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**Lovely A. Warren
Mayor**

July 15, 2020

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TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Statement of Necessity

I am submitting this Statement of Necessity so that action may be taken at the July 17, 2020 Committee meeting on the attached legislation. Avangrid Foundation notified the City on July 6, 2020 of their intent to provide a \$15,000 grant to support the 2020 Cool Sweep program. Due to their grant requirements, Avangrid requests that the agreement be signed in July, necessitating your approval at this Council meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mayor

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Re: Grant Agreement, Avangrid Foundation, Inc.

Council Priority: Public Safety

Comprehensive Plan 2034 Initiative Area:
Reinforcing Strong Neighborhoods

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation authorizing the receipt and use of a \$15,000 grant from the Avangrid Foundation, Inc. for the 2020 Cool Sweep program. The funding was anticipated in the 2020-21 Budgets of the Department of Recreation and Youth Services (\$11,400), Bureau of Communications (\$3,400), and Undistributed Expenses (\$200).

The Cool Sweep program, which has been in operation since 2011, provides opportunities for residents to get relief from the summer heat when the forecast calls for temperatures to reach or exceed 85 degrees. When a Cool Sweep is triggered, residents can access cooling sprays at City spray parks as well as extended hours at select City pools. When temperatures are forecasted to be 90 degrees and above, a Cool Sweep Heat Emergency is triggered, and residents are able to seek relief during extended hours at select air-conditioned R-Center locations. In 2019, twelve Cool Sweeps took place with a total attendance of 44,306.

The 2020 grant funding will support the operational costs of the program including the Cool Sweep media campaign, program coordination, and staff wages and fringe expenses at Cool Sweep sites.

This was last authorized by City Council Ordinance No. 2019-104 adopted on April 17, 2019.

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Ordinance No.

Authorizing a grant agreement for the 2020 Cool Sweep program

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Avangrid Foundation, Inc. (Foundation) for the receipt and use of Foundation funds in the amount of \$15,000 for operational expenses of the City's 2020 Cool Sweep program.

Section 2. The agreement shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Mayor deems to be appropriate.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.