

XCEL ENERGY CENTER ARENA COMPLEX RENOVATION PROJECT



PROJECT SUMMARY

The Xcel Energy Center Arena Complex-comprised of the Xcel Energy Center Arena, Roy Wilkins Auditorium, and Saint Paul RiverCentre—stands as the most prolific driver of economic activity in Saint Paul. Each year, the Arena Complex attracts over 2.1 million visitors and brings in \$383 million in spending annually for the City of Saint Paul. Last year, the complex hosted nearly 400 events.

Now in its 25th year of its 25-year lifespan, a renovation is required to preserve the cityowned facility and maintain its status as an exceptional local and statewide destination. If funded, construction on the multi-phase renovation project could begin as early as 2026.

OUR OPPORTUNITY

Total Project Cost: \$769 million

Proposed Funding Breakdown:

State of Minnesota – \$394.6M (50%) Minnesota Wild – \$215.8M (30%)

Saint Paul and Local Partners – \$158.8M (20%

The Xcel Energy Center Arena Complex has not undergone any major renovations or updates since 2014 when the mid-ice screen and stadium seats were replaced.

THIS IS WHAT TRANSFORMATION LOOKS LIKE

A renovated complex is anticipated to **boost downtown spending** to an estimated \$493 million a year, with the renovation project creating approximately **2,300 union construction jobs.** When complete, it will **employ more than 5,000 people** in Saint Paul.

This transformative project will build capacity for further reinvestment in our downtown, essential for rebounding post-pandemic. We have the opportunity to create a more competitive entertainment district to attract more events.

A REGIONAL AND STATEWIDE ASSET

The Arena Complex project is a catalyst for economic growth and development, driving tourism and generating revenue for local businesses. Throughout the year, the Arena Complex hosts:

- Minnesota Wild and Minnesota Frost professional hockey teams
- Nationally touring concerts and performances
- Cultural events, citizenship ceremonies, and graduations
- State High School League athletic tournaments
- Exhibitions and trade shows