



Legislation Text

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ITEM TITLE:

Approve Resolution #17-54 - Granting a 15ft Wide and 265ft Long Access Easement to Copper Valley Electric Association, on City of Valdez-owned Tract C, ASLS 79-118.

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FISCAL NOTES:

Expenditure Required: N/A

Unencumbered Balance: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution #17-54 granting a 15ft wide and 265ft long access easement to CVEA, on City of Valdez-owned Tract C, ASLS 79-118. The granting of this easement will be contingent upon this easement being recorded with the DNR Recorder's office, and CVEA will cover all the associated costs.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

On October 9th, 2017 the Community Development department received a letter requesting an easement from the City to CVEA. The requested easement would be 15' wide and 265' long, on City of Valdez-owned Tract C, ASLS 79-118. This parcel is located near the Alyeska Marine Terminal, off of Dayville road.

Copper Valley Electric Association has already built an access/maintenance road which provides access to its power generation operation at Allison Creek. The already constructed road encroaches onto Tract C, ASLS 79-118, which is owned by the City of Valdez.

On the 11th of November, 2017, the City of Valdez Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously voted in favor of a recommendation to City Council to approve this easement.

This authorization is consistent with VMC Section 13.5.

Public Utility Franchises. "The city may grant a franchise to any person for the use of the streets, alleys, bridges, easements and other public places of the city for the furnishing of any public utility service to the city and its inhabitants."

The City has the authority to establish such an easement as stated by VMC 16.24.070

Dedication-Utility easements. Which states: "The platting authority may require the dedication

of utility easements when a utility company or the city demonstrates a specific need for them.”

This action is consistent with the City of Valdez Comprehensive Development plan, which states: “The (Community and Economic Development) Department is responsible for the orderly and efficient growth and development of the City's socioeconomic and physical systems.” (Valdez Comprehensive Development Plan, pg. 33)

If Council votes in favor of the authorization, the utility easement will be granted via resolution and the easement will be recorded with the DNR’s Records Office, and CVEA will cover all the costs.