



**Property Records and
Taxpayer Services**

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Lake Elmo City Hall
City Clerk
3800 Laverne Ave. N.
Lake Elmo, MN 55042

Re: Tax Forfeited Parcels

City Clerk:

Enclosed is a classification listing of non-conservation land located in your city. The parcels described in the listing forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of property taxes. I will be requesting the County Board to classify the parcels as non-conservation at a September meeting.

As required under M.S. 282.01, we request that the City review and either approve the parcel(s) for public auction or auction to adjacent owners or request a conveyance to your city for an authorized public use or public purpose. We request a letter listing the parcel(s) approved for sale or to withhold from sale. If requesting a conveyance, contact us for specifics on required forms and other information.

Your request(s) will be contingent upon the Department of Natural Resources' approval of the classification and sale. Please keep in mind that the previous owner may still be allowed to repurchase their forfeited property at anytime during this period.

Special assessments that were levied before the forfeiture do not need to be certified to this office. They were canceled at forfeiture and will be paid from the sale price, if adequate funds are available. If the sale price is not high enough to fully pay the unpaid taxes and special assessments, some or all of the special assessments levied prior to forfeiture may be reassessed by the city. Special assessments that are levied after the forfeiture should be certified to this office. They will be added to the appraised value and paid from the sale price.

Please be advised that if the City Council fails to respond within sixty (60) days of the date of this letter, the classification and sale will be deemed to be approved by the city.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by calling 651-430-8272 or by email at steve.gransee@co.washington.mn.us

Sincerely,

Steve Gransee
Taxpayer Services Division Manager

Enc. Parcels Forfeited Listing