## CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-08**

A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA SUPPORTING THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE ALASKA FEDERAL LANDS ACCESS PROGRAM (FLAP) GRANT PROGRAM FOR \$2,000,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 6 OF THE CROSS TRAIL MULTIMODAL PATHWAY IN 2019

WHEREAS, a grant from the Alaska Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP), if awarded, will fund the Phase 6 Cross Trail Multimodal Pathway (Cross TMP) construction from Harbor Mountain to the Alaska Marine Highway Terminal and Starrigavan; and

WHEREAS, the Sitka Cross Trail multimodal pathway project is a community priority since the pathway provides a non-motorized transportation alternative to Sitka's roads and links schools, recreation facilities, downtown, trails, subdivisions and other major public destinations; and

WHEREAS, the Sitka Cross Trail is a publicly-identified priority in the 2003 Sitka Trail Plan to which the City is a MOU partner, the 2002 Sitka Non-Motorized Transportation Plan, Sitka Parks and Recreation Plan, 2007 CBS Comprehensive Plan and 2011 Sitka Outdoor Recreation Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Sitka Assembly has passed eleven separate resolutions since 1998 in support of the Cross Trail project; and

WHEREAS, the Cross TMP Phase 6 construction provides the final link to the Alaska Marine Highway and Starrigavan Recreation area and campground with neighborhood access at the new McGraw Old Sitka Rocks Dock; and

WHEREAS, the Cross TMP Phase 6 will provide a safe and pleasant non-motorized transportation alternative to Halibut Point highway for residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Cross TMP Phase 6 will provide an alternative emergency evacuation route if Halibut Point Road becomes impassible as a result of a catastrophic earthquake and/or tsunami; and

WHEREAS, the Cross TMP Phase 6 will be a sustainable, multimodal pathway design requiring little to no major maintenance over time.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Municipal Administrator of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska is hereby authorized to negotiate, execute and administer any and all documents required for the application and acceptance of funding from the Alaska Federal Lands Access Program and to manage those funds on behalf of the City and Borough of Sitka.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Municipal Administrator of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska is hereby directed to execute any and all agreements with the Alaska Federal Lands Access Program in such a way as to provide for the maximum amount of indirect cost reimbursement to the City and Borough Sitka allowable under Federal guidelines and regulations.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska on this 26th day of April 2016.

Mim McConnell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Peterson, CMC Municipal Clerk