CITY OF UNALASKA UNALASKA, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 2019-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL IDENTIFYING THE CITY OF UNALASKA'S STATE PRIORITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, Captains Bay Road is heavily used by commercial traffic, and future growth and business activity is expected to occur along Captains Bay Road, requiring road improvements, water, sewer, and electric utilities; and

WHEREAS, the Robert Storrs Boat Harbor A and B Floats have served the community well for over 30 years and in order to ensure the safety of those who use the dock and the vessels that moor at the Storrs Boat Harbor, the floats must be replaced and the dock redesigned; and

WHEREAS, Unalaska has several sites that were subject to the Department of Defense's Formerly Utilized Defense Sites environmental program due to contamination which occurred during WWII activities, as well as WWII related contamination that is discovered during construction projects today; and

WHEREAS, support from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation is critical to managing these contaminated areas and ensuring Federal assistance and support; and

WHEREAS, habitat restoration on the local road system for Summer Bay Lake and Watershed, Morris Cove Lake and Watershed, and Unalaska Lake and Watershed will help to improve depressed salmon stocks.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Unalaska hereby identifies its top state legislative priorities for Fiscal Year 2020:

- Captains Bay Road and Utility Improvements Project
- Robert Storrs Boat Harbor Improvements
- **Environmental Remediation Support**
- Habitat Restoration for Salmon Stock Improvement

\$24 Million

\$9.5 Million

Initiative

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the Unalaska City Council on February 12, 2019.

Dennis M. Robinson

Vice Mayor

ATTEST:

Mariie Veeder

City Clerk

MEMORANDUM TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor and City Council Members From: Erin Reinders, Assistant City Manager

Through: Thomas Thomas, City Manager

Date: February 12, 2019

Re: Resolution 2019-06, Identifying the City of Unalaska's State Priorities for

Fiscal Year 2020

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Resolution 2018-06 outlines our state legislative priorities for the coming fiscal year. This list of projects and initiatives will be submitted to the State for consideration in the Capital budget. All of the projects and initiatives listed were included in last year's list, with these particular initiatives having been added at Council's request. The projects are as follows:

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<u>PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION</u>: This is a recurring council action to express our support for certain initiatives and to submit projects to the State of Alaska for consideration in their capital budget.

BACKGROUND: The fiscal situation in State has not significantly improved regarding availability of funding or bonding initiatives. However, it remains necessary to provide the State our highest priorities.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The list of priorities is similar to the list from last year, with completed project and successful initiatives having been removed. An overview of the capital projects and initiatives for the State to consider are provided below.

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construction projects today. Support from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation is critical to managing these contaminated areas and ensuring Federal assistance and support. This initiative was added to the FY19 State Priorities by City Council.

Habitat restoration on the local road system for Summer Bay Lake and Watershed, Morris Cove Lake and Watershed, and Unalaska Lake and Watershed will help to improve depressed salmon stocks. This initiative was also added to the FY19 State Priorities by City Council.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends adoption of Resolution 2019-06.

PROPOSED MOTION: I move to adopt Resolution 2019-06.

<u>CITY MANAGERS COMMENTS</u>: This list remains consistent with the City's plans and previously identified priorities. I support this resolution.