

FINANCE COMMITTEE

13-0583R

REPLACEMENT

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF \$3,835,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL EQUIPMENT NOTES, SERIES 2013A; ESTABLISHING THE TERMS AND FORM THEREOF; CREATING A DEBT SERVICE FUND THEREFOR; AND AWARDING THE SALE THEREOF.

CITY PROPOSAL:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the city council of the city of Duluth, Minnesota (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. Notes Purpose and Authorization.

1.01 Under and pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 410.32(g) and 412.301 and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475 (collectively, the "Act"), and the City Charter, the City is authorized to issue its general obligation capital equipment notes to provide funds to purchase capital equipment having an expected useful life at least as long as the term of the capital equipment notes.

1.02 The city council adopted Resolution No. 12-0594R on December 3, 2012 (the "Intent Resolution"), declaring the intention of the City to issue such capital equipment notes in the maximum amount of \$4,419,300 to finance the purchase of capital equipment authorized by the Act plus costs of issuance and discount on such capital equipment notes. It is hereby certified that the amount of the capital equipment notes to be issued by the City pursuant to this resolution is less than 0.25% of the estimated market value of the taxable property of the City.

1.03 The city council hereby determines that it is necessary and expedient to issue \$3,835,000 General Obligation Capital Equipment Notes, Series 2013A, of the City (the "Notes") to provide funds to purchase capital equipment authorized by the Act, to pay certain expenses incurred in the issuance of the Notes and to pay a portion of the interest cost of the issue, as allowed by Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.56. The capital equipment to be purchased with the proceeds of the Notes will have a useful life of more than the term of the Notes.

1.04 Public Financial Management, Inc., financial consultant to the City, has given notification by mail, facsimile or electronic data transmission to at least five firms determined by Public Financial Management, Inc. to be prospective bidders on the Notes at least two days (omitting Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays) before the date set for receipt of bids on the Notes.

1.05 Pursuant to such solicitation for bids for the sale of the Notes, the city council has received and considered all bids presented pursuant to the official terms of offering and has determined that the most favorable bid is that of Stifel, Nicolaus & Co., Inc. of Memphis, Tennessee (the "Purchaser"), to purchase the Notes at a cash price of \$3,944,326.35, upon condition that the Notes mature and bear interest at the times and annual rates set forth in Section 2. The City, after due consideration, finds such bid reasonable and proper and the bid of the Purchaser is hereby accepted. Upon receipt of the good faith deposit, the mayor and the city clerk are authorized and directed to execute on the part of the City a contract for the sale of the Notes in accordance with the Purchaser's bid. The city treasurer is directed to deposit the good faith check of the successful bidder. All actions of the mayor and the clerk and Public Financial Management, Inc., independent financial advisor to the City, taken with regard to the sale of the Notes are hereby ratified and approved.

Section 2. Terms, Execution and Delivery of the Notes.

2.01 The Notes to be issued hereunder shall be dated the date of delivery, as the date of original issue, shall be issued in the denomination of \$5,000 each, or any integral multiple thereof, in fully registered form and lettered and numbered R-1 and upward. The Notes shall mature on February 1 in the respective years and amounts stated and shall bear interest as follows:

Year	Amount	Interest Rate
2015	\$730,000	2.00%
2016	750,000	2.00%
2017	770,000	2.00%
2018	785,000	2.00%
2019	800,000	2.00%

2.02 The Notes are not subject to redemption and prepayment before maturity.

2.03 The interest shall be payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 and in each year (each referred to herein as an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing August 1, 2014. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The Bond Registrar designated below shall make all interest payments with respect to the Notes by check or draft mailed to the registered owners of the Notes shown on the bond registration records maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the 15th day (whether or not a business day) of the month next preceding the Interest Payment Date at such owners' addresses shown on such bond registration records.

2.04 The Notes shall be prepared for execution in accordance with the approved form and shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signature of the mayor and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the city clerk. In case any officer whose signature or a facsimile of whose signature shall appear on the Notes shall cease to be an officer before delivery of the Notes, such signature or facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, as if he or she had remained in office until delivery. The city clerk is authorized and directed to obtain a copy of the proposed approving legal opinion of Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A., Duluth, Minnesota, which is to be complete and cause the opinion to be attached to each Note.

