

RECREATION, LIBRARIES AND AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

09-0283R

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH DULUTH
SISTER CITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$34,000.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the Duluth City Council hereby finds as follows:

(a) Sister city relationships stimulate community interest in culture, history, art and the study of foreign languages; open new dialogues with people of another culture to find unique solutions to municipal problems therefore improving the quality of life for citizens of Duluth; promote Duluth tourism; advertise the city of Duluth; provide invaluable learning and educational experiences for Duluth citizens; provide an opportunity for improving local relations through working together for a common objective; promote trade and stimulate the local economy by associating local products with the city marketing name (branding); and provide doors through which Duluth's citizens can experience and come to understand other countries and their people and cultures, thus furthering global understanding and world peace; and

(b) The city desires to participate in sister city relationships between the city and cities of other countries in part through participation in Sister City International which participation includes international exchanges of citizen visits, correspondence, artwork, culture, music and education; and

(c) The city has deemed it to be in the public interest to provide funding to the Duluth Sister Cities International, Inc., (DSCI) for these services.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to enter into a service agreement, substantially in the form of that on file in the

office of the city clerk as Public Document No. _____, with DSCI in an amount not to exceed \$34,000, payable from Fund 258, Agency 030, Account 5436-05.

Approved:

Approved for presentation to council:

Department Director

Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:

Approved:

Attorney

Auditor

ATTY JMC:blj 4/21/2009

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes an annual service agreement with DSCI pursuant to which DSCI will provide services related to participation in sister city relationships including Sister Cities International.