

Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO CREATE AN OPIOID REMEDIATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND DEDICATED FOR THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS.

CITY PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota, Minnesota counties and cities, and their people have been harmed by misconduct committed by certain entities that engage in or have engaged in the manufacture, marketing, promotion, distribution, or dispensing of an opioid analgesic;

WHEREAS, the investigations and litigation with Johnson & Johnson, AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, and McKesson have resulted in National Settlement Agreements with those companies, which the State of Minnesota has committed to join;

WHEREAS, State of Minnesota has instructed the Directing Administrator to calculate the intrastate allocations pursuant to its State-Subdivision Agreement, the Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement;

WHEREAS, the City of Duluth is a participating Local Government receiving Opioid Settlement Funds through direct distribution;

WHEREAS, every participating local government receiving Opioid Settlement Funds through direct distribution shall create a separate special revenue fund that is designated for the receipt and expenditure of Opioid Settlement funds.

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to create an Opioid Remediation special revenue fund 211 dedicated for the receipt and expenditure of opioid settlement funds.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The City of Duluth is a participating local government receiving distribution of Opioid settlement funds. The City is required to create a separate special revenue fund, not commingled with any other money or funds of the City, designated for the receipt and expenditure of Opioid Settlement funds. The State of Minnesota has instructed the Directing Administrator to calculate the intrastate allocations for payment of National Settlement funds. The City's allocation percentage is 1.15021153799%. The City of Duluth's year one payment allocation in the amount of \$82,491.65 was received on October 17, 2022. Approved uses for the opioid remediation funds shall mean forward-looking strategies, programming, and services to abate the opioid epidemic and are consistent with the terms of the National Settlement Agreements and Bankruptcy Resolutions.