CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-33

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA, ALASKA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.38 "GARY PAXTON INDUSTRIAL PARK" OF THE SITKA GENERAL CODE, AT SECTION 2.38.010 "DESIGNATION", BY REMOVING LOT 17, LOT 18, AND 7,496 SQUARE FEET OF THE EASEMENT ADJACENT TO LOT 17 FROM THE SITE DESIGNATED AS THE GARY PAXTON INDUSTRIAL PARK

- **1. CLASSIFICATION.** This ordinance is of a permanent nature and is intended to become a part of the Sitka General Code.
- **2. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this ordinance or any application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and application to any person or circumstance shall not be affected.
- 3. PURPOSE. As provided in enacting Ordinance No. 00-1568, the GPIP was "...acquired not for governmental purposes, but for economic development and disposal." The stated purpose of the enacting ordinance was that "[i]n general, the property will not be used for public improvements." However, circumstances exist which make it inappropriate to follow the general purpose of the enacting ordinance, at least for two lots (Lot 17 and Lot 18 of the Sawmill Cove Industrial Park Resubdivision No. 1) and a portion of the easement adjacent to Lot 17, which in total amount to a small portion of the GPIP. Lot 17 of the GPIP is needed for a public improvement, i.e., the site for a water filtration plant for the treatment of Sawmill Creek water. The other potential site at the old pulp mill filter plant is expected to cost at least ten million dollars more to develop than Lot 17. Accordingly, due to its usefulness to the public and the resulting large financial savings to the public, it is appropriate to deviate from the general purpose of the GPIP by removing Lot 17 from the GPIP. Lot 18 of the GPIP was transferred to the "Water Enterprise Fund" by Resolution No. 2012-62 for use as a site for a UV water filtration facility for the treatment of Blue Lake water. The transfer of Lot 18 included a transfer of \$65,560 from the UV facility capital account to the GPIP Fund. However, Lot 18 still remains designated within the GPIP. This ordinance would remove Lot 18 from the GPIP, thereby cleaning up the transfer in 2012. The 7,496 square feet of the easement adjacent to Lot 17 is needed for the site of the water filtration plant for the reasons described above. Lot 17, Lot 18 and the 7,496 square feet portion of the easement adjacent to Lot 17 are described on Exhibit B attached to this ordinance and incorporated herein by reference.
- **4. ENACTMENT.** NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka that the Sitka General Code Chapter 2.38, entitled "Gary Paxton Industrial Park" be amended at Section 2.38.010, entitled "Designation", to read as follows (new language underlined; deleted language stricken):

TITLE 2 ADMINISTRATION

Chapters:

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Chapter 2.38 GARY PAXTON INDUSTRIAL PARK

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Sections:

2.38.010 Designation.

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The former Alaska Pulp Corporation mill site is designated as the Gary Paxton industrial park (GPIP), as described in Exhibit A, attached to the ordinance codified in this chapter and incorporated herein by reference, except for those portions of the GPIP described in Exhibit B, attached to the ordinance amending this chapter and incorporated herein by reference. The Gary Paxton industrial park is a municipal department subject to assembly general oversight.

5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective the day after the day of its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, this 13th day of August, 2019.

Gary L. Paxton, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Peterson, MMC Municipal Clerk

1st reading 7/23/19

2nd and final reading 8/13/19

Sponsor: Administrator