it is, the decisions you make today will affect at least five generations of Minnesotans to come.

Recently and mayor of a large metropolitan city also had to make a difficult choice of a new police chief.

Despite minority public opinion for person of color or a union employee or person of a particular gender, the mayor based his decision on the best qualified (person). Now the choice in this example is yours. We respectfully request the designation of QUALIFIED respondents in moving to the next phase of the process. What qualifies us to be considered to move to the next step of the process? We did our homework we have no problems working with interested parties in a parallel solution to the stadium issue.

Jobs:

Estimated 2000 + good paying jobs.

- A. Area is blighted, high unemployment ready for work force.
- B. Good union construction project.
- C. Minnesota materials, steel, granite, technology, etc., etc.

*Other stadium uses as A/O S sees it:

- Summer Olympics
- Super Bowls
- National Conventions
- World Series.
- National Pow Wows
- Minnesota's own Bowl game
- Final Four
- ☺ Sheep grazing

Conclusion

1. In Minnesota we have at least THREE Sports Enterprises Seeking funding in excess of 1.8 Billion dollars which will be basically tax payer funded. Hotel, restaurant, non sports event's taxes will detour National Conventions from choosing Metro sites.
2. As we know the general public does not want to pay for a stadium.
3. We are not advocating for ANY interested Sports Team in this proposal what is our intent is to Construct a Stadium of 100,000 seating capacity with only 70,000 seats for immediate use. This stadium would have a retractable Roof and sited on the State of Minnesota Land VIA State Fair Grounds. Exhibit "D"
4. We find the solution in Casino Gaming, whether Indian managed or State. The casino would be located possibly on land currently owned by the University of Minnesota, Adjacent to the fair grounds. Appox 20 acres would be needed.
5. Casino would have a 30 yr life and be refitted for MN Native Museum, culture center.
6. The impact of employment, services construction, convention draw and yes maybe even a world Olympics summer game event would be enormous.
7. Our solution at Alpha/Omega Solutions is that a stadium built, State managed, funded by gaming, will draw prospective tenants to this modern, very accessible site, as well to blend in the current use of Fair Ground site.
8. As mentioned in our proposal the State of Wisconsin is only one signature or court ruling from establishing a casino in Hudson, Wisconsin Exhibit "B". What a shame for State of Minnesota to allow millions and millions of dollars to cross the river when we could have a paid for Stadium at no tax payer expense.

9. We would invite any and all parties to contact us to fine tune our solution or to add their input.

10. We urge the screening committee to keep us in the process. It will remind other participants that other than their proposals Alpha/Omega Solutions is a do able plan.

Thank you

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M.S.A. § 37.01

TEXT

- ▶MINNESOTA STATUTES ANNOTATED
- ▶AGRICULTURE
- ▶CHAPTER 37. STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY; STATE FAIR
- ▶37.01. Public corporation

TEXT

The state agricultural society is a public corporation. The conveyance to the state of the land in Ramsey county described as Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Twenty-one (21) and East half (E 1/2) of East half (E 1/2) of Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4), Section Twenty-one (21), Township Twenty-nine (29), Range Twenty-three (23), is confirmed. Anything in that conveyance to the contrary notwithstanding, the state holds that land and any other property known and used as the "state fairgrounds" forever for the following public purposes: (1) exhibiting under the management and control of the society, at annual fairs and at other times determined by the society, the agricultural, stock-breeding, horticultural, mining, mechanical, industrial, and other products and resources of the state, including proper exhibits and expositions of the arts, human skills, and sciences; and (2) other uses and purposes determined by the state agricultural society, including the leasing of parts of the state fairgrounds.

TEXT

The society shall not lease any part of the state fairgrounds if the lessee is going to compete with an existing established business of auto racing within a radius of 40 miles, except during the operation of the state fair and all other public exhibitions pertinent to expositions of human art, industry, or skill. Neither the state nor the society shall ever charge or encumber this property. Any part of the state fairgrounds which is within the boundaries of a city or other political subdivision of the state is detached from the city or political subdivision. Nothing in this section exempts otherwise taxable property on the fairgrounds or the fairgrounds itself from real and personal property taxes pursuant to chapters 272 to 275 and 471.

CREDIT

CREDIT(S)

Amended by Laws 1957, Ex.Sess., c. 6, § 1; Laws 1982, c. 625, § 2; Laws 1985, c. 265, art. 2, § 1.
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EXHIBIT 'A'

Briefs**Hudson casino case goes to federal appeals court**

ASHLAND, WIS. — A federal appeals court in Chicago will hear arguments this month over three Chippewa tribes' efforts to open a casino at a defunct greyhound race track in Hudson.

The 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will hold a hearing next Friday in a dispute that centers on the constitutionality of the U.S. Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, Red Cliff Tribal Attorney Dave Ujke said Wednesday.

At stake is nearly 10 years of efforts by three northern Wisconsin bands of the Lake Superior Chippewa Tribe to develop a Las Vegas-style casino near a large population center. The Red Cliff, Lac Courte Oreilles and Mole Lake bands created a partnership to buy St. Croix Meadows Greyhound Park near Hudson and add a Las Vegas-style casino.