2.05 The city council hereby appoints Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as registrar, authenticating agent, paying agent and transfer agent for the Notes (such bank or its successor is herein referred to as the "Bond Registrar"). To provide for the Bond Registrar services, the mayor and the clerk are authorized and directed to execute a bond registrar/paying agent agreement substantially in the form of the agreement currently on file in the office of the city clerk as public document No. 04-0219-02. No Note shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose until the Bond

Registrar's authentication certificate on such Note, substantially set forth in Section 2.11 hereof, shall have been duly executed by an authorized representative of the Bond Registrar. Authentication certificates on different Notes need not be signed by the same representative. The manual signature of one officer of the City or the executed authentication certificate on each Note shall be conclusive evidence that it has been authenticated and delivered under this resolution.

2.06 (a) In order to make the Notes eligible for the services provided by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), the City has previously agreed to the applicable provisions set forth in the blanket issuer letter of representations which has been executed by the City and DTC (the "Representation Letter").

(b) Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, so long as the Notes shall be in Book-Entry Form, the provisions of this Section 2.06 shall govern.

(c) All of the Notes shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. Payment of interest on and principal of any Bond registered in the name of Cede & Co. shall be made by wire transfer or New York Clearing House or equivalent same day funds by 10:00 a.m. CT or as soon as possible thereafter following the Bond Registrar's receipt of funds from the City on each Interest Payment Date to the account of Cede & Co. on each Interest Payment Date at the address indicated in or pursuant to the Representation Letter.

(d) DTC (or its nominees) shall be and remain recorded on the Bond Register as the holder of all Notes which are in Book-Entry Form. No transfer of any Bond in Book-Entry Form shall be made, except from DTC to another depository (or its nominee) or except to terminate the Book-Entry Form. All Notes of such stated maturity of any Notes in Book-Entry Form shall be issued and remain in a single note certificate registered in the name of DTC (or its nominee); provided, however, that upon termination of the Book-Entry Form pursuant to the Representation Letter, the City shall, upon delivery of all Notes

of such series from DTC, promptly execute, and the Bond Registrar shall thereupon authenticate and deliver, Notes of such series to all persons who were beneficial owners thereof immediately prior to such termination; and the Bond Registrar shall register such beneficial owners as holders of the applicable Notes.

The Bond Registrar shall maintain accurate books and records of the principal balance, if any, of each such outstanding Note in Book-Entry Form, which shall be conclusive for all purposes whatsoever. Upon the authentication of any new note in Book-Entry Form in exchange for a previous note, the Bond Registrar shall designate thereon the principal balance remaining on such note according to the Bond Registrar's books and records.

No beneficial owner (other than DTC) shall be registered as the holder on the Bond Register for any Note in Book-Entry Form or entitled to receive any note certificate. The beneficial ownership interest in any Note in Book-Entry Form shall be recorded, evidenced and transferred solely in accordance with the Book-Entry System.

Except as expressly provided to the contrary herein, the City and the Bond Registrar may treat and deem DTC to be the absolute owner of all Notes of each series which are in Book-Entry Form (i) for the purpose of payment of the principal of and interest on such Note, (ii) for the purpose of giving notices hereunder, and (iii) for all other purposes whatsoever.

(e) The City and the Bond Registrar shall each give notices to DTC of such matters and at such times as are required by the Representation Letter, including the following:

- (i) with respect to notices of redemption; and
- (ii) with respect to any other notice required or permitted under this Bond Resolution to be given to any holder of a Note.

All notices of any nature required or permitted hereunder to be delivered to a holder of a Note in Book-Entry Form shall be transmitted to beneficial owners of such Notes at such times and in such manners as shall be

determined by DTC, the participants and indirect participants in accordance with the Book-Entry System and the Representation Letter.

(f) All payments of principal, redemption price of and interest on any Notes in Book-Entry Form shall be paid to DTC (or Cede & Co.) in accordance with the Book-Entry System and the Representation Letter in same day funds by wire transfer.

2.07 The City shall cause to be kept by the Bond Registrar a bond register in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as the Bond Registrar may prescribe, the City shall provide for the registration of the Notes and the registration of transfers of the Notes entitled to be registered or transferred as herein provided. In the event of the resignation or removal of the Bond Registrar or its incapability of acting as such, the bond registration records shall be maintained at the office of the successor Bond Registrar as may be appointed by the city council. Upon surrender for transfer of any Note at the principal corporate office of the Bond Registrar, the City shall execute and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate, if required by law or this resolution, and deliver, in the name(s) of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Notes of the like aggregate principal amount, as requested by the transferor.

