

CITY OF FOLEY  
COUNTY OF BENTON  
STATE OF MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION 2016 - 1

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT AID (LGA) FOR GREATER MN  
CITIES IN THE 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Local Government Aid (LGA) is a critical need for our city and

WHEREAS, LGA provides funding to restrain property taxes on homeowners & businesses and

WHEREAS, LGA provides for basic services such as public safety, infrastructure and fire protection and

WHEREAS the legislature and state agencies have imposed unfunded mandates upon local cities, including increased pension requirements, expensive wastewater infrastructure costs, among other mandates and

WHEREAS an LGA increase would help the city of Foley maintain services and establish a financial plan to reconstruct and pay for a two block section of failing sewer, water and street built in ~1939 serving historic downtown Foley.

WHEREAS, no Omnibus Tax Bill was passed by the 2015 legislature, thus freezing the LGA appropriation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Foley supports an increase in the base appropriation for Local Government Aid of \$45.5 million effective for aid payable in 2017 and urges adoption of this proposal by the House and Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the following: the legislators representing the city of Foley; Representative Jim Newberger, Sen David Brown, Speaker of the House Rep. Kurt Daudt, Senate Majority Leader Sen. Tom Bakk, House Tax Chair Rep. Greg Davids, Senate Tax Chair Sen. Rod Skoe, and Governor Mark Dayton.

Passed and adopted by unanimous vote of the Foley City Council, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

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Dave Mosford, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Robert Barbian, City Administrator