

Sponsors: Wein and Mosher

## **Discussion / Direction**

on beginning construction of the Cross Trail Phase 6 project as funded and permitted.



# City and Borough of Sitka

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor Paxton and Assembly Members  
Keith Brady, Municipal Administrator

**From:** Assembly Members Wein and Mosher

**Date:** April 17, 2019

**Subject:** Approval of beginning construction immediately of the Cross Trail Phase 6 project along the fully permitted and funded alignment

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**Background:** Sitka Trail Works has invested time, money, and resources in order to complete Cross Trail Phase 6. It is fully funded, and was previously approved to move forward until on 1/21/19, the Municipal Administrator decided to change the plan, thus delaying the project for an unacceptable time to re-do permitting, adding additional funding requirements on Sitka Trail Works.

**Analysis:** Phase 6 of the Cross Trail is a fully funded and permitted project. The project was allowed to proceed with the full knowledge and approval of CBS until 1/21/19. This last minute change to the project will cause costly delays. These last minute changes have not been adequately vetted at the Assembly level.

**Fiscal Note:** Please see the attached note regarding the project history and cost elements.

**Recommendation:** We recommend directing the Municipal Administrator to honor its previous commitment and allow construction to begin on the fully funded and permitted trail alignment. Discussion and direction appreciated.