



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT TO THE ARROWHEAD REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR A PORTION OF THE COST OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT RELATED TO THE I-35/BAYFRONT AREA TRAFFIC MODELING AND SPECIAL EVENT TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN PROJECT.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to reimburse the Arrowhead Regional Development Commission in the amount of \$15,000 for the city's share of the cost of the I-35/Bayfront Area traffic modeling and special event traffic control plan project to be performed by Alliant Engineering. The contract is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Upon completion of the project the city will receive one or more copies of the final report and the rights to reproduce and use the study at will. \$12,000 is payable from Parking Fund 505, Department/Agency 015 (Public Administration), Division 1480 (Off Street Parking), Object 5319 (Other Professional Services) and \$3,000 is payable from Fund 506 (425 West Superior Street Parking Facility), Department/Agency 015 (Public Administration), Object 5319 (Other Professional Services), city project no. 1767.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution will authorize a payment contribution of up to \$15,000 toward the completion of an I-35/Bayfront Area traffic modeling and special event traffic control plan project being undertaken by the Arrowhead Regional Development Commission (ARDC) at the request of the city engineering division. An RFP was done and a resulting professional services agreement will be entered into between the ARDC and Alliant Engineering. Other stakeholders contributing to the project include the Duluth Economic Development Authority, the Duluth Seaway Port Authority, and MnDOT. The purpose of the modeling and traffic control plan project is to identify short and long term solutions with preliminary cost estimates to address several different stakeholder concerns in the area. These include mitigating and managing congestion during high-turnout special events at Bayfront Park; improving parking operations and wayfinding, and modeling different roadway configuration scenarios. The goal of this work is to test several traffic control layouts and parking operations early this winter during DECC and Bayfront Park Events in the upcoming season, with final recommendations following in the spring of 2019. A map with the study area boundary is attached hereto as Exhibit B.