CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA SUPPORTING THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES LIGHTING AND AIRPORT BEACON PROJECT FOR THE SITKA ROCKY GUTIERREZ AIRPORT

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) owns, operates, and maintains the Sitka Rocky Gutierrez Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Sitka (CBS) leases the terminal building at the Sitka Rocky Gutierrez Airport from ADOT&PF; and

WHEREAS, Sitka is one of the State's busier airports with over 90,000 enplanements in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the lighting vault and all lighting controls at the airport are beyond their service lives and functionally obsolete; and

WHEREAS, a failed lighting system in Sitka presents a safety hazard and an issue with keeping the National Airspace System efficient; and

WHEREAS, the rotating beacon is corroded beyond its service life creating a service danger and a danger to nearby NAVAIDS if the beacon were to fall during high winds; and

WHEREAS, the segmented circle panels are losing retro reflectivity which are best to replace during a concurrent project mobilization.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka supports the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities and encourages it to pursue funding for an Airport Improvement Program project to provide necessary repairs to ensure the safety of the large number of civilian and military operations taking place at the Sitka Rocky Gutierrez Airport.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka,

Alaska on this 22nd day of August, 2023.

Steven Eisenbeisz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Peterson, MMC Municipal Clerk

1st and final reading: 8/22/2

Sponsor: Administrator