

City of Lake Elmo
Washington County, Minnesota

Resolution 99-3

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RELIEVER AIRPORT REFORM COALITION COMPRISING OF OTHER CITIES AND TOWNSHIPS TO SEEK AND PROPOSE LEGISLATIVE CHANGES, AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF LOBBYING FEES NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Elmo, Minnesota (the "City") is a political subdivision and municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the City deems it prudent, reasonable and necessary to participate to participate in a coalition with other cities and townships known as the Reliever Airport Reform Coalition (the "Coalition"); and

WHEREAS, the Coalition was formed and exists to do the following:

1. Clarify the definitions of "minor use" and "intermediate use" airports under Min. Stat. § 473.641, subd. 4, so that it is consistent with the original legislative intent. Clarify Minn. Stat. § 476.641 to ensure that the Metropolitan Airports Commission ("MAC") cannot extend airport runways at a "minor use" airports with express legislative approval. Ensure that the Saint Paul Downtown Airport is the only {"intermediate use" airport in the Twin Cities Metropolitan area.
2. Create the Reliever Airport Sound Abatement Council ("RASAC"), an organization created by the legislature, funded by the MAC and controlled by representatives appointed by participating cities and townships. RASAC is created for the purpose of advising the MAC on sound abatement policies for communities in and around minor use and intermediate use airports.
3. Direct the legislative auditor to conduct a legislative audit of the MAC on a number of issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE ELMO, MINNESOTA THAT:

1. City staff may participate in the Coalition and the City shall appropriate an amount not to exceed \$3,000 to help fund the lobbying activities of the Coalition.

Adopted by the Lake Elmo City Council this 5th day of January, 1999.

Attest:


Lee Hunt, Mayor


Mary Kueffner, City Administrator