

Legislation Text

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CONSENT AGENDA - Brian Podany, Police Chief

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A GREATER TWIN CITIES PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING FACILITY

Research and planning continues for the public safety training facility. There are multiple public safety partners including SBM Fire and Blaine Police that have been working with the state. The agency of the Minnesota Management and Budget Office is requesting city council approve a resolution of support for the facility.

By motion, approve the resolution of support for the Greater Twin Cities Public Safety Training Facility.

WHEREAS, the City of Blaine recognizes the importance of providing state-of-the-art training opportunities for the firefighters and law enforcement officers charged with protecting the community and ensuring public safety; and

WHEREAS, there is a present need for a regional public safety training facility where all hazard response partners from Blaine, its neighboring cities, and Anoka County can receive hazard mitigation and unified command training; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a regional public safety training facility will enhance the public safety of Blaine and ensure that Blaine's fire, police, public works, EMS and other response personnel maintain the highest quality public safety services;

WHEREAS, the development of a regional public safety training facility is a collaborative endeavor, requiring support from the Cities of Blaine, Andover, Coon Rapids, County of Anoka, the State of Minnesota; and other local/regional response partners and

WHEREAS, the 91st Minnesota Legislature is presently considering House File 773 and Senate File 1317, which would appropriate funds for the establishment of a regional public safety training facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Blaine

hereby supports the establishment of a Greater Twin Cities Regional Public Safety Training Facility and will work with its state, county, and municipal partners to establish and fund this facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Blaine supports the pending state legislation to appropriate funding for the establishment of a Greater Twin Cities Regional Public Safety Training Facility.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Blaine this 22nd day of January, 2020.