



City of Duluth

411 West First Street
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

Meeting Agenda - Final

City Council

MISSION STATEMENT: *The mission of the Duluth City Council is to develop effective public policy rooted in citizen involvement that results in excellent municipal services and creates a thriving community prepared for the challenges of the future.*

TOOLS OF CIVILITY: *The Duluth City Council promotes the use and adherence of the tools of civility in conducting the business of the council. The tools of civility provide increased opportunities for civil discourse leading to positive resolutions for the issues that face our city. We know that when we have civility, we get civic engagement, and because we can't make each other civil and we can only work on ourselves, we state that today I will: pay attention, listen, be inclusive, not gossip, show respect, seek common ground, repair damaged relationships, use constructive language, and take responsibility. [Approved by the council on May 14, 2018]*

MN Statutes, 13D.02. *Members may participate by interactive technology*

Monday, March 9, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [26-006](#) Meeting Minutes of the Duluth City Council

Attachments: [2026-02-23 City Council Minutes](#)

REPORTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

RESOLUTIONS TABLED

BY COUNCILOR RANDORF (FINANCE)

2. [26-0061R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT GIFTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 OR LESS (REPLACEMENT).

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

BY COUNCILOR RANDORF (FINANCE)

3. [26-0119R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT 24886 WITH THE GREATER DOWNTOWN COUNCIL FOR AN INCREASE OF \$44,000 OF TOURISM TAX FUNDING FOR A NEW TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$817,000.

Attachments: [Cover Memo Greater Downtown Council to 26-0119R](#)
[Exhibit A - Amendment 2 to C24886](#)

4. [26-0123R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH GREAT LAKES AQUARIUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$310,000.

Attachments: [Cover Memo Resolution 26-0123R](#)
[Exhibit A](#)

BY PRESIDENT NEPHEW (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

5. [26-0148R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT TO A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH AND ACCEPT A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,757.27 FROM THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, ACTING THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TO PROVIDE WEEKLY REQUIRED RECEPTION AND CAREERLAB DUTIES FOR STATE SERVICES FOR THE BLIND FOR THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2028.

Attachments: [Cover Memo SSB Shared Reception and CareerLab JPA Amendment](#)
[SSB Shared Reception and CareerLab JPA Amendment 1- partially signed](#)

6. [26-0164R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE DULUTH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DEDA) FOR THE HOUSING TRUST FUND AND APPROVING DEDA RESOLUTION 26D-03 AUTHORIZING DEDA EXPEND AN AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,250,000 TO SUPPORT THE HOUSING TRUST FUND

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[Document A](#)

7. [26-0168R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PLANNING STUDY OF THE I-35 CORRIDOR WITHIN THE DULUTH CITY LIMITS FROM THE RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,800,000.00.

Attachments: [Cover Memo I-35 RCP.pdf](#)
[Exhibit A.pdf](#)
[Grant Request Overview and Map.pdf](#)

BY COUNCILOR DESOTELLE (PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES)

8. [26-0153R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT L31230 WITH NORTHLAND CONSULTING ENGINEERS L.L.P. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR DESIGN OF PROJECT 2324 LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT - ENDION, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT BY \$17,680.00 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$327,100.00.

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[LSLR Endion - Northland Proposal for Change In Scope](#)

9. [26-0157R](#) RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO K&H EXCAVATING INC FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE 2026 GAS EXCESS FLOW VALVE, RISER REPLACEMENT, METER RELOCATION AND BOLLARD INSTALLATIONS PROJECT AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$594,873.23

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[bid tabulation](#)
[Locations](#)

10. [26-0159R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (USDOT) FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE AERIAL LIFT BRIDGE (BRIDGE NO. L6116) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,200,000.00.

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[Aerial Lift Bridge GIS Map](#)
[BUILD 25_MN_AerialLiftBridge_1.26.26](#)

11. [26-0165R](#) RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INC. FOR THE WOODLAND WEST RESERVOIR REHABILITATION PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,400.

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[Location Map](#)

12. [26-0166R](#) RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INC. FOR THE LAKEWOOD PUMP HOUSE ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$87,600.

Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)
[Location Map](#)

13. [26-0173R](#) RESOLUTION AMENDING CITY COUNCIL STANDING RULES TO REVISE THE ORDER OF BUSINESS, CREATE TWO SEPARATE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS, DOCUMENT THE MOST COMMON MOTIONS AND THE RULES OF DECORUM, CLARIFY THE AMENDMENT OF RULES AND UPDATE THE USE OF ELECTRONIC MAIL.

Sponsors: Johnson, Forsman and Randorf

Attachments: [Document A](#)

BY COUNCILOR JOHNSON (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

14. [26-0114R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH DULUTH ENTERTAINMENT & CONVENTION CENTER FOR THE ANNUAL PROCUREMENT AND COORDINATION OF A FIREWORKS DISPLAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH FOURTH FEST.

Attachments: [Cover Memo for Resolution 26-0114R](#)
[Exhibit A](#)

15. [26-0116R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH SPIRIT MOUNTAIN RECREATION AREA AUTHORITY FOR 2026 OPERATING EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400,000.00.

Attachments: [2026 Resolution Cover Memo 26-0116R](#)
[Exhibit A](#)

16. [26-0154R](#) RESOLUTION ACCEPTING UNCONDITIONAL MONETARY AND NON-MONETARY GIFTS FROM THE DULUTH LIBRARY FOUNDATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LIBRARY FOR 2026.

Attachments: [Cover Memo 26-0154R Duluth Library Foundation Gifts](#)

17. [26-0155R](#) RESOLUTION ACCEPTING UNCONDITIONAL GIFTS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE DULUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LIBRARY FOR 2026.
Attachments: [Cover Memo 26-0155R Friends of the Library Gifts](#)
18. [26-0156R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE TO PURCHASE ORDER 25-0648 FOR ADDITIONAL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT WITH LANDSCAPE STRUCTURES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,920.63 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$159,224.80.
Attachments: [Cover Memo - 26-0156R](#)
[Exhibit A - Original Quote](#)
[Exhibit B - Additional Items Quote](#)
19. [26-0158R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT L31283 WITH CR-BUILDING PERFORMANCE SPECIALISTS, INC., FOR ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ON THE MORGAN PARK ROOF INSULATION PROJECT, FOR AN INCREASE OF \$17,500.00 AND A NEW AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$59,500.00.
Attachments: [Cover Memo - Morgan Park Roof](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
20. [26-0160R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH THE LAKE SUPERIOR YMCA FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$106,036.95 FOR LIFEGUARDING SERVICES PROVIDED AT THE CITY'S PARK POINT BEACH HOUSE AND RECREATION AREA DURING THE 2026 OPERATING SEASON.
Attachments: [Cover Memo 2026 Lifeguard Agreement](#)
[Exhibit A](#)

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

The following entitled ordinances are to be read for the first time:

BY COUNCILOR DURRWACHTER (PURCHASING & LICENSING)

21. [26-006-O](#) ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 27-18, OF THE DULUTH CITY CODE TO CHANGE THE MOBILE FOOD TRUCK LICENSING PERIOD.
Attachments: [Cover Memo](#)

BY COUNCILOR JOHNSON (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

22. [26-008-O](#) AN ORDINANCE DEDICATING A PERPETUAL EASEMENT TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC OVER AND ACROSS CITY-OWNED PROPERTY FOR TRAIL AND OTHER RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

Attachments: [Cover Memo-Lakewalk Easement](#)
[Exhibit A-Ordinance](#)

COUNCILOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

COUNCILOR PREVIEW OF UPCOMING BUSINESS