

Council Agenda Item 26-0123R



MEETING DATE: February 23, 2026

SUBJECT/TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH GREAT LAKES AQUARIUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$310,000.

SUBMITTED BY: Patti Stalvig, Purchasing Agent

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: n/a

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: Resolution 25-0805R was approved on October 14, 2025 allocating tourism taxes for this agreement.

BACKGROUND: This is an aquarium that is run by a third-party but ultimately owned by the City of Duluth. Council has annually approved tourism tax funding for this entity through resolutions.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: The funds allocated are budgeted from the 2026 tourism tax funds.

OPTIONS: Approve the resolution and assist the Aquarium in their efforts to bring tourist to the area; deny the resolution and services and programs at the Aquarium may be reduced or limited.

NECESSARY ACTION: Approve the resolution.

ATTACHMENTS: Agreement