

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 2021-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN OFF-CYCLE COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE UNALASKA CHAPTER OF THE ALASKA STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the City of Unalaska acknowledges, appreciates and supports the services provided to the community by non-profit agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Unalaska wishes to provide financial aid to qualifying non-profit organizations through its Community Support Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Unalaska received an off-cycle Community Support Program grant application from the Unalaska Chapter of the Alaska State Firefighters Association in the amount of \$10,000 to assist with funding a fireworks display for the community during the upcoming New Year's celebration; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is recommending off-cycle Community Support Program grant funding in the amount of \$10,000 and authorizing the City Manager enter into an off-cycle Community Support Program Grant Agreement with the Unalaska Chapter of the Alaska State Firefighters Association.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Unalaska City Council authorizes the City Manager to enter into an off-cycle Community Support Program Grant Agreement with the Unalaska Chapter of the Alaska State Firefighters Association to provide funding assistance for a New Year's Eve fireworks show in the amount of \$10,000.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the Unalaska City Council on October 12, 2021.


Vincent M. Tutiakoff, Sr.
Mayor

ATTEST:


Marjie Veeder, CMC
City Clerk



MEMORANDUM TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor and City Council Members
From: J. R. Pearson, Assistant City Manager
Through: Erin Reinders, City Manager
Date: October 12, 2021
Re: Resolution 2021-66: Authorizing the City Manager enter into an Off-Cycle Community Support Program Grant Agreement with the Unalaska Chapter of the Alaska State Firefighters Association

SUMMARY: The Unalaska Chapter of the Alaska State Firefighters Association (ASFA) submitted an off-cycle Community Support Program Grant application requesting a \$10,000 donation to help fund a community fireworks display for the upcoming New Year's celebration.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: City Council voiced unanimous support for ASFA's proposal and request at their September 28 meeting,

BACKGROUND: ASFA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that represents all past and present members of the Unalaska Fire Department. Their mission is to provide ASFA members with financial support who seek specialized, job specific training and purchase of non-department funded items and equipment that will directly benefit the community of Unalaska.

In 2020, ASFA was generously given a donation of nearly 800 pounds class C fireworks by Gorilla Fireworks based in Wasilla. This previous show was produced based on the current climate surrounding the global health pandemic at the time, which resulted in the cancellation of the annual City of Unalaska fireworks show. ASFA members spent several days choreographing and setting up the show. The New Year's 2020/2021 show was shot off of a landing, the NUNYA, which is locally owned and operated by long-time Unalaska resident Mike Lloyd. This show gathered the attention of many, and nearly 65 vehicles lined the roadway on Front Beach. The show was approximately 27 minutes long. After the conclusion the response ASFA received was overwhelming positive.

DISCUSSION: ASFA is interested in doing a show similar to what they did last New Year's Eve, and has submitted a proposal and request for \$10,000 to the City Council to help support the effort. The fireworks show would consist of all Class C fireworks with a variety of cakes, roman candles, and mortar rounds that are tentatively scheduled to be ignited electronically. The amount of fireworks will not require a permit from the State of Alaska. The show is scheduled to be a minimum of 25 minutes long. The current proposal is to shoot the show over Margaret's Bay. Other details are outlined in ASFA's attached proposal.

Staff has processed this proposal in a manner similar to other non-profit requests. ASFA has completed an Off-Cycle Community Support Program Grant Application, which is attached. Staff then worked up an agreement structured the same way as other Community Support Program Grant agreements. If this were to become an annual request, this would be rolled into the annual community support grant program for nonprofit organizations.

ALTERNATIVES: Council may choose not to adopt Resolution 2021-66.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Council only had enough funding budgeted to pay for one, big City sponsored fireworks show this fiscal year. That show was the Independence Day show. City Council has \$10,000 remaining in the current fiscal year's budget for fireworks. This line item could fund the ASFA request this year.

This may become an annual request through the Community Support Program and if so, ASFA would be considered for funding through that program and process.

LEGAL: Not needed at this time.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff does not typically make recommendations regarding Community Support Grant applications.