2.08 Each Note delivered upon transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Note shall carry all of the rights to interest, accrued and unpaid and to accrue, which are carried by such other Note. Each Note shall be dated by the Bond Registrar as of the date of its authentication. The City and the Bond Registrar shall not be required to make any transfer or exchange of any Notes called for redemption or to make any such exchange or transfer of the Notes during the 15 days next preceding the date of the first publication of the notice of redemption in the case of a proposed redemption of the Notes.

2.09 The City and the Bond Registrar may treat the person in whose name any Note is registered as the owner of such Note for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and interest on such Note and for all other purposes

whatsoever, whether or not such Note be overdue, and neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

2.10 The principal of and interest on the Notes shall be payable by the Bond Registrar, as paying agent, in such funds as are legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America. The City shall pay the reasonable and customary charges of the Bond Registrar for the disbursement of principal and interest.

2.11 The Notes shall be printed or typewritten in substantially the following form:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS

CITY OF DULUTH

GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL EQUIPMENT NOTE, SERIES 2013A

R-___ \$ _____

Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Date of Original Issue	CUSIP
	February 1, ____	December __, 2013	

REGISTERED OWNER: CEDE & CO.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

The City of Duluth, in St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "City"), for value received, promises to pay to the registered owner specified above, or registered assigns, the principal amount specified above on the maturity date specified above, and to pay interest on said principal amount to the registered owner hereof from the Date of Original Issue, or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, until the principal amount is paid or discharged, said interest being at the rate per annum specified above. Interest is payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 of each year (each referred to herein as an "Interest Payment Date") commencing on August 1, 2014. Both principal and interest are payable in lawful money of the United States of America by check or draft at the office of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as the registrar, paying agent, transfer agent and authenticating agent (the "Bond Registrar"), or at the office of such successor bond registrar as may be designated by the city council. The Bond Registrar shall make the interest payment with respect to this Note on the Interest Payment Date directly to the registered owner hereof shown on the bond registration records maintained on behalf of the City by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding the Interest Payment Date (whether or

not a business day), at such owner's address shown on said bond registration records, without, except for payment of principal on the Note, the presentation or surrender of this Note, and all such payments shall discharge the obligations of the City to the extent of the payments so made. Payment of principal shall be made upon presentation and surrender of this Note to the Bond Registrar when due. For the prompt and full payment of such principal and interest as they become due, the full faith and credit of the City are irrevocably pledged.

The City has designated the Note as a qualified tax-exempt obligation pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

This Note is one of a series issued by the City in the aggregate amount of \$3,835,000, all of like date and tenor, except as to number, amount, maturity date and interest rate, pursuant to the authority contained in Minnesota Statutes, Sections 410.32(g) and 412.301 and Chapter 475, the City Charter and all other laws thereunto enabling, and pursuant to an authorizing resolution adopted by the governing body of the City on December 5, 2013 (the "Resolution"), and is issued for the purpose of providing money, together with other available funds, for the purchase of capital equipment. The City has levied a direct, annual ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City which shall be extended upon the tax rolls for the years and in the amounts sufficient to produce sums not less than five percent in excess of the amounts of principal and interest on the Notes, as such principal and interest respectively come due. The Notes are not subject to redemption and prepayment before maturity.

The Notes of this series are issued as fully registered obligations without coupons, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Subject to limitations set forth in the Resolution, this Note is transferable by the registered owner hereof upon surrender of this Note for transfer at the principal corporate office of the Bond Registrar, duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar and executed by the registered owner hereof or the owner's attorney duly authorized in writing. Thereupon the City shall execute and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate, if required by law and this Resolution, and deliver, in exchange for this Note, one or more new fully registered Notes in the name of the transferee, of an authorized denomination, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of this Note, of the same maturity and bearing interest at the same rate.

IT IS CERTIFIED AND RECITED that all acts and conditions required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota to be done, and to exist precedent to and in the issuance of this Note in order to make it a valid and binding general obligation of the City in accordance with its terms, have been done and do exist in form, time, and manner as so required; that all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City is subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes to the extent needed to pay the principal hereof and the interest thereon when due, without limitation as to rate or amount; and that the issuance of this Note does not cause the indebtedness of the City to exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation.

