

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #22-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, URGING PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL 177 AND HOUSE BILL 299 IN ORDER TO ALLOW ELECTRIC UTILITIES CONSIDERING MICRO MODULAR REACTORS (MMRs) TO MOVE FORWARD WITH PROJECTS UNDER A STREAMLINED PERMITTING PROCESS

WHEREAS, City of Valdez residents have seen energy costs increase substantially in the last quarter of 2021 and 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2022; and

WHEREAS, Alaska electric utilities, including Copper Valley Electric Association (CVEA) provide power amid harsh conditions, vast distances, and without benefit of interconnection to the Lower 48 regional grids; and

WHEREAS, Micro Modular Reactors are a viable source of power that have the potential to lower the cost of energy for Alaskans, decrease dependency on diesel fuel, better position Alaska and Valdez for economic development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 177 and House Bill 299 provides local communities jurisdiction over micro-reactor site selection.

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

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Valdez hereby urges passage of Senate Bill 177 and House Bill 299.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Valdez authorizes City officials to provide public support for passage of Senate Bill 177 and House Bill 299.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, this 15th Day of March, 2022.

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

ATTEST:

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Sharon Scheidt, Mayor

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Sheri L Pierce, MMC. City Clerk