

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

09-0612R

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO ENTER INTO AN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$850,300 FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2009, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 13, 2012.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement, substantially in the form of that on file with the office of the city clerk as Public Document No. \_\_\_\_\_, with the federal department of energy to accept an energy efficiency and conservation block grant in the amount of \$850,300 to be deposited into Fund 257 for the period of September 14, 2009, through September 13, 2012.

Approved:

Approved for presentation to council:

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Department Director

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Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:

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Attorney

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Auditor

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes the proper city officials to execute an assistance agreement with the U.S. department of energy for acceptance of an energy efficiency and conservation block grant (EECBG) in the amount of \$850,300. The EECBG program was established by Congress in 2007 and funds were appropriated to the program by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 (federal stimulus program). Duluth was allocated a block grant in the amount of \$850,300 and submitted an application with its energy efficiency and conservation strategy in June 2009 outlining its proposed use of block grant funds; we received approval of such on September 14, 2009.

Whereas no local match is required for acceptance of the block grant, it is estimated that the four projects funded by the grant will leverage an additional \$388,157 of local investment. The four energy-savings projects are: 1) Consolidation of the city's data center; 2) Energy audits of 85 city-owned buildings; 3) Purchase and installation of GPS technology in the city's fleet; and 4) One year funding for a city energy coordinator.