This Note shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under the Resolution until the Bond Registrar's Authentication Certificate hereon shall have been executed by the Bond Registrar by one of its authorized representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the city of Duluth, by its city council, has caused this Note to be executed in its name by the facsimile signatures of the mayor and the city clerk.

Attest:

City Clerk

Mayor

Date of Authentication: _____

BOND REGISTRAR'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

The Bond Registrar confirms that the books reflect the ownership of a Note registered in the name of the owner named above, in the principal amount stated above, and this Note is one of the Notes of the series issued pursuant to the Resolution hereinabove described.

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Bond Registrar

By _____
Authorized Representative

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

This Note must be registered as to both principal and interest in the name of the owner on the books to be kept by Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, as Bond Registrar. No transfer of this Note shall be valid unless made on said books by the registered owner or the owner's attorney thereunto duly authorized and similarly noted on the registration books. The ownership of the unpaid principal balance of this Note and the interest accruing thereon is registered on the books of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Bond Registrar, in the name of the registered owner last noted below.

Date	Registered Owner	Signature of Bond Registrar
12/__/2013	Cede & Co. c/o The Depository Trust Company 570 Washington Blvd. Jersey City, NJ 07310 Federal Taxpayer I.D. No.: 13-2555119	_____

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto _____

(Name and Address of Assignee)

Social Security or Other
Identifying Number of Assignee

the within Note and all rights thereunder and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint _____ attorney to transfer the said Note on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____.

NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name of the registered owner as it appears upon the face of the within Note in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

Signature Guaranteed:

(Bank, Trust Company, member of
National Securities Exchange)

Unless this Note is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the City or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment, and any Note issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL, inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.
Section 3. Covenants, Accounts and Representations.

3.01 The City has created a separate acquisition account within the Capital Equipment Fund 250 to which there shall be credited \$3,939,300 from the proceeds for the Notes, together with any additional funds which may be available and are appropriated for the capital equipment purchase program. This account shall be used only to pay or reimburse other City funds or accounts for "capital

equipment," as described in Minnesota Statutes, Section 412.301, with an expected useful life of at least the term of the Notes, and costs of issuance of the Notes, as such payments become due. The City's intent is to acquire and finance the capital equipment listed in the Intent Resolution with the proceeds of the Notes.

3.02 (a) There shall be and is hereby levied a direct, annual, ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City, which shall be extended upon the tax rolls for the years and in amounts sufficient to produce sums not less than five percent in excess of the amounts of principal and interest on the Notes as such principal and interest respectively become due as follows:

Levy Year	Collection Year	Tax Levy
2013	2014	\$856,655
2014	2015	852,705
2015	2016	857,955
2016	2017	857,535
2017	2018	856,800

(b) A separate debt service account is hereby created and designated as the "2013 G.O. Capital Equipment Notes Debt Service Account" (the "Debt Service Fund") within the City's debt service fund. The money in the Debt Service Fund shall be used for no purpose other than the payment of principal and interest on the Notes; provided, however, that if any payment of principal or interest shall become due when there is not sufficient money in the Debt Service Fund, the treasurer shall pay the same from any other funds of the City and said funds shall be reimbursed for such advance out of the proceeds of the taxes hereinafter levied when collected. Into the Debt Service Fund shall be credited the amount of accrued interest, if any, and the rounding amount (\$5,026.35) paid by the Purchaser upon closing and delivery of the Notes.

3.03 If the balance in the Debt Service Fund is ever insufficient to pay all principal and interest then due on the Notes, the treasurer shall nevertheless provide sufficient money from any other funds of the City which are available for that purpose, and such other funds shall be reimbursed from the

Debt Service Fund when the balance therein is sufficient. All proceeds of said taxes will be appropriated and paid when collected into the Debt Service Fund. Said taxes shall be irrevocable until the Notes and interest are fully paid, except that if the City in any year shall make an irrevocable appropriation to said accounts of monies actually on hand, the city clerk shall certify to the county auditor of St. Louis County the fact and the amount thereof, and the county auditor shall reduce by the amount so certified the amount otherwise to be included in the rolls next thereafter prepared.

