

CITY OF SAINT PAUL

Alaska

RESOLUTION 24-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL TO APPLY FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S FY24 REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE CITY SOUTH DOCK, NORTH DOCKS AND PIERS, AND HARBOR ROAD UPGRADE PLANNING PROJECT

WHEREAS, The "Rebuilding American Infrastructure With Sustainability And Equity" (RAISE) Grant Program is a competitive transportation program held annually and administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, RAISE program funds are intended for surface transportation infrastructure projects that will improve: safety; environmental sustainