CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA (CBS) AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR A BUILD 2020 GRANT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (USDOT)

FOR \$6,539,200 WITH A 20% MATCH COMMITMENT

TO SUPPORT HAULOUT INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE

GARY PAXTON INDUSTRIAL PARK (GPIP)

- WHEREAS, Sitka's main private haulout facility serving Sitka's marine fleet is closing in 2021 leaving the community with no way to fully serve our critical commercial fishing and maritime fleet; and
- **WHEREAS**, Sitka has the largest small boat harbor system and one of the biggest fishing fleets in the State and has long recognized the importance of the fishing and maritime industry to the community of Sitka; and
- WHEREAS, The Alaska Department of Fish and Game records show more than 400 vessel permits in 2020 participating in 65 different fisheries and almost 1,200 permits to various individuals and 2018 records show that 415 fishermen landed 23.9 million pounds with estimated gross earnings of \$41.1 million; and
- **WHEREAS**, the fishing industry is an important component in this community and furthermore, the capability to conduct repair and maintenance activity close to home and the fishing grounds enables vessel owners to be safer and more efficient; and
- WHEREAS, the USDOT announced a BUILD 2020 grant opportunity and CBS is eligible for up to \$25 million per project; and
- WHEREAS, the GPIP Board and CBS have been working on vessel haulout development plans since acquiring the old pulp mill site in 1999; and
- **WHEREAS**, the CBS proposes a \$8,174,000 project to supplement the develop a haulout facility at the GPIP site with the capability of hauling out vessels up to 150 tons or more.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka to authorize the CBS Municipal Administrator to apply for a Build 2020 Grant with the U.S. Department of Transportation for \$6,539,200 with a 20% CBS match commitment of \$1,634,800 for a total project cost of \$8,174,000.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska on this 12th day of May, 2020.

Gary L. Paxton, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Peterson, MMC Municipal Clerk

1st and final reading 5/12/2020

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Sponsor: Administrator