



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 01/14/2026

**1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:**

Senator John N. Damoose

**2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):**

N/A

**3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:**

City of Sault Ste. Marie

**4. Physical address of legislatively directed spending item recipient and the intended location of the project or activity:**

City of Sault Ste. Marie City Hall 225 East Portage Avenue Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783. - Project Location: City of Sault Ste. Marie – Parks Department Unknown at this time

**5. The recipient's employer identification number:**

386004733

**6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:**

\$500,000.00

**7. What is the purpose and how does the legislatively directed spending item provide a public benefit that is an appropriate use of taxpayer money?**

The purpose of this project is to construct a new Parks Maintenance Building to replace the existing facility, which must be vacated due to the sale of the current parcels. The new building would provide a permanent location for parks maintenance operations, including staff workspace and secure storage for equipment, vehicles, and materials needed to maintain City parks and recreational facilities. This project provides public benefit by ensuring the City can continue to maintain its parks, trails, and public spaces in a safe, efficient, and reliable manner. A dedicated maintenance facility allows staff to respond more quickly to maintenance and safety issues, protects publicly owned equipment, and supports the ongoing care of park assets

that serve residents and visitors year-round. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports an essential public service, protects existing park infrastructure through maintenance, and helps sustain tourism as well as local recreation. A permanent facility protects equipment, makes staff more efficient, and avoids the extra costs and hassle of temporary or improvised set-ups. This way the community and visitors keep getting well-maintained parks year-round.

- 8. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received or been awarded any of the following types of funding in the past 5 years? If so, how much? Check all that apply:**

N/A

**Amount**

N/A

- 9. Estimated time frame for completion of the legislatively directed spending item project:**

May 2027 through September 2027 subject to funding availability, procurement, and regulatory requirements.

*Additional Information for Nonprofit Corporations (if applicable)*

*The answer to questions 1 to 3 must be "Yes" for the nonprofit corporation to qualify for a legislatively directed spending item.*

- 1. Has the nonprofit corporation continuously operated in this state for the preceding 36 months?**

No

- 2. Has the nonprofit corporation had a physical office in this state for not less than the preceding 12 consecutive months?**

No

- 3. Does the organization have a board of directors?**

No

- 4. List all of the officers and active members on the board of directors:**

N/A

*Certification By Sponsoring Legislator*

*"I certify that my immediate family members, legislative staff members, and I have no direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the requested legislatively directed spending item."*

*"I certify that the intended recipient of this legislatively directed spending item is not a for-profit entity."*

*"I certify that the information in this form is true to the best of my knowledge."*

*Senator John N. Damoose*