



## Legislation Text

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### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH DULUTH AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION FOR USE AND OPERATION OF THE CITY'S OUTDOOR HOCKEY FACILITIES AND ADJOINING PROPERTIES.

#### CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to enter into a three-year agreement, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit 1, with Duluth Amateur Hockey Association for the use and operation of the city's outdoor hockey facilities and adjoining property.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes a three-year agreement with Duluth Amateur Hockey Association ("DAHA") for the use and operation of the city's outdoor hockey facilities and adjoining property to provide youth programming for boys and girls ages 3-10 and to create and maintain rinks that are to be used by the general public at no cost. DAHA has used and operated these facilities for many years under previous agreements. There is no usage fee associated with this agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement, DAHA will operate its youth hockey program at the various rinks, together with pleasure rinks to be used by the general public. DAHA is responsible for the scheduling, cleaning, and routine maintenance of the rinks and facilities, including daily operation of the buildings and snow and ice removal for the walkways to the ice rinks and related spaces. In addition, DAHA is responsible to flood and maintain all of the hockey rinks subject to the agreement. DAHA operates its youth hockey program between November 1 and March 31 of each playing season.

This agreement aligns management of the rinks at Lower Chester Park with management of other rinks throughout the city by assigning the City of Duluth, rather than the nonprofit Neighbors of Lower Chester Park organization, to oversee the neighborhood hockey association's seasonal use of hockey facilities at the site.