

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FEDERAL BORDER INTEROPERABILITY DEMONSTRATION GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY THE NORTH EAST REGIONAL RADIO BOARD FOR IMPROVING RADIO INTEROPERABILITY WITHIN OUR BORDER COUNTIES AND ON OUR INTERNATIONAL BORDERS WITH CANADA.

CITY PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, there is a public safety need to provide radio communication interoperability within our border counties and along our borders with Canada; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has made available a demonstration grant called the border interoperability demonstration grant program (BIDP); and

WHEREAS, the BIDP grant will allow us to develop a means of communication interoperability between Minnesota and Canadian public safety agencies along our international border, at our international ports and within border counties; and

WHEREAS, the regional radio board has worked with the state of Minnesota, department of public safety, the counties within the regions and the jurisdictions within the counties to complete a comprehensive application for this grant.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Duluth City Council hereby supports the grant application as needed and necessary for the citizens of our region and the public safety agencies serving those citizens.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is the intention of the city, upon the approval of this grant, to assist the regional radio board with the management and implementation of the grant.

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 expresses support for the north east regional radio board's application for a grant under the federal government's border interoperability demonstration grant program (BIDP) to develop communication interoperability between Minnesota and Canadian public safety agencies. There is no required city match to the grant.