

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

09-0671R

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL
MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD NOVEMBER 3, 2009.

CITY PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2009, there was held in the city of Duluth, pursuant to the provisions of Laws of Minnesota, 1973, Chapter 281, and the provisions of Section 51 of the Duluth City Charter, a general municipal election for the purpose of electing certain city officers and submitting to the voters two referendum questions; and

WHEREAS, the judges of the election precincts in the city have made their returns of said election, and the city council, acting as a canvassing board, has duly canvassed said returns (Public Document No. _____) at 7:00 p.m., November 9, 2009, and ascertained the number of ballots cast at said election and thereby declared that at said election, said votes having been cast in the following manner:

(a) That for the offices of councilor at large, Becky Hall received 8,256 votes, Dan Hartman received 9,322 votes, Beth Olson received 8,851 votes, James Stauber received 9,045 votes and candidates receiving write-in votes as indicated on the canvassing board report;

(b) That for the office of councilor, second district, Patrick Boyle received 2,543 votes, Rob Wagner received 668 votes and candidates receiving write-in votes as indicated on the canvassing board report;

(c) That for the office of councilor, fourth district, Kerry Gauthier received 1,932 votes, Gordon Grant received 1,779 votes and candidates receiving write-in votes as indicated on the canvassing board report;

(d) That for City Ballot Question 1 - *Should the Duluth City Charter be amended to provide the mayor the ability to appoint a communications and policy officer and a community relations officer and allow the job specifications for each position be established by city council resolution?* - there were 10,797 "yes" votes and 7,431 "no" votes;

(e) That for City Ballot Question 2 - *The Duluth City Charter currently requires a city employee to take a leave of absence from city employment in order to run for any political office (except for a position on the board of education for the city of Duluth). Should the Charter be amended to require any permanent, full-time city employee to take a leave of absence from city employment only when running for the office of Mayor of the city of Duluth or city councilor for the city of Duluth but not for any other political office.* - there were 9,044 "yes" votes and 9,069 "no" votes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Dan Hartman and James Stauber, having received the highest numbers of the votes cast at said election for the offices of councilor at large, are hereby declared duly elected for a term of four years.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Patrick Boyle, having received the majority of all votes cast at said election for the office of councilor, second district, is hereby declared duly elected for a term of four years.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Kerry Gauthier, having received the majority of all votes cast at said election for the office of councilor, fourth district, is hereby declared duly elected for a term of four years.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that City Ballot Question 1 received a majority of positive responses and is hereby declared to be approved by the electors voting upon such question and is hereby declared to be operative and in full force, pursuant to the provisions of Section 51 of the Duluth City Charter.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that City Ballot Question 2 received a majority of negative responses and is hereby declared to be disapproved by the electors voting upon such question.

Approved as to form:

Attorney

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution declares the results of the general municipal election held November 3, 2009.