



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 27, 2023

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Councilor Gary Anderson, Councilor Azrin Awal, Councilor Noah Hobbs, Councilor Terese Tomanek, Vice President Roz Randorf and President Janet Kennedy

Absent: 3 - Councilor Hannah Alstead, Councilor Arik Forsman and Councilor Mike Mayou

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [23-018](#) Meeting Minutes of the Duluth City Council

Indexes:

Attachments: [2023-02-13, Minutes](#)

This Minutes was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING - 23-0042R & 23-0044R: Confirming Assessment Rolls

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 VICE PRESIDENT RANDORF (FINANCE)

- 2. [23-0042R](#) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR SUPERIOR ST RECONSTRUCTION

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

**This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou**

- 3. [23-0044R](#) RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR GAS MAIN FOR RIVERWEST KAYAK BAY

**This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou**

- 4. [23-0164R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERFUND LOAN FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND IN AN AMOUNT OF \$1,963,768 TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR LAKE FRONT RESTORATION PROJECTS.

**This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou**

BY COUNCILOR ALSTEAD (PURCHASING & LICENSING)

- 5. [23-0139R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A THREE-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CR-BUILDING PERFORMANCE SPECIALIST INC. (CR-BPS), FOR FACILITY STRATEGIC PLANNING SERVICES AND UTILITY TRACKING & ENERGY MANAGER SUPPORT FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$50,000 AND A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.

Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

- 6. [23-0158R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ANNUAL RENEWALS TO AN AGREEMENT WITH GRANICUS, INC., FOR SOFTWARE AND MANAGED SERVICES FOR AN ANNUAL ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$55,000.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

BY COUNCILOR AWAL (PERSONNEL)

- 7. [23-0143R](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE EXISTING CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION OF SEASONAL GROUNDSKEEPER.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

BY COUNCILOR ANDERSON (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

- 8. [23-0155R](#) RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO SELL OR CONVEY CERTAIN PROPERTY NEAR THE DULUTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A-Map](#)
[Exhibit B-Mortgage Release](#)
[Exhibit C - Letter of Conformity](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

- 9. [23-0169R](#) RESOLUTION RESCINDING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION NO. 22-1068; RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO SELL OR CONVEY CERTAIN PROPERTY NEAR THE DULUTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

BY COUNCILOR MAYOU (PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES)

- 10. [23-0138R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF DELIVERED CLASS 5 GRAVEL, 3/4-INCH CRUSHED WASHED ROCK AND WASHED SAND FROM DULUTH READY MIX, INC. FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO

EXCEED \$482,362.

**This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou**

11. [23-0148R](#) RESOLUTION DEDICATING A PERPETUAL UTILITY EASEMENT TO THE CITY OF DULUTH IN ITS PROPRIETARY CAPACITY OVER, UNDER, AND ACROSS PROPERTY IN THE PLAT OF LESTER PARK FOURTH DIVISION.

Indexes:

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

**This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou**

12. [23-0149R](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO NORTHLAND CONSTRUCTORS OF DULUTH, INC. IN COOPERATION WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF MORRIS THOMAS ROAD (CSAH 56) FROM PIEDMONT AVENUE TO HAINES ROAD (CSAH 91), WITH A CITY SHARE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,322,456.75.

**This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou**

BY COUNCILOR TOMANEK (PUBLIC SAFETY)

13. [23-0147R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH CY-CON, INC. FOR STRUCTURAL REPAIRS TO THE LIBRARY/DEPOT PARKING RAMP FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$157,659.

**This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou**

BY COUNCILOR HOBBS (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

14. [23-0161R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT L30521 WITH LHB, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL AND COASTAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR DULUTH LAKEWALK AND BRIGHTON BEACH, FOR AN INCREASE OF \$98,940.00 AND A NEW TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$446,827.00.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

15. [23-0162R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR UP TO \$8,200,000 FOR A REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY GRANT FOR RESILIENT REHABILITATION OF THE LAKEWALK.

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

16. [23-0163R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE CHESTER BOWL IMPROVEMENT CLUB TO PROVIDE \$125,000 FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE CROSSING CHESTER CREEK

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

The following entitled resolutions are also to be considered:

BY COUNCILOR HOBBS (RECREATION, LIBRARIES & AUTHORITIES)

17. [23-0150R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH NEOO PARTNERS INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SERVICES RELATED TO RENOVATION OF THE DULUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,335.00.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

18. [23-0151R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MSR DESIGN FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES RELATED TO RENOVATION OF THE DULUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$214,658.00.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

- 19. [23-0157R](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE DULUTH LIBRARY FOUNDATION TO ACCEPT A CONTRIBUTION UP TO \$150,000 TO HELP PAY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A COMMUNITY-INFORMED PRE-DESIGN FOR CONVERSION OF THE DOWNTOWN LIBRARY TO A MULTI-PUPROSE, REGIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1-Resolution](#)

This Resolution was adopted unanimously.
Absent: Councilors Alstead, Forsman and Mayou

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

BY COUNCILOR ANDERSON (PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

- 20. [23-007-O](#) AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING 230 EAST FOURTH STREET AS A DULUTH HERITAGE PRESERVATION LANDMARK.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Attachment 1](#)

This Ordinance was read for the first time.

- 21. [23-008-O](#) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY NEAR THE DULUTH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO THE DULUTH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR NOMINAL CONSIDERATION.

Indexes:

Attachments: [Exhibit 1-Map](#)

This Ordinance was read for the first time.

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

BY VICE PRESIDENT RANDORF (FINANCE)

- 22. [23-005-O](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING DULUTH CITY CODE SECTION 41-32

MODIFYING COUNCIL APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS FOR
NON-COMPETITIVELY BID CONTRACTS.

A motion was made that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 4 - Councilor Anderson, Councilor Awal, Councilor Hobbs and Councilor Tomanek

Nay: 2 - Vice President Randorf and President Kennedy

Absent: 3 - Councilor Alstead, Councilor Forsman and Councilor Mayou

COUNCILOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

COUNCILOR PREVIEW OF UPCOMING BUSINESS