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Wednesday, March 22, 2017

MEMORANDUM

To: Mark Gorman, CBS Administrator

From: Garry White, Director

Subject: GPIP Shoreline Stabilization Project

Introduction

Portions of the shoreline of the Gary Paxton Industrial Park (GPIP) are eroding due to wave action. The GPIP Board of Directors has requested support in funding from the State of Alaska in its FY2014 - FY2016 Legislative Priorities to fix the situation. The shoreline in front of Lot 4 and portions of Lot 9a are now eroding to the point of endangering the upland infrastructure.

Currently, the shoreline along Lot 4 (Building 4690 or Boat Company Building) has been undercut to the point where the foundation of the building may be in jeopardy. A recent sink hole justifies that concern (see photo below). The shoreline seaward of the bus shelter on Lot 9A has also eroded to within a foot of the asphalt.



The GPIP Board of Directors met on February 21 at the GPIP to investigate the shoreline erosion firsthand. The Board unanimously approved the following motion during the meeting:

MOTION: M/S Jones/Bevan moved to immediately remedy the shoreline erosion issues at GPIP using the Environmental Contingency Funds #173.

Analysis

In 1999, the CBS Assembly approved Resolution 99-730, the overall resolution in which the CBS accepted the Alaska Pulp Corporation mill property. The Resolution established the Sawmill Cove Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Contingency Fund or Environmental

Contingency Fund #173. Per the Resolution, the contingency fund was a separate fund reserved for unforeseen expenses that may be incurred by the municipality in implementing the Sawmill Cove Management Plan/MOU between the CBS and State. The fund was to maintain a balance of not less than \$200,000 until the last monitoring event prior to final site closure under the Sawmill Cove Management Plan/MOU. The long-term benthic monitoring programs were concluded in 2014 as the Alaska Department of Conservation deemed that it was no longer required. Per the 2014 Revised MOU, the Department of Environmental Conservation Solid Waste Program now oversees the landfill post closure monitoring requirements and other remaining obligations. The general industrial waste landfill monitoring and reporting is ongoing and required until December 31, 2022. Annual survey requirements will extend beyond that date. CBS is also responsible to address any issues that may arise with the landfill in perpetuity. CBS currently expends ~\$6,000 annually on landfill monitoring, reporting, and surveying. The GPIP Board and CBS Staff feel that Fund #173 is an appropriate source to fund this critical project. It is the intent of the GPIP Board to have the CBS Public Works Department manage the project.

Fiscal Note

Contingency Fund #173 has a balance of \$863,804 per the Finance Director. The Public Works Department ROM cost estimate for the GPIP Shoreline Stabilization 2017 project is \$250,000 which would leave \$613,804 in Fund #173 for any unforeseen expenses that may arise.

Action

Approve Ordinance 2017-09 expanding upon the allowable use of Fund #173 and appropriating \$250,000 from Fund #173 to a new capital project to stabilize the eroding shoreline at the GPIP.