## **RESOLUTION 2014-06**

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 \$250,000 FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN OF PHASE 6 OF THE CROSS TRAIL MULTIMODAL PATHWAY.

**WHEREAS**, a grant from the Alaska Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP), if awarded, will fund the preliminary planning and design of Phase 6 Cross Trail Multimodal Pathway (Cross TMP) from Kramer Drive to the Alaska Marine Highway Terminal.

**WHEREAS**, the Sitka Cross Trail multimodal pathway project is a priority to the community of Sitka 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, CBS Comprehensive Plan and 2011 Sitka Outdoor Recreation Action Plan; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Cross TMP Phase 6 will be a sustainable, multimodal pathway design to minimize future maintenance; and

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

**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.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska on this 22nd day of April 2014

Min McConnell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Colleen Ingman, MMC

Municipal Clerk