



Council Agenda Item 25-0975R

MEETING DATE: 12/15/2025

SUBJECT/TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH DULUTH CROSS-COUNTRY SKI CLUB FOR THE USE AND OPERATION OF THE LESTER-AMITY CHALET.

SUBMITTED BY: Bridget Erickson, Parks & Recreation

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:

15-0055R – Resolution authorizing an agreement with Duluth Cross-Country Ski Club for the development, management, and operation of the Lakeview Sports Chalet, now known as the Lester-Amity Chalet.

BACKGROUND: The Lester-Amity Chalet, formerly known as the Lakeview Sports Chalet, is located along Seven Bridges Road near Lester Park and Amity Creek and is used by the community as a trail hub year-round. The City entered into an agreement with the Duluth Cross-Country Ski Club (DXC) in 2015, and this agreement expires at the end of 2025. Both parties wish to enter into a new agreement for the years 2026-2030 for the ongoing operation and management of the Lester-Amity Chalet.

DXC will continue coordinating and providing programs for the community year-round, such as cross-country ski programs, hikes, and volunteer events. They will also maintain the building and grounds at the Chalet.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: There is financial benefit to the City in having a third party manage and be financially responsible for all maintenance of the facility.

OPTIONS: Approve the agreement and maintain continued operation of the Lester-Amity Chalet or decline to approve.

NECESSARY ACTION: Approve.

ATTACHMENTS: Agreement with Duluth Cross-Country Ski Club