Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting $7,110,080 in funding for the City of Cottage Grove Shoppes at Cottage View project in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Cottage Grove, 8635 W Point Douglas Rd Cottage Grove, MN 55016.

Funding would be used for construction of the Shoppes at Cottage View, a 73-acre site located in the northwest corner of East Point Douglas Road and Keats Avenue (County Road 19) in Cottage Grove. The project will provide Cottage Grove many opportunities such as an improvement in the quality of life of residents by creating jobs, increasing the local tax base, providing a safe, efficient and interconnected network of local and collector streets, providing pedestrian connections to regional and local recreational amenities, public utility extensions, as well as housing opportunities for individuals at all income levels.

The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will place the 73-acre site back into productivity by being on the City’s tax rolls, as well as providing opportunities for employment, housing, and recreation, thus strengthening the local economy and providing the residents and visitors of Cottage Grove a quality of life where they can live, work, and play.

In accordance with House Rules, I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Angie Craig
Member of Congress