



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, February 24, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chamber

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [25-010](#) Meeting Minutes of the Duluth City Council

Indexes:

Attachments: [2025-02-10](#)

These Minutes were approved.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

CONSENT AGENDA

BY COUNCILOR FORSMAN (FINANCE)

2. [25-0123R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT 24886 WITH THE GREATER DOWNTOWN COUNCIL FOR AN INCREASE OF \$65,000 OF TOURISM TAX FUNDING FOR A NEW AMOUNT OF \$773,000.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR DURRWACHTER (PURCHASING & LICENSING)

3. [25-0113R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF POLARIS LIBRARY SYSTEMS LICENSE RENEWALS AND MAINTENANCE FOR 2025 FROM INNOVATIVE INTERFACES, INC. FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$52,551.22.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

4. [25-0118R](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF THE ON-SALE BREWING TAPROOM AND OFF-SALE BREWERY LICENSES OF WARRIOR BREWING COMPANY, LLC

Indexes:

Attachments: [Attachment A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

5. [25-0119R](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY ON SALE LIQUOR LICENSES TO VARIOUS LICENSEES

Indexes:

Attachments: [Attachment A](#)
[Attachment B](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

6. [25-0124R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CONTINUED ANNUAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE, AND USER LICENSING FOR THE ENTERPRISE LEVEL LASERFICHE DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FROM CITIES DIGITAL INC. FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$57,496.50

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

7. [25-0127R](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF AN ON SALE

COMBINATION WINE & BEER LICENSE TO FALASTIN, LLC

Indexes:

Attachments: [Attachment A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

8. [25-0128R](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PERMANENT EXPANSION OF THE DESIGNATED SERVING AREA ASSOCIATED WITH THE ON-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE OF JUST TAKE ACTION, INC.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Attachment A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR AWAL (PERSONNEL)

9. [25-0122R](#) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF FRANK MESSINA TO THE SPECIAL BOARD OF REVIEW.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY VICE PRESIDENT NEPHEW (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

10. [25-0130R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SEVENTH AMENDMENT TO GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION BOND MASTER GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (DEED) FOR THE DULUTH REGIONAL EXCHANGE DISTRICT PROJECT.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1-Res re 7th Amend](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR MAYOU (PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES)

11. [25-0111R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF FIVE OPERATOR INTERFACE TERMINALS FROM PRIMEX FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$72,961.00.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

12. [25-0120R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF COLD MIX ASPHALT FROM MONARCH PAVING COMPANY TO BE USED BY

STREET MAINTENANCE IN THE YEAR 2025 FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$63,000.00

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

13. [25-0121R](#) RESOLUTION AMENDING CONTRACT L31052 WITH SHORT ELLIOT HENDRICKSON INC. TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE "LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT - LINCOLN PARK 4" PROJECT, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT BY \$29,400.00 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$361,470.00.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

14. [25-0125R](#) RESOLUTION AMENDING A CONTRACT WITH LHB, INC. TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE REPAIRS BRIDGE NO. 69509 OVER I-35, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT BY \$28,335 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$59,880.

Indexes:

Attachments: [240049 NW Passage Repairs - CA 2025-02-07 Resolution Map](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

15. [25-0133R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SIXTH AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GREENE ESPEL, PLLP, EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT TO DECEMBER 31, 2025.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

BY COUNCILOR SWENSON (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

16. [25-0126R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A USE, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DULUTH AND DULUTH FRIENDS OF TENNIS INC. FOR THE LONGVIEW TENNIS COURTS.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

17. [25-0129R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH JOHNSON

WILSON CONSTRUCTORS INC. FOR STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS
AND BUILDING REPAIRS AT WADE STADIUM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO
EXCEED \$712,407.00.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

The following entitled resolutions are also to be considered:

BY COUNCILOR FORSMAN (FINANCE)

18. [25-0132R](#) RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE EVALUATION OF THE LONG-TERM
FUTURE OF THE DOWNTOWN PUBLIC SKYWALK SYSTEM.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

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

BY VICE PRESIDENT NEPHEW (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

19. [25-001-O](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN
REAL PROPERTY IN THE GARY-NEW DULUTH NEIGHBORHOOD TO
JOTO, LLC FOR \$4,620.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1-Ordinance](#)

This Ordinance was adopted.

COUNCILOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

COUNCILOR PREVIEW OF UPCOMING BUSINESS