Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A LAKE SUPERIOR COASTAL PROGRAM GRANT OF \$50,000 FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A ST. LOUIS RIVER CORRIDOR NATURAL AND CULTURAL INTERPRETIVE PLAN.

## CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to submit an application to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for a Lake Superior Coastal Program grant of \$50,000 for development of a St. Louis River Corridor Natural and Cultural Interpretive Plan.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the city of Duluth has the legal authority to apply for the money, and financial, technical and managerial capacity to ensure proper planning and maintenance of the project.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the city of Duluth will provide the required 1:1 match through half-and-half tourism tax funds.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Duluth city council names the fiscal agent for this project as Wayne Parson, City of Duluth Chief Financial Officer, 411 West First Street, Duluth, MN 55802.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes application to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for a Lake Superior Coastal Program grant of \$50,000 for development of a St. Louis River Corridor interpretive plan.

The scope of this project will be preparation of a plan of research for interpretation of the full 10-mile length of the existing and proposed Western Waterfront Trail in west Duluth. Development of an interpretive plan will lay the foundation for future communication of this historic and culturally significant area. The plan development will include public and stakeholder engagement. The trail corridor and associated green spaces will provide a unique experience for trail users of all abilities to learn, honor, and celebrate the rich history along the St. Louis River estuary. The planning process and final product will include creation of a core team of local advisors, identification of overall goals and issues, consensus building on themes and messages, identification of target audience, development of visitor experience objectives, and development of implementation strategies and associated cost estimates.

The city will meet the required 1:1 match through half-and-half tourism tax funds allocated for this project.