

## Alyssa Bryant

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**To:** Alyssa Bryant  
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**From:** Steve Timmer [mailto:stimmer@planetlawyers.com]  
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**To:** Council <Council@duluthmn.gov>  
**Subject:** ALJ hearings for PolyMet

Dear Mayor and Members of the Council,

I urge your earnest consideration and adoption of the resolution to call for administrative law judge hearings on the PolyMet permitting issue.

We already do this for many siting/permitting issues. This is a determination, especially, that ought not be cloaked within the confines of the Land and Minerals Division of the DNR. And contrary to the editorial in the Duluth News Tribune, the adequacy finding on the FEIS is NOT a determination that the mining would be safe.

The City of Duluth and its citizens are the largest downstream stakeholders in the permitting process. Great progress, at great expense, has been made in cleaning up the St. Louis River estuary. It would be madness to reverse course now.

I don't live in Duluth, but it's a great town and a great area, attractive to many to visit and life. Please do what you can to protect the treasure you have.

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