

POSSIBLE MOTION

I MOVE TO approve Resolution 2019-09 on first and final reading and authorize the Municipal Administrator and/or Mayor to sign the joint endorsement form.

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-09

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA SUPPORTING THE
SITKA RANGER DISTRICT GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ALASKA FEDERAL
LANDS ACCESS PROGRAM FOR HARBOR MOUNTAIN/GAVAN HILL TRAIL
RECONSTRUCTION AND REROUTE**

WHEREAS, Gavan Hill trail is of high value trail for Sitka residents for recreation, physical fitness and for activities for small cruise ship visitors; and

WHEREAS, this project was developed according to the 2003 Sitka Trail Plan to which the City and Borough of Sitka and Alaska State Parks and Sitka Trail Works are plan partners; and

WHEREAS, damage and erosion of the trail from heavy use has occurred since the last major repair project in 1993; and

WHEREAS, the goal is for trail repairs to make a more sustainable trail into the future by replacing failing wood structures and 1000+ steps with aggregate such as gravel and rock requiring far less maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the trail reroute will reduce trail gradient from over 29% to 16% grade and restore the trail to safe condition for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Sitka Ranger District of the Tongass National Forest will receive the funds directly, obtain all funding match requirements and administer all aspects of the contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, by this resolution, supports the Sitka Ranger District grant to the Alaska Federal Lands Access Program for 1.32 million dollars in funding for reconstruction and rerouting the Harbor Mountain/Gavan Hill Trail.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska on this 23rd day of April 2019.

Gary L. Paxton, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Peterson, MMC
Municipal Clerk

1st and final reading 4/23/19