PROPOSED MOTION: I move to adopt Resolution 2021-66.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS: This is a cost effective option to allow for the community to enjoy a fireworks show while at the same time supporting a local nonprofit. I thank staff for working with ASFA in processing this request consistent with how other nonprofit grant requests are handled.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ASFA's Proposal
- ASFA's Off-Cycle Community Support Program Grant Application
- Grant Agreement



**ALASKA STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION
UNALASKA CHAPTER**

NEW YEARS EVE
2021/2022
1ST ANNUAL
FIREFIGHTERS FESTIVUS
IN MEMORY OF TREY HENNING
12/31/2021 @ 1900-0100

Arianna Morales, ASFA – Unalaska Chapter, President



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Introduction

The Alaska State Firefighters Association – Unalaska Chapter (ASFA) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that represents all past and present members of the Unalaska Fire Department. Our mission is to provide our members with financial support who seek specialized, job specific training and purchase of non-department funded items and equipment that will directly benefit the community of Unalaska by enhancing our level of services provided in conjunction with response by the City of Unalaska Fire Department. ASFA is a separate organization that is affiliated with the City of Unalaska Fire Department but operates independently. ASFA is overseen by an executive board of six active members in good standing.

Executive Board

- i. President – Arianna Morales
- ii. Vice President – Vacant
- iii. Secretary /Treasurer – Ben Knowles
- iv. Seat A – Dmitri Dela Cruz
- v. Seat B – Stacy Shipp
- vi. Staff Seat – David Gibson
- vii. Ex-officio – Patrick Shipp – City of Unalaska Fire Department, Chief

Background

In 2020, ASFA was generously given a donation of nearly 800 pounds class C fireworks by Wasilla Based Company, Gorilla Fireworks. This show was produced based on the current climate surrounding the global health pandemic at the time, which resulted in the cancellation of the annual City of Unalaska fireworks show. ASFA members spent several days choreographing and setting up the show. The NYE 2020/2021 show was shot off of a landing, the NUNYA, which is locally owned and operated by long-time Unalaskan, Mike Lloyd. This show gathered the attention of many, and nearly 65 vehicles lined the roadway on Front Beach. The show was approximately 27-minutes long. After the conclusion the response ASFA got was overwhelming. The show had been a great success and our members thoroughly enjoyed all aspects of it.



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Proposal

ASFA is attempting to hold a dinner event for New Year's Eve 2021/2022. This event would be held in memory of local Unalaskan, Trey Henning, who tragically passed away after being caught in an avalanche. Trey's event sparked a lot of emotions in all of us here in Unalaska, specifically those who responded remember this event quite vividly to this day. With a fundraiser in memory of Trey Henning, ASFA plans to use the proceeds to create "backcountry bags" that would be filled with equipment that one may not normally be able to finance personally but could make a significant impact should another tragic event occur. Items such as avalanche backpacks, mono-suits, location beacons and locators, hand held GPS units, and two-way radios are all items that come with a significant cost. The bags would be available for check out at no cost to the renter other than a photo ID or some other type of collateral to ensure the items are returned.

The event would be held at UniSea, Inc. Grand Aleutian Hotel. ASFA would like to also offer our guests who attend the fundraising event "premium viewing" of the community fireworks show from their seats located in the Chart Room. We feel that having "premium viewing" will allow us to draw more folks in to help honor Trey's Memory but those who cannot join us, may still view the fireworks at no charge. The show is tentatively set to be shot over Margaret's Bay pending approval of the necessary parties.

Experience

1. Arianna Morales – ASFA President
 - a. Has assisted with one commercial fireworks show and one Class C fireworks show
2. Ben Knowles – ASFA Secretary/Treasurer
 - a. Has assisted with six commercial fireworks show, this includes coordination of two shows and one Class C Fireworks show
3. Stacy Shipp – Seat B
 - a. Has assisted with one commercial fireworks show in Alaska and several commercial fireworks show in her previous home state of Texas
4. David Gibson – ASFA Staff Seat
 - a. Has assisted with one commercial fireworks show and one Class C Fireworks show
5. Thomas Roufos – ASFA General Member
 - a. Has assisted with five commercial fireworks shows and one Class C fireworks show
6. Patrick Shipp – Ex-Officio
 - a. Is a licensed pyro-technician in the state of Alaska and Texas



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Cost Analysis

ASFA is seeking a donation of \$10,000 from the City of Unalaska/City Council. This amount is calculated based on the donation amount received last year and after conversations with Gorilla Fireworks. This would be a tax deductible donation.

