

## **POSSIBLE MOTION**

**I MOVE TO** approve Resolution 2016-06 on  
first and final reading.



# City and Borough of Sitka

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*Coast Guard City, USA*

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mark Gorman, Municipal Administrator  
Mayor McConnell and Members of the Assembly

**From:** Maegan Bosak, Planning and Community Development Director *MB*

**Subject:** Resolution 2016- 6 State Land Acquisition Request

**Date:** April 1, 2016

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Through multiple channels, the City and Borough of Sitka has heard that now is the time to ask for State of Alaska lands. The Planning Commission is recommending a motion of support for a resolution requesting the identified state land parcels for future development and community growth. The motion was made at the March 15<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission and approved unanimously.

CBS continuously pursues possible land acquisitions, trades, etc. with focus on future community development. Current economic trends limit the State's ability for funding, but responding to needs for community growth through disbursement of lands could be an alternate route. Governor Walker has informally extended invitations for land requests to communities on the basis that the lands will be used for housing, community growth and/or economic development. While there is no guarantee that our request will be approved or considered, there is no harm in making the request.

Planning Staff has identified multiple State owned parcels that could be used for future housing, community growth and/or economic development purposes:

Parcel 1: Indian River Valley Parcel  
State of Alaska, Tentatively Approved Parcel  
1443.32 acres

Parcel 2: Millersville  
Department of Education, State of Alaska  
Lot 15 E, Amended Japonski Island Subdivision Seward and Tongass Improvements

Parcel 3: Starrigavan/Katlilan Bay  
State of Alaska, Tentatively Approved Parcel  
1522.07 acres  
Lot 1 and 2, U.S.S. 5530

Parcel 4: Parcel at end of Seward Avenue  
Department of Education, State of Alaska

Upon approval, Staff will forward the resolution and supporting materials to Governor Walker and the Department of Natural Resources.

**Recommendation:** Approve the resolution.