

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

09-0391R

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO AMEND AND EXECUTE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT NO. 20604 WITH THE DULUTH ENTERTAINMENT AND CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MINNESOTA SLIP PEDESTRIAN DRAW BRIDGE DURING YEAR 2009 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,200.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that city officials are hereby authorized to amend and execute Joint Powers Agreement No. 20604 with the Duluth entertainment and convention center authority for the operation of the Minnesota Slip Pedestrian Draw Bridge not to exceed \$34,200 for year 2009, terms net 30, payable from General Fund 110, Department/Agency 500, Organization 1930-2310, Object 5455.

Approved:

Approved for presentation to council:

Director, Public Works & Utilities
Purchasing Agent ____

Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:

Approved:

Attorney

Auditor

PWU/PRCH DS:le 6/3/2009

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes the renewal and execution of city contract 20604 with the Duluth entertainment and convention center authority (DECC) for the operation of the Minnesota Slip pedestrian bridge during year 2009 for an amount not to exceed \$34,200, payable from the general fund.

The contract period runs from January 1, 2009, through October 19, 2009. The new annual increase is based on the 2009 implicit price deflator (IPD) of 1.13 percent for governmental purchases as determined by the state of Minnesota.

The city published the last original request for proposals (RFP) in November of 2005 and invited eight vendors to submit RFPs. The DECC was the only vendor who submitted a proposal. Both parties signed a contract for the 2006 and 2007 operating seasons.

Then, in 2008, both parties determined to continue the contract with two significant changes:

- (a) Automatic renewal each year with city council approval if neither party receives a termination notification by November;
- (b) Yearly contract increases limited to the implicit price deflator (IPD) for governmental purchases as determined by the state of Minnesota.

This new contract (20604) was signed early in 2008.

The DECC has been operating the pedestrian draw bridge for the city since 2001.

Requisition No. 08-0269