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City of Duluth

Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE LOVE YOUR BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM THROUGH CITIES OF SERVICE, TO PROVIDE RESOURCES TO REDUCE BLIGHT AND CLEAN UP ABANDONED WASTE.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the city of Duluth herby announces intent to apply for a Love Your Block grant through Cities of Service to help alleviate the negative impacts that vacant, abandoned, and deteriorating properties have on neighborhoods.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are authorized to apply for, and if approved, accept a Love Your Block Grant.

FURTHER RESOLVED, The grant award is for a two-year Fellow position (\$30,000 per year) to run the program, \$40,000 for program implementation and neighborhood-led mini-grant projects, technical assistance, and up to two AmeriCorps members per year. No city match is required.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The Love Your Block program grant program will focus on helping cities partner with community groups and activate resident volunteers to repair, remediate, or otherwise address blight in their neighborhoods. The City will identify priority projects and award mini-grants to support neighborhood-driven solutions. Blighted properties include, but are not limited to, single family homes, apartment buildings, commercial buildings, vacant lots, parks, and other public spaces.