3.04 The full faith and credit and taxing power of the City are irrevocably pledged for the prompt and full payment of the Notes and the interest thereon, in accordance with the terms set forth in this resolution.

3.05 Proceeds of the Notes on deposit in the acquisition account created in Section 3.01 and in the Debt Service Fund may, in the discretion of the city treasurer, be invested in securities permitted by Minnesota Statutes, Section 118A; provided, that any such investment shall mature at such time and in such amounts as will permit the payment of costs for the equipment purchases and/or payment of the principal and interest on the Notes when due.

Section 4. Tax Covenants.

4.01 The City covenants and agrees with the holders of the Notes that the City will (i) take all action on its part necessary to assure that the interest on the Notes will be excluded from gross income for federal income taxes including, without limitations, restricting, to the extent necessary, the yield on investments made with the proceeds of the Notes and investment earnings thereon, making required payments to the federal government, if any, and maintaining books and records in a specified manner, where appropriate, and (ii) refrain from taking any action which would cause interest on the Notes to be subject to federal income taxes, including, without limitation, refraining from spending the proceeds of the Notes and investment earnings thereon on certain specified purposes.

4.02 (a) No portion of the proceeds of the Notes shall be used directly or indirectly to acquire higher yielding investments or to replace funds which were used directly or indirectly to acquire higher yielding investments, except (i) for a reasonable temporary period until such proceeds are needed for the purpose for which the Notes were issued, and (ii) in addition to the above, in an amount not greater than the lesser of five percent of the proceeds of the Notes or \$100,000. To this effect, any proceeds of the Notes and any sums from time to time held in the Debt Service Fund (or any other City account which will be used to pay principal and interest to become due on the Notes) in excess of amounts which under the applicable federal arbitrage regulations may be invested without regard as to yield shall not be invested at a yield in excess of the applicable yield restrictions imposed by the arbitrage regulations on such investments after taking into account any applicable temporary periods of minor portion made available under the federal arbitrage regulations.

(b) In addition, the proceeds of the Notes and money in the Debt Service Fund shall not be invested in obligations or deposits issued by, guaranteed by or insured by the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof if and to the extent that such investment would cause the Notes to be federally guaranteed within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

(c) The City hereby covenants not to use the proceeds of the Notes, or to cause or permit them to be used, in such a manner as to cause the Notes to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code.

4.03 (a) Pursuant to Section 1.148-7(d) of the Treasury Regulations, relating to exception from rebate, the City hereby represents that with respect to the gross proceeds of the Notes, the following schedule is expected to be met: (i) at least 15% of the gross proceeds of the Notes will be allocated to expenditures for the governmental purpose of the Notes within six months of the date of issue of the Notes; (ii) at least 60% of such proceeds will be allocated

for such purposes within the one year period of such date; and (iii) 100% of such proceeds will be allocated for such purposes within the 18 month period beginning on such date; subject to an exception for reasonable retainage of 5% of the available proceeds of the Notes, and that 100% of the available proceeds of the Notes will be allocated within 30 months from the date of issue of the Notes.

(b) The City shall use its best efforts to comply with any federal procedural requirements which may apply in order to effectuate the designation made by this section.

4.04 In addition to the Notes, the City is selling, pursuant to a single offering document and on the same date, the following tax-exempt obligations: General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2013C (the "Series 2013C Bonds"), and General Obligation Bonds (Lakewalk Extension and Cross City Trail), Series 2013D (the "Series 2013D Bonds"). The Notes, the Series 2013C Bonds and the Series 2013D Bonds are expected to be paid from substantially the same source of funds and are an issue under Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-1(c).

4.05 In order to qualify the Notes as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code, the City makes the following factual statements and representations:

(a) the Notes are not "private activity bonds" as defined in Section 141 of the Code;

(b) the City designates the Notes as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code;

(c) the reasonably anticipated amount of tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds, treating qualified 501(c)(3) bonds as not being private activity bonds) which will be issued by the City (and all entities whose obligations will be aggregated with those of the City) during the calendar year in which the Notes are being issued will not exceed \$10,000,000; and

(d) not more than \$10,000,000 of obligations issued by the City during the calendar year in which the Notes are being issued have been designated for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

Section 5. Continuing Disclosure. The City acknowledges that the Notes are subject to the continuing disclosure requirements of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 C.F.R. §240.15c2-12) (the "Rule"). The Rule governs the obligations of certain underwriters to require that issuers of municipal bonds enter into agreements for the benefit of the bondholders to provide continuing disclosure with respect to the Notes. To provide for the public availability of certain information relating to the Notes and the security therefor and to permit underwriters of the Notes to comply with the Rule, which will enhance the marketability of the Notes, the mayor and the clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a continuing disclosure certificate substantially in the form of the certificate on file in the office of the city clerk as public document No. _____.

