



2023 LEGISLATURE ADJOURNS

The 2023 Legislature concluded its business Monday evening, with both chambers adjourning a couple hours ahead of the constitutionally required midnight adjournment. The last day of the session was marked by agreement on a capital investment bill using general obligation bonds, which requires a two-thirds majority to pass, and passage of two bonding bills, one with general obligation bonds and a second cash bill. Legislators also passed a health and human services conference committee report, and a Nurse and Patient Safety Act bill that was a compromise bill following a first and controversial nurse staffing bill. The Legislature also passed additional funding for nursing homes, that was part of the bonding bill agreement. Legislators passed a transportation finance bill over the weekend, along with adult-use cannabis legalization and other bills. All omnibus budget bills were passed during the regular 2023 session.

Metro Cities staff will provide a comprehensive legislative update next week, highlighting legislative outcomes of interest and significance to Metro Cities.

In the meantime, please direct any questions to our office at 651-215-4000, or to patricia@metrocitiesmn.org.

Metro Cities Breakfast at LMC Annual Conference

Metro Cities will host a breakfast at the League of Minnesota Cities 2023 Annual Conference in Duluth, from **8:00-9:00 a.m. Friday, June 23. Breakfast will be held at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC)**. This is a great opportunity to connect with other metro city officials. We hope you will join us! Please visit <https://www.lmc.org/learning-events/events/league-events/2023-lmc-annual-conference/> for more information.

2023 Metro Cities Policy Committees

Metro Cities 2023 policy committee process will begin with first policy committee meetings in July, and your participation is encouraged! Committees will recommend the association's legislative policies for 2024. Participation is open to member city elected officials and staff, and committee descriptions and dates are on the [website](#). Please be sure to [sign up](#) for the committee(s) you wish to attend. This will help us keep rosters accurate. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

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