

RESOLUTION NO. 06-40

Councilor Webster offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 6.79 creates new venue at the Office of the State Auditor for mandate reform ideas from cities and other local units of government; and

WHEREAS, those submitted proposals on mandate relief and reform will be listed on the State Auditor's website, thereby giving local governments another communication tool for expressing their concerns on any given mandate; and

WHEREAS, the New Ulm City Council supports the concept of mandate reform and urges the Minnesota Legislature to give serious consideration to all proposals made by Cities, Counties, Townships, and School Boards; and

WHEREAS, the New Ulm City Council finds Grandfathered Contributions to regional libraries (M.S. 134.34) to be an unfunded mandate resulting in the inability of local government to reduce spending in all areas of municipal services, thereby hindering local discretion in the prioritization of providing municipal services and ultimately reducing taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that New Ulm City Council does hereby request that the requirements of said statute be eliminated.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilor Weinkauff and, the roll being called, the following vote was recorded:

Voting Aye: Councilors Fleischmann, Tuttle, Webster, Weinkauff and President Beranek.

Voting Nay: None.

Not Voting: None.

Whereupon said resolution was declared to have been duly adopted this 21st day of March 2006.


President of the City Council

Attest:


Finance Director/City Clerk-Treasurer

The above resolution approved March 21, 2006.


Mayor