All other associated costs related to the fundraising event will be self-sustained by ASFA along with donations from other various local and non-local businesses.

Fireworks show information

The fireworks show would consist of all Class C fireworks with a variety of cakes, roman candles, and mortar rounds that are tentatively scheduled to be ignited electronically. The amount of fireworks will not require a permit from the State of Alaska. The show is scheduled to be a minimum of 25 minutes long.

The show would be shot over Margaret's Bay, pending approval. Proposed shoot time would be 01/01/2022 @0000

City Needs

1. ASFA would need city approval to set-up and store the fireworks in the public works wash bay until the proposed shoot time.
2. The potential use of a flatbed trailer(s) – not the low-boy (trailer used for commercial shows)
3. A fire engine and paramedic stand-by crew on the night of the show

Insurance

ASFA members are covered AD&D when operating during an ASFA sanctioned event. ASFA is also awaiting a quote for specific event insurance that would be general liability, property liability. This policy quote would be for a 1 million dollar umbrella.

******This is a tentative proposal. The health and well-being of our community is a priority and this event is subject to change. As we move forward, we will continue to be transparent and make information known as it become available. We look forward to your response and appreciate your consideration******

**CITY OF UNALASKA COMMUNITY SUPPORT
OFF-CYCLE APPLICATION**

ORGANIZATION/CHAPTER: Alaska State Firefighters Association - Unalaska Chapter **FORMED:** 1998
MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 666 **CITY** Unalaska **STATE** AK **ZIP** 99685
CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S NAME & TITLE: Arianna Morales - President
CONTACT'S NAME & TITLE (if different): _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (907) 391-5693 **FAX NUMBER:** _____
EMAIL: asfaUnalaska@gmail.com **Website:** _____

Organization's Fiscal Year: From January **to** December

LOCAL/CHAPTER PROGRAM BUDGET TOTAL: \$ 0

SOURCES OF INCOME:

Grants	City _____ %		Fees/Earned Income _____ %
	State _____ %		Fundraising <u>75</u> %
	Federal _____ %		In Kind <u>25</u> %
	Other Grants _____ %		Other Income _____ %

Please list amount requested \$ _____ and short description of intended use of funds:

Donation to ASFA - Unalaska to shoot a firework show (New Years Eve 2021/22)

Please list any other City assets requested:

Wash bay for Storage
Use of a flatbed trailer (NOT the low-boy used for commercial shows)
Fire Engine and paramedic stand-by crew on the night of the show

Please attach:

- Full written proposal
- Proof of non-profit status
- Insurance Certificate (to the specifications set forth in the agreement)
- Community Support shortened Agreement required

IRS Non-Profit Status: Is the organization's IRS filing current? Yes No

AK Incorporation Status: Is the organization's State filing current? Yes No

By signing below, the chair/president of the organization or chapter acknowledge all contents of this application have been reviewed and approved by the chapter and that all information provided is true and accurate. The signatures further indicate that the requirements of the Community Support Agreement shall be followed.

A. Morales
Chair/President, Board of Directors

09/24/2021
Date

Director/Executive Director/General Manager

Date

CITY OF UNALASKA
Off-Cycle Community Support Program Grant Agreement

This Agreement is entered into this _____ day of _____ 2021 by and between the Alaska State Fire Fighters Association – Unalaska Chapter, also known as ASFA ("Grantee") and the City of Unalaska ("Grantor").

