

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION # 25-XX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, AUTHORIZING THE VALDEZ CITY MANAGER TO REQUEST AND PURSUE FEDERAL FUNDING UP TO \$4,000,000 FOR THE PERMITTING AND DESIGN OF NEW CAPITAL WATERFRONT INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE AREA IDENTIFIED IN THE VALDEZ COMPREHENSIVE WATERFRONT MASTER PLAN AS SEA OTTER PARK.

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez recognizes the importance of its waterfront as a critical asset for economic development, commerce, transportation, and recreation and

WHEREAS, the Valdez Comprehensive Waterfront Master Plan identifies specific areas for the development and improvement of waterfront infrastructure to support the needs of the community and foster long-term growth and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, new capital waterfront infrastructure is necessary to address current and future needs, including but not limited to improvements in port facilities, commercial docks, and related infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the permitting and design of such infrastructure is a crucial initial step in advancing these projects and ensuring they are implemented in a strategic and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, federal funding opportunities are available to support local infrastructure projects that contribute to regional and national priorities, such as enhancing trade, commerce, transportation, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, securing federal funding will allow the City of Valdez to advance these critical projects without overburdening local taxpayers and ensure alignment with federal and state planning initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has the expertise and capacity to manage the application process, coordinate with federal agencies, and administer funds in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

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

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to request, apply for, and pursue federal funding opportunities up to \$4,000,000 for the permitting and design of new capital

waterfront infrastructure in the area identified in the Valdez Comprehensive Waterfront Master Plan as Sea Otter Park.

Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to take all necessary actions, including but not limited to preparing and submitting grant applications, providing required documentation, engaging consultants, and coordinating with federal, state, and local entities to secure funding.

Section 3. The City Manager is further authorized to execute any agreements, contracts, or documents necessary to accept and administer awarded funds, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, this _____ day of _____, 2024

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Dennis Fleming, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk