

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

08-0689R

RESOLUTION INCLUDING CHANGES TO CHARITABLE GAMBLING LAWS
IN MINNESOTA TO THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR 2009.

BY COUNCILOR STAUBER:

WHEREAS, many local charitable gambling organizations have seen significant losses in revenues and have been unable to fund charitable causes as they have in the past that are so important to many people in our community; and

WHEREAS, these organizations believe they could be more profitable if the state would allow other lawful gambling options for their patrons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the city council requests that the proper city officials add to the legislative agenda a request that the city of Duluth requests the Minnesota state legislature, local legislative delegates and our professional lobbying team, amend the rules and statutes governing charitable gambling to allow additional games or practices.

Approved as to form:

Attorney

CC REQUEST GBJ:blj 11/3/2008

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution requests charitable gambling laws be amended at the state to allow additional gaming. Not for profit organizations currently participating in charitable gambling have seen a significant decrease in revenues and believe that by providing other lawful games for patrons to play will ultimately increase their revenue and their ability to fund charitable causes. This resolution will add the request to our legislative agenda along with other communities across Minnesota for the 2009 legislature to act upon.