Section 6. Certificate of Proceedings.

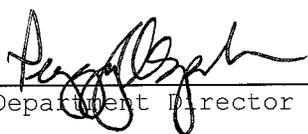
6.01 The city clerk is directed to file in the office of the county auditor of St. Louis County a certified copy of this resolution, and such other information as the county auditor may require, and to obtain from the county auditor and provide to bond counsel a certificate stating that the Notes herein authorized have been duly entered on the county auditor's register.

6.02 The officers of the City are authorized and directed to prepare and furnish to the Purchaser and to bond counsel certified copies of all proceedings and records of the City pertaining to the authorization, issuance, and sale of the Notes and such other affidavits and certificates as may reasonably be required to show the facts relating to the legality and marketability of the Notes, as such facts appear from the official books and records of the officers' custody or are otherwise known. All such certified copies, certificates and affidavits, including any heretofore furnished, constitute representations of the City as to the correctness of facts recited therein and the actions stated therein to have been taken.

6.03 The mayor and the city clerk are hereby authorized and directed to certify that they have examined the official statement prepared and circulated in connection with the issuance and sale of the Notes and that to the best of their knowledge and belief the official statement is a complete and accurate representation of the facts and representations made therein as for the date of the official statement.

6.04 In the event of the absence or disability of the mayor or the city clerk, such officers as in the opinion of the City attorney, may act in their behalf, shall without further act or authorization, execute and deliver the Notes, and do all things and execute all instruments and documents required to be done or executed by such absent or disabled officers.

Approved:



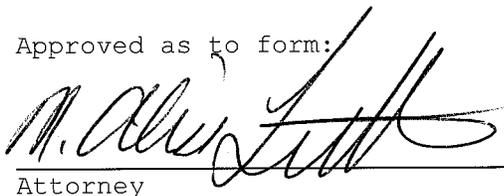
Department Director

Approved for presentation to council:



Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:



Attorney

Approved:



Auditor

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution establishes the terms and form and awards the sale of \$3,835,000 General Obligation Capital Equipment Notes, Series 2013A, to Stifel, Nicolaus & Co., Inc. at a true interest cost (TIC) of 1.0781%.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the “Disclosure Certificate”) is executed and delivered by the CITY OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA (the “Issuer”), in connection with the issuance of the \$ _____ General Obligation _____, Series 2013 __, dated December 18, 2013 (the “Obligations”). The Obligations are being issued pursuant to a Resolution of the Issuer dated December 5, 2013 (the “Resolution”). The Issuer covenants and agrees as follows:

Section 1. (a) Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Issuer for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Obligations and in order to assist the Participating Underwriter in complying with the Rule (defined below). References in this Disclosure Certificate to holders of the Obligations shall include the beneficial owners of the Obligations. This Disclosure Certificate constitutes the written understanding under the Rule.

(b) Filing Requirements. Any filing under this Disclosure Certificate must be made solely by transmitting such filing to the MSRB (defined herein) through the Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) System at www.emma.msrb.org in the format prescribed by the MSRB. All documents provided to the MSRB shall be accompanied by the identifying information prescribed by the MSRB.

Section 2. Definitions. In addition to the definitions set forth in the Resolution, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

“Annual Report” shall mean any Annual Report provided by the Issuer pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

“Audited Financial Statements” shall mean the Issuer’s annual financial statements, which are currently prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for governmental units as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and which the Issuer intends to continue to prepare in substantially the same form.

“Dissemination Agent” shall mean such person from time to time designated in writing by the Issuer and which has filed with the Issuer a written acceptance of such designation.

“Listed Events” shall mean any of the events listed in Section 5(a) of this Disclosure Certificate.

“MSRB” means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, whose current address is 1900 Duke Street, Suite 600, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

“Official Statement” means the Official Statement, dated _____, 2013, delivered in connection with the original issuance and sale of the Obligations, together with any amendments thereto or supplements thereof.

