

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #22-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, SUPPORTING FULL FUNDING FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA MUNICIPAL HARBOR FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 STATE CAPITAL BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,160,062

WHEREAS, the majority of the public boat harbors in Alaska were constructed by the State during the 1960s and 1970s; and

WHEREAS, these harbor facilities represent critical transportation links and are the transportation hubs for waterfront commerce and economic development in Alaskan coastal communities; and

WHEREAS, these harbor facilities are ports of refuge and areas for protection for ocean-going vessels and fishermen throughout the State of Alaska, especially in coastal Alaskan communities; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska over nearly 30 years has transferred ownership of most of these State-owned harbors, many of which were at or near the end of their service life at the time of transfer, to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the municipalities took over this important responsibility even though they knew that these same harbor facilities were in poor condition at the time of transfer; and

WHEREAS, consequently, when local municipal harbormasters formulated their annual harbor facility budgets, they inherited a major financial burden that their local municipal governments could not afford; and

WHEREAS, in response to this financial burden, the Governor and the Alaska Legislature passed legislation in 2006, supported by the Alaska Association of Harbormasters and Port Administrators, to create the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant program (AS 29.60.800); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities utilizes a beneficial administrative process to review, score and rank applicants to the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program, since state funds may be limited; and

WHEREAS, for each harbor facility grant application, these municipalities have committed to invest 100% of the design and permitting costs and 50% of the construction cost; and

WHEREAS, the municipalities of the City of Valdez, City of Yakutat, City & Borough of Juneau, City & Borough of Sitka, City of Homer, Aleutians East Borough/City of Sand Point, and the Municipality of Anchorage have committed to contribute \$20,160,062 in local match funding for FY2023 towards harbor projects of significant importance locally as required in the Harbor Facility Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, completion of these harbor facility projects is dependent on the 50% match from the State of Alaska's Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, during the last fifteen years the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program has only been fully funded twice; and

WHEREAS, a survey done by the Alaska Municipal League of Alaska's ports and harbors found that from the respondents, the backlog of projects necessary to repair and replace former State-owned harbors has increased to at least \$500,000,000; and

WHEREAS, over the past five years alone, municipal harbors have submitted \$70 million in capital project match requests, representing over \$116 million in shovel-ready capital projects that have received only \$20 million in funding through the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant program with zero funding in fiscal year 2021 and half of the requested funding in fiscal year 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, THAT:

The City of Valdez urges full funding in the amount of \$20,160,062 by the Governor and the Alaska legislature for the State of Alaska's Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program in the fiscal year 2023 State Capital Budget in order to ensure enhanced safety and economic prosperity among Alaskan coastal communities.

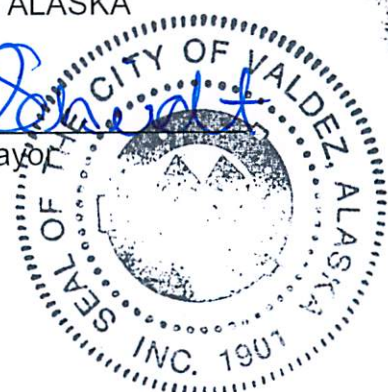
Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Valdez, Alaska, this 1st day of February, 2022.

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA


Sharon Scheidt, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk



CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #21-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A HARBOR FACILITIES GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF ALASKA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000,000.00 FOR THE H-K MAJOR RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities administers the Harbor Grant Funding Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez owns and maintains the Small Boat Harbor and is eligible for the Tier I Harbor Facilities Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez has the required 50% in local matching funds for the H-K Major Reconstruction Project as per the Harbor Facilities Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez is capable of completing the project within 18 months after the award of a Harbor Facilities Grant; and

WHEREAS, the H-K Major Reconstruction Project is critical to the City of Valdez.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, that:

The City supports the project entitled H-K Major Reconstruction and agrees, subject to the available Alaska Legislative funding and selection by The Alaska State Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, to enter into a grant agreement with the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for a Harbor Facilities Grant.

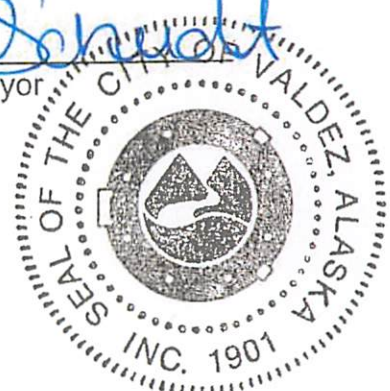
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, this 3rd day of August, 2021.

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA


Sharon Scheidt, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk



CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #21-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A SPORTS FISHING RESTORATION ACT, RECREATIONAL BOATING AND ACCESS GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF ALASKA, DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,568,000.00 FOR THE H-K MAJOR RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

WHEREAS, The State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game Administers the Sport Fish Restoration Act, Recreational Boating and Access Grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez owns and maintains the Small Boat Harbor and is eligible for the Sport Fish Restoration Act, Recreational Boating and Access Grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez has the required 25% in local matching funds for the H-K Major Reconstruction Project as per the Sport Fish Restoration Act, and Recreational Boating and Access Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the H-K Major Reconstruction Project is critical to the City of Valdez.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, that:

The City supports the project entitled H-K Major Reconstruction and agrees, subject to the available program funding and selection by the Alaska State Department of Fish and Game, to enter into a grant agreement with the State Department of Fish and Game for a Sport Fishing and Restoration Act, Recreational Boating and Access Grant.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, this 7th day of September, 2021

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

Sharon Scheidt

Sharon Scheidt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheri L. Pierce, deputy for
Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk

