POSSIBLE MOTION

I MOVE TO approve a Letter of Intent between the City and Borough of Sitka and Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association for water delivery and authorize the Municipal Administrator to execute this document.



City and Borough of Sitka

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MEMORANDUM

To:

Mayor Paxton and Assembly Members

From:

Keith Brady, Municipal Administrator VB

Date:

February 6, 2019

Subject:

Approval of the Water Delivery Letter of Intent with NSRAA

Summary

NSRAA is planning and working to expand their operation out at GPIP. Part of their need is for more water. They are seeking approval from the CBS to increase water to a total of 20 cubic feet per second (cfs) from 10 cfs. With the approval of 20 cfs they could apply for a permit to increase eggs and their hatchery production. The application deadline is February 15. With that permit NSRAA can apply for money to build their expansion.

Recommendation

Approval of the Water Delivery Letter of Intent with NSRAA.

Details

There are many issues and concerns that both parties recognize and need to make decisions on (see the Electric Department Directors memo). If the LOI is approved, it is with the understanding for the need to finalize an agreement of water delivery from CBS to NSRAA. A special meeting has been tentatively set for March 14, 2019 to discuss this and the bulk water delivery study.

Water Delivery Letter of Intent

Between the City and Borough of Sitka (CBS) and Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA)

CBS intends to provide up to 14cfs per day of raw water to NSRAA. Water usage based on a calendar year average with a maximum continuous flow of 20cfs.

Both parties shall work out the technical details for water delivery from CBS to NSRAA in a finalized agreement before the need or use of the 20cfs. CBS and NSRAA will continue to abide by the 2012 agreement in the interim.

Steve Reifenstuhl, NSRAA				Date
Keith Brady	, City and Borough of	Sitka	Date	