“Participating Underwriter” shall mean any of the original underwriter(s) of the Obligations required to comply with the Rule in connection with offering of the Obligations.

“Rule” shall mean Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) adopted by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

“SEC” means the Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor to its functions governing state and municipal securities.

Section 3. Provision of Annual Reports.

(a) The Issuer shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, not later than 365 days after the end of the fiscal year (presently December 31), commencing with the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, provide to the MSRB, filed in accordance with Section 1(b) of this Disclosure Certificate, an Annual Report which is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate. In each case, the Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate; provided that the Audited Financial Statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report and later than the date required above for the filing of the Annual Report if they are not available by that date; provided, however, unaudited financial information will be provided and the Audited Financial Statements will be submitted to the MSRB when and if available. The Issuer may provide the Annual Report by specific reference to documents previously provided to the MSRB or filed with the SEC; provided, however, that if the document so referenced is a final official statement within the meaning of the Rule, such final official statement must be available from the MSRB.

(b) Not later than 15 days prior to the date specified in subsection (a) for providing the Annual Report to the MSRB, the Issuer shall provide the Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent (if the Issuer is not the Dissemination Agent).

(c) If the Issuer is unable or fails to provide an Annual Report by the date required in subsection (a), the Issuer shall send in a timely manner a notice of such fact to the MSRB in the format prescribed by the MSRB, as described in Section 1(b) of this Disclosure Certificate.

Section 4. Content of Annual Reports. The Issuer’s Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the Audited Financial Statements and updates of the following sections of the Official Statement to the extent such financial information and operating data are not included in the Audited Financial Statements:

(a) Historic Revenues and Expenses

- (b) Description of Utility
- (c) Current Property Valuations
- (d) Direct Debt
- (e) Tax Levies & Collections
- (f) Debt Limit

Section 5. Reporting of Significant Events.

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5, the Issuer shall give, or cause to be given, in a timely manner not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Obligations:

- (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, if any, or their failure to perform;
- (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax-exempt status of the Obligations, or other events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Obligations;
- (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Obligations, if material;
- (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) defeasances;
- (10) release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Obligations, if material;
- (11) rating changes;
- (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;

(13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and

(14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.

(b) For the purposes of the event identified in subsection (a)(12), the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Issuer in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan or reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer.

(c) Whenever the Issuer obtains knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event for which a determination of materiality is required, the Issuer shall as soon as possible determine if such event would constitute material information for holders of Obligations.

(d) Unless otherwise required by law, the Issuer shall submit the information in the format prescribed by the MSRB, as described in Section 1(b) of this Disclosure Certificate.

Section 6. Termination of Reporting Obligation. The Issuer's obligations under this Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Obligations.

Section 7. Dissemination Agent. The Issuer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Dissemination Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the content of any notice or report prepared by the Issuer pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate. If at any time there is not any other designated Dissemination Agent, the Issuer shall be the Dissemination Agent.

Section 8. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer may amend this Disclosure Certificate and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived if such amendment or waiver is supported by an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel to the effect that such amendment or waiver would not, in and of itself, cause the undertaking herein to violate the Rule if such amendment or waiver had

been effective on the date hereof but taking into account any subsequent change in or official interpretation of the Rule.

Section 9. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the Issuer chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Section 10. Default.

(a) The Issuer has never failed to comply in all material respects with any previous undertakings under the Rule to provide annual reports or notices of material events.

(b) In the event of a failure of the Issuer to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, any holder or beneficial owner of the Obligations may take such action as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default under the Resolution, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Issuer to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

Section 11. Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Certificate, and the Issuer agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities which it may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorneys fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's negligence or willful misconduct. The obligations of the Issuer under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and payment of the Obligations.

Section 12. Beneficiaries. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Dissemination Agent, the Participating Underwriter and holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Obligations, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

Section 13. Reserved Rights. The Issuer reserves the right to discontinue providing any information required under the Rule if a final determination should be made by a court of competent jurisdiction that the Rule is invalid or otherwise unlawful or, subject to the provisions

of Section 8 hereof, to modify the undertaking under this Disclosure Certificate if the Issuer determines that such modification is required by the Rule or by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Dated as of December 18, 2013.

CITY OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA

By _____
Mayor

By _____
Clerk

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