

POSSIBLE MOTION

I MOVE TO approve Resolution 2012-24 on
first and final reading.

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA
RESOLUTION 2012-24

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA SUPPORTING FUNDING FOR
THE SITKA SOUND SCIENCE CENTER

WHEREAS, Sitka Sound Science Center, Inc. is an Alaska 501(c)3 non-profit corporation dedicated to increasing understanding and awareness of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems of the Gulf of Alaska through education and research; and

WHEREAS, SSSC was organized in 2007 to continue the scientific educational, training and research traditions existing in Sitka; and

WHEREAS, SSSC uses hatchery cost recovery revenue, tourism donations, private contributions, fees for service, research contracts and grants including the City and Borough of Sitka through its Community Grants and Fisheries Enhancement funding programs; and

WHEREAS, SSSC partners with a number of local, federal and state agencies including a formal MOU with University of Alaska, to provide science education and research opportunities that engage the community and to inform natural resource management decisions in the State; and

WHEREAS, SSSC chairs the Alaska Marine Science and Fisheries Future Career Coalition that is a State group that is encouraging and advocating for more rural Alaskans and Alaska Natives to become involved in marine science and fisheries; and

WHEREAS, SSSC is seeking funding to stabilize its infrastructure by renovating it's building with a new roof, new windows, improved exterior and a new mechanical system so that it can continue to provide economic development and scientific understanding to the region and the State; and

WHEREAS, SSSC has done extensive master planning with the Foraker Group to create a building renovation plan that can be done in phases; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska hereby supports the FY2013 application of the Sitka Sound Science Center for a \$2 million Alaska Legislative grant.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, on this 9th day of October, 2012.

Mim McConnell
Mayor

ATTEST

Colleen Ingman, MMC
Municipal Clerk