WHEREAS, Grantee has submitted an off-cycle request for funds for community support which have not been appropriated; and

WHEREAS, Grantee’s community support off-cycle application for such funds has been approved by Council on the 12th Day of October, 2021, Resolution number 2021-66.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto acknowledge and agree as follows:

I. Grantor agrees as follows:

- a. Fund the amount of \$ 10,000 as approved by the Unalaska City Council. This amount will be dispersed in one lump sum via check to the signer of the application submitted by the non-profit named above.
- b. Provide the following City equipment and/or services as requested in the proposal and off-cycle grant request:

Loan: 1-flatbed trailer Public Works Wash Bay to use as fireworks storage and setup area. Firetruck and paramedic standby crew during the show.

II. Grantee agrees as follows:

- a. Grantee shall expend City grant funds only to perform the services, functions and activities described in the off-cycle grant application and written proposal approved by Unalaska City Council;
- b. Grantee shall have a financial accounting system which separately tracks and accounts for city funds and these records must be made available to the City upon request;
- c. Grantee shall return any unexpended funds not used for the purpose stated in the application and written proposal;
- d. Grantee shall submit all signage advertising, etc., traditional and digital, to the City of Unalaska for review before publicly posting. **For this event the specific requirements are as follows:**
 - **All advertising, traditional and digital, must clearly indicate this is an AFSA event, should welcome the public to view the fireworks display, and list the time and location of the fireworks display.**
 - **All advertising must include the statement “partially funded by the citizens of the City of Unalaska”.**
- e. All equipment loaned and services provided shall be listed in section I.b. of this agreement. Grantee shall be responsible for all equipment borrowed from Grantor and shall return it in as good as condition as it was given. Any damage or issues caused by use of equipment or other services provided by Grantor, such as storage, is the responsibility of the Grantee. Grantor may seek reparations from Grantee if equipment is not returned, or if equipment or property is damaged due to use by Grantee.

f. Other MOU's, indemnification's, etc. may be required and will become part of this master agreement.

Indemnity. Grantee acknowledges that Grantor is serving only as a funding source for the agency and, as such, is not liable in any manner for any claims or damages arising during or as a result of the services provided by Grantee. Grantee shall defend and save harmless Grantor, its employees, elected officials, volunteers, and representatives from and against all losses, damages, liabilities, expenses, and claims demands against Grantee while performing under the terms of this Agreement.

Insurance. Grantee must provide a current certificate of insurance reflecting the following coverage:

- ***Commercial General Liability:*** insurance of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence
- ***Workers' Compensation:*** If required. Coverage no less than is required by Alaska State Statute
- ***Professional Liability:*** required for agencies providing medical, legal and/or counseling services
- ***Additional Insured:*** The City of Unalaska shall be named as an additional insured on all policies except Professional Liability and Workers' Compensation
- ***Waiver of Subrogation:*** a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City of Unalaska must be in place
- *All policies must have a 30-day cancellation clause*

Discrimination Prohibited. To the extent consistent with the purpose for which funds are made available under this program, the services and facilities provided by Grantee will be available to the general public, and Grantee shall not discriminate in the administration of these services based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, physical or mental disability, marital status, changes in marital status, pregnancy, or parenthood.

Grant Cancellation. Grantor reserves and may exercise the right to rescind this grant and seek recovery of payments made under the grant if the grant application or other information provided by Grantee relating to the proposed services is found to contain incorrect or misleading information or if this Agreement is violated.

Applicable Laws. Grantee agrees to comply with all local, state, and federal ordinances, statutes, laws, and regulations applicable to the services provided by the agency. Violation of any such ordinance, statute, law, or regulation is a violation of this grant agreement.

Records and Audit. By accepting this funding and signing this Agreement, Grantee or designee may become subject to inspection and audit by Grantor at all reasonable times. As a result, Grantee may be required to permit Grantor or designee to have access to its records and financial statements for a period of one year from the date of this agreement.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed, or caused to be executed by their duly authorized officials, this Agreement on the respective date indicated below.

Grantor: CITY OF UNALASKA

Grantee: ALASKA FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOC.

By: _____

By: _____

Its: City Manager

Its: Chair, Board of Directors

Dated: _____

Dated: _____