

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW PUBLIC USE SEAPLANE BASE AT THE PREFERRED LOCATION, NORTH END OF JAPONSKI ISLAND, SITKA, ALASKA

WHEREAS, the new Sitka Seaplane Base (SPB) Wait List of 16 aircraft intending to base at the new facility once it is constructed exceeds the 10 minimum required for a basic General Aviation (GA) Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has determined the new SPB is a needed viable critical transportation development project that will also provide positive economic impacts for the City and Borough of Sitka (CBS) and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, the CBS Assembly identified the development of a new public use SPB a priority and passed Resolution 2018-22 in support of the acquisition of the land located at 1190 Seward Avenue, Sitka, Alaska, (Preferred Location) from the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (ADEED); and

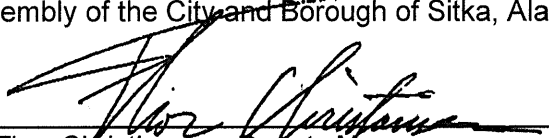
WHEREAS, the Assembly approved the Administrator's execution and acceptance of the FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant for the SPB Facility Phase I, Aviation Planning and the Environmental Assessment (EA) at the Preferred Location; and

WHEREAS, the FAA issued a Finding Of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the recently completed SPB EA allowing the project to move forward to Phase II, Land Acquisition and SPB Design; and

WHEREAS, the FAA Airport Improvement Program Grants available to the CBS in the amount of \$828,248 for Land Acquisition with 0% to 6.25% (\$0 to \$51,766) local match requirement; and \$3,208,066 for Design with 0% to 6.25% (\$0 to \$200,504) local match requirement (please note that the current FAA local match requirement is 0% through September 2021. It is not known if the FAA will increase the Local Match requirement for grant applications submitted after September 30, 2021).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Assembly of the CBS to authorize the Municipal Administrator to execute all required documents for the AIP Grants and Land Acquisition for the development of a new public use Sitka Seaplane Base at the preferred location.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska on this 14 day of September, 2021.


Thor Christianson, Deputy Mayor

ATTEST:


Sara Peterson, MMC
Municipal Clerk

1st and final reading 9/14/2021

Sponsor: Administrator