

Top Priorities: A Proposed Advocacy Framework

Issue area	Legislative platform position	Lead commissioner	Possible key legislators (RC legislators in red)	Likely committee path	Partners	AMC position
Bonding: Park at RiversEdge	Pursue	TBD	Sen. Pappas Rep. Perez-Vega (HF 1420/SF 1401)	House Capitol Investment Senate Capitol Investment	Saint Paul, St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Council, River partners	They lobby for an overall big omnibus bill; not for individual projects.
Bonding: Aldrich Arena	Pursue	TBD	Rep. Fischer Sen. T. Xiong (HF 2455/SF 2799)	House Capitol Investment Senate Capitol Investment	Community users	They lobby for an overall big omnibus bill; not for individual projects.
Capitol Complex County Host Program (CCCHP)	Pursue	TBD	Rep. Liz Lee / Hollins Senator TBD Tax chairs	House Tax Committee Senate Tax Committee	TBD. Saint Paul has been supportive on CPA formula issues.	TBD; staff have encouraged a PILT approach in the past.
Amendments to MN Statute 383A	Pursue	TBD	Rep. Liz Lee? Sen. Tou Xiong? Rep. Kaohly Her?	House Elections Finance and Gov Ops; Senate State and Local Gov; Taxes (House & Sen)	TBD	Local bill, so likely not to take any positions.
Funding extension for MAAFWCWA	Pursue	TBD	Rep. Agbaje & Sen. Champion were bill authors	House Children and Families; Senate Health	TBD	Specific to Hennepin and Ramsey Counties
Statewide homelessness funding program	Pursue	TBD	Rep. Brion Curran Sen. Z. Mohamed (HF 1914/SF 2124)	2025 bills went to Senate and House Health/Human Services	Hennepin County, other counties TBD	Supports regional approach to ending homelessness.
MNChoices reimbursement method	Leading Advocate	TBD	Rep. Noor, Sen. Hoffman, etc.	Human Services	TBD	Unclear at this time
Enhance efficiencies in Home & Community Based Services	Leading Advocate	TBD	Rep. Noor, Sen. Hoffman, etc.	Human Services	Counties	This will likely be a top priority for MACSSA
Modernize state human services systems	Leading Advocate	TBD	Committee chairs and more TBD.	House and Senate Human Services and/or House Children and Families and Senate Health	Counties	This will likely be a top priority for both AMC and MACSSA
Preserve or increase formula-based transportation funding	Leading Advocate	TBD	Rep. Koegel / Rep. Koznick; Sen. Dibble (as committee co-chairs)	Depending on bill, Taxes and Transportation.	Other metro counties on TAA funding; Hennepin County on MVLST	District 10 Transportation Group working hard on this.
Address substance abuse, mental and behavioral health needs	Support	TBD	Committee chairs and more TBD.	Health/Human Services	Counties	This will likely be a top priority for both AMC and MACSSA
Enhance public safety and reduce gun violence	Support	TBD	Public Safety Committee members	Public Safety; State and Local Govt? Health?	Saint Paul	None.
Support CUB Tax Credit	Support	TBD	Rep. Hussein; Rep. Howard; Rep. Harder Sen. Mohamed HF457/SF768	Housing, Taxes	Rethos, St. Paul, Downtown Alliance, etc.	None.
Protect counties from increased costs from SNAP and MA changes	Support	TBD	Committee chairs, and more TBD.	Health, Children and Families; State Govt?	Counties	This will likely be a top priority for AMC