

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

14-0451R

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING LAKEWALK TASK FORCE.

BY COUNCILORS SIPRESS AND LARSON:

RESOLVED, that the city council shall establish a lakewalk task force for the purpose of reviewing and making recommendations regarding the lakewalk in the vicinity of 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue East and 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue East ("study area"). The task force shall examine and make recommendations regarding the following issues:

- Safety issues at the intersection of the lakewalk, 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue East and Water Street;
- Pedestrian access to the lakefront in the study area;
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) issues in the study area; and
- The cost, benefits, and funding sources of potential options.

FURTHER RESOLVED, bicycle and other wheeled traffic should be directed along Water Street as specified in the city's application to the Minnesota department of transportation for transportation alternative funding for a lakewalk shared use plan along Water Street.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the task force shall consist of six members, with one of the members being a resident of the Ledges development, one member being a resident of the Point or Lighthouse properties (aka "Beacon Point" development), one member being a representative of the Friends of the Lakewalk, two members being citizens-at-large, and one non-voting member being a city councilor who shall act as liaison between the task force and the city administration. All six members shall be appointed by the Duluth city council president.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the task force shall produce a preliminary report summarizing its progress by December 1, 2014 and a final report containing its findings and recommendations to the Duluth city council no later than January 15, 2015. The council president has the discretion to modify all reporting deadlines. The reports shall be delivered to the council by way of the clerk. The members shall serve without compensation. Reasonable expenses, approved by the Duluth

city council president and finance director, within the existing budget, shall be paid.

Approved as to form:

  
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Attorney

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution establishes a lakewalk task force to provide the city council with information and recommendations as to the best options available to connect the lakewalk between 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue East and 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue East.