



City of Duluth

411 West First Street
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

Minutes - 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]*

Monday, January 13, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Councilor Azrin Awal, Councilor Wendy Durrwachter, Councilor Arik Forsman, Councilor Janet Kennedy, Councilor Mike Mayou, Vice President Lynn Nephew, Councilor Tara Swenson, President Terese Tomanek and Councilor Roz Randorf

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Standing nomination for Terese Tomanek for President - Passed Unanimously.
Standing nomination for Lynn Nephew for Vice President - Passed Unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [25-005](#) Meeting Minutes of the Duluth City Council

Indexes:

Attachments: [2024-12-17, Minutes](#)

REPORTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

REPORTS FROM OTHER OFFICERS

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS OF COUNCIL OPEN ISSUES

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

CONSENT AGENDA

BY COUNCILOR FORSMAN (FINANCE)

- 2. [25-0020R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A \$8,116,359 GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER UTILITY REVENUE NOTE, SERIES 2025A, AND PROVIDING FOR ITS PAYMENT.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

[Exhibit B](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR DURRWACHTER (PURCHASING & LICENSING)

- 3. [25-0018R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF NETWORK SWITCH REPLACEMENTS FROM PARAGON DEVELOPMENT SYSTEMS, INC. FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$258,353.80.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

- 4. [25-0029R](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY ON SALE LIQUOR LICENSES TO VARIOUS LICENSEES.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Attachment A](#)

[Attachment B](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR NEPHEW (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

- 5. [25-0005R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFERRING \$112,000 CDBG FUNDS FROM SOAR CAREER SOLUTIONS TO TRUE NORTH GOODWILL

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

6. [25-0023R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AND ACCEPT \$5,000 IN FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY TO SUPPORT PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION EFFORTS OF A REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE DULUTH LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Grant Contract Duluth Workforce Development Board DRAFT 1.3.2025](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

7. [25-0004R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO RENEW AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DULUTH HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WHEREBY CITY OFFICIALS ACCEPT \$17,500 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO THE TENANT LANDLORD CONNECTION PROGRAM OPERATED BY ONE ROOF COMMUNITY HOUSING AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONE ROOF COMMUNITY HOUSING TO OPERATE THE TENANT LANDLORD CONNECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,250.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A TLC Resolution](#)
[Exhibit B TLC Resolution](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY PRESIDENT RANDORF (COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

8. [25-0030R](#) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2025.

Indexes:

Attachments: [2025 Council Assignments](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR MAYOU (PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES)

9. [25-0017R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A T880 VACTOR TRUCK FROM MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, INC FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$638,260.00.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

10. [25-0025R](#) RESOLUTION AMENDING CONTRACT NUMBER L30712 WITH NORTHLAND CONSULTING ENGINEERS, LLP. TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE CHESTER PARK DRIVE ALLEY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT BY \$90,600 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$156,340.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Map](#)
[Revised Chester Park Drive Alley CA](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR SWENSON (PUBLIC SAFETY)

11. [25-0001R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, IN AN AMOUNT TOTALING \$1,246,603.00 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH ST LOUIS COUNTY TO PROVIDE SOCIAL WORKER SERVICES FOR THE PROJECT ENTITLED "2024 COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID, STIMULANT, AND SUBSTANCE USE SITE-BASED PROGRAM (COSSUP)".

Indexes:

Attachments: [Document A - Award Letter](#)
[Document B - Partner Agreement](#)
[Document C - Award Budget](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

12. [25-0002R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,486 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PARTNER AGREEMENT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Document A - Award Package](#)
[Document B - Partner Agreement](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

13. [25-0003R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SERVE AS FISCAL AGENT FOR AND ACCEPT REIMBURSEMENT MONIES ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE SUPERIOR VIOLENT OFFENDER TASK FORCE, SAID REIMBURSEMENT MONIES TO BE PAID UNDER THE MINNESOTA ANTI-HEROIN TASK FORCE PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING THE OPERATIONS OF THE LAKE SUPERIOR VIOLENT

OFFENDER TASK FORCE

Indexes:

Attachments: [Document A - BCA AHTF - LSVOTF JPA Renewal 2024](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

14. [25-0008R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$999,268 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH PROGRAM FOR AID TO VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE 2024 SAKI PROJECT.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Document A - Award Letter](#)
[Document B - Partner Agreement](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

15. [25-0013R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DULUTH AND THE LAKE SUPERIOR TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT TEAM FOR THE FY 2025 TOWARD ZERO DEATHS ENFORCEMENT GRANT PROVIDING FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN COSTS.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Document A - Amendment](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

16. [25-0014R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY TO PERFORM POLICE SERVICES PURSUANT TO FISCAL YEAR 2023 OPERATION STONEGARDEN GRANT OPERATIONS ORDER AND ACCEPTING REIMBURSEMENT THROUGH ST. LOUIS COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,476.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Document B - Partner Agreement](#)
[Exhibit A - Cover Sheet \(nonpublic data\)](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

17. [25-0015R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF EIGHT 2025 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTORS FROM TENVOORDE FORD, INC. FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$356,783.52

Indexes:

Attachments: [2025 Fleet - Tenvoorde Ford #10083](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR AWAL (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

18. [25-0016R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT L31036 WITH ALLIANCE FOR ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR SPIRIT MOUNTAIN UPPER CHALET (PHASE 2) FOR AN INCREASE OF \$52,000 AND A NEW TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,299,710.00.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

19. [25-0022R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ARROWHEAD YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION FOR USE OF OFFICE SPACE IN THE WHEELER FIELDHOUSE FOR ITS OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1-Resolution](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

20. [25-0024R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH ARROWHEAD YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION FOR THE USE AND OPERATION OF THE CITY'S JEAN DULUTH, ARLINGTON AND GARY-NEW DULUTH SOCCER FIELDS.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1-2025 Amendment](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

The following entitled resolutions are also to be considered:

BY COUNCILOR AWAL (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

21. [25-0021R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FIVE-YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA FOR USE OF SPACE ON PARK POINT FOR ITS AQUATIC CENTER/BOAT SHED

AND WATER-BASED RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1-Resolution](#)

This Resolution was adopted.

Abstains: Councilor Mayou

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

BY COUNCILOR AWAL (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

22. [24-072-O](#) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DULUTH AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT FEDERAL AND STATE OF MINNESOTA GRANTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DULUTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND SKY HARBOR AIRPORT AND TO EXECUTE GRANT DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY FOR YEAR 2025.

This Ordinance was adopted.

COUNCILOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

COUNCILOR PREVIEW OF UPCOMING BUSINESS