The Interior Department gave federal approval for the tribes to acquire the land and make it a reservation, but Gov. Scott McCallum vetoed the idea in 2001 because he opposed any expansion of gaming in Wisconsin. The tribes sued, and Judge Barbara Crabb in Madison rejected the suit in April.

The tribes contend that the provision of the federal Indian gaming law that requires the governor to approve the acquisition of off-reservation land for gaming purposes gives the governor too much power and is contrary to the federal government's trust responsibilities to the tribes, Ujke said.

Red Cliff Tribal Chairman Ray DePerry said four members of his tribal council and 17 community members will travel to Chicago for the court hearing. "We are hopeful that we can eventually get some relief in the courts for this extreme injustice," he said.

Associated Press

EXHIBIT 'B'

NO 5-3 1900
RECEIVED FROM Jim Lawrence
Sixteen and 00/100 DOLLARS
2-1/2 sections
Account Total \$ _____
Amount Paid \$ 16.00
Balance Due \$ _____ C. Bush
THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ASLAMPAD PRODUCT

RECEIPT for PLAT MAPS FAIR GROUNDS
DATED 5-3-00

EXHIBIT 'C'

THIS DRAWING IS TO BE USED ONLY FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES AND THE COUNTY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY INACCURACIES HEREIN CONTAINED.

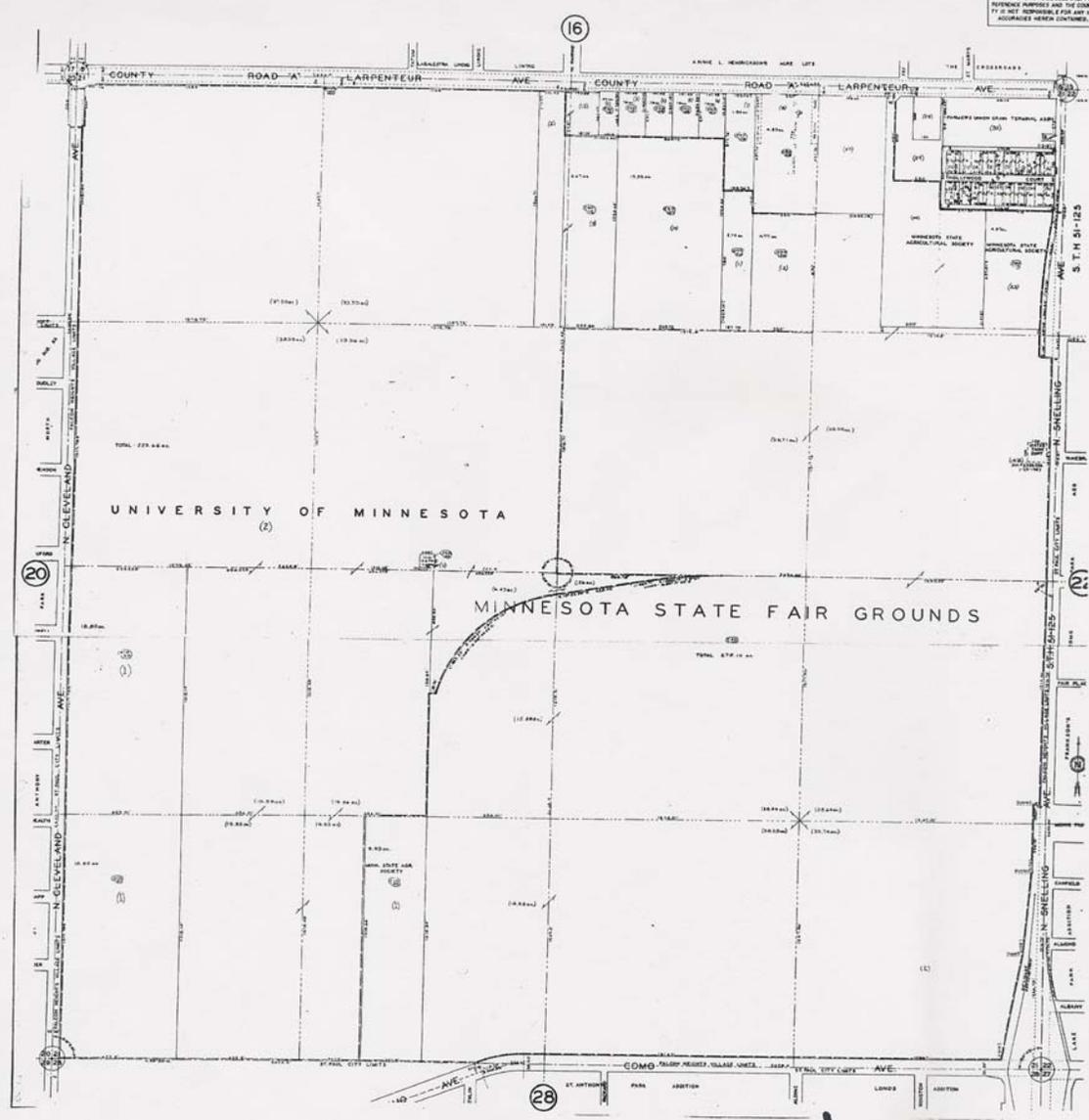


EXHIBIT 'D'