

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA (CBS) AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR A MARITIME ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (PIDP) GRANT FOR \$4,711,399 WITH A 20% MATCH COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE ELIASON HARBOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the working waterfront at Eliason Harbor serves Sitka with moorage, tidal grid, gear work floats, and drive-down load/unloading zones that accommodates up to 242 permanently moored vessels and has averaged approximately 323 unique transient vessels in a given year including commercial fishing, recreation, and charter vessels; and

WHEREAS, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) records show Sitka was ranked 16th port in the U.S. for millions of pounds landed in 2021 with 78.5 million pounds and 14th for U.S. dollars in the same year with \$73.4 million, and ranked 7th port among Alaska ports reporting landings and value in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, the fishing industry is an important component in this community and furthermore, the capability to have a working waterfront to move product and conduct business is essential; and

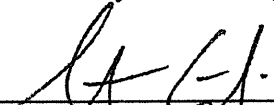
WHEREAS, in July 2020 an inspection report of the electrical system stated that the infrastructure had continued to deteriorate from the poor condition in 2018, the harbor was so far past its service life that portions are unserviceable due to severe corrosion; and

WHEREAS, the Maritime Administration, announced a PIDP 2023 grant opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the CBS proposes a \$5,899,249 project to replace the Eliason Harbor electrical system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka to authorize the CBS Municipal Administrator to apply for a Maritime Administration's PIDP 2023 grant for \$4,711,399 with a 20% CBS match commitment of \$1,177,850 for a total project cost of \$5,899,249.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska on this 11th day of April 2023.



Steven Eisenbelsz, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sara Peterson, MMC
Municipal Clerk

1st and final reading: 4/11/2023

Sponsor: Administrator