469.52 CITY POWERS; DUTIES.

Subdivision 1. **Port authority powers.** The city may exercise the powers of a port authority under sections 469.048 to 469.068 for purposes of implementing sections 469.50 to 469.54.

Subd. 2. **Steel products.** The city must require that a public infrastructure project use steel products made from iron ore mined from the taconite assistance area as defined in section 273.1341 to the extent practicable. In determining whether it is practicable, the city may consider the exceptions to the requirement by Public Law 111-5, section 1605.

Subd. 3. **City contracts; construction requirements.** For all public infrastructure projects, the city must make reasonable efforts to hire and cause the construction manager and any subcontractors to employ women and members of minority communities. Goals for construction contracts must be established in the manner required under the city's disadvantaged business enterprises plan.

Subd. 4. **Public bidding exemption.** Notwithstanding section 469.068 or any other law to the contrary, the city need not require competitive bidding with respect to a parking facility or other public improvements constructed in conjunction with, and directly above or below, or adjacent and integrally related to, a private development within a district.

Subd. 5. **Parking structure revenue.** Parking facilities or structures constructed must charge market rate parking fees, except for use separately negotiated between the city and a church whose parking facility is removed to accommodate construction of a parking ramp.

Subd. 6. **City utility fund contribution.** The city must use the city utility fund to finance improvements made within the district for sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water systems and other related utility improvements. The improvements must be approved by the city. The total expenditures required under this subdivision and under Laws 1980, chapter 511, section 1, subdivision 1, paragraph (d), as added by Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 6, article 10, section 7, must equal at least $10,000,000.

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