

Council Agenda Item 26-0085R



MEETING DATE: February 9, 2026

SUBJECT/TITLE: 26-0085R; A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO ENTER INTO A SUB-RECIPIENT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709 DULUTH ADULT EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SERVICES FUNDED THROUGH THE STATE OF MINNESOTA'S PATHWAYS TO PROSPERITY, DRIVE FOR FIVE, AND WOMEN'S ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT GRANT PROGRAMS.

SUBMITTED BY: Mallory Dalquist, Duluth Workforce Development, Information Technician

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:

Duluth Workforce Development has partnered with Independent School District #709 Duluth Adult Education (DAE) numerous times over the years on various grants. Two recent sub-recipient agreements authorized by City Council are detailed below.

February 14, 2022 – City Council passed a resolution authorizing sub-recipient funding agreements with DAE for employment and training services through the Pathways to Prosperity Grant Program in the amount of \$92,620.

February 26, 2024 – City Council passed a resolution authorizing sub-recipient funding agreements with DAE for employment and training services through the Pathways to Prosperity Grant Program in the amount of \$68,570.

BACKGROUND: Pathways to Prosperity grants require partnership with an Adult Basic Education provider as part of the program model, and Duluth Workforce Development has partnered with Duluth Adult Education for more than 10 years to implement career pathway training funded under these and other grants. As part of P2P Bridge and Drive for 5, DAE will provide academic readiness and support as well as supplemental literacy and math training that is contextualized to what students will be learning through college instruction. As part of P2P Individualized, Drive for 5, and WESA, DAE will complete reading and math assessments that are required prior to participant enrollment to demonstrate readiness for success in a college program.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: Execution of this subrecipient agreement will result in the disbursement of not more than \$54,630 across State Fiscal Year 2026 and State Fiscal Year 2027 for the grantee's performance of its obligations under the Program Grants.

OPTIONS: Authorize the subrecipient agreement for DAE to provide employment and training services for \$54,630 over the course of two program years or forego authorization declining to provide the designated employment and training services for our program participants.

NECESSARY ACTION: Authorize the subrecipient agreement

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A - ISD #709 DAE P2P, WESA, Drive for Five SFY26 & SFY27 - Sub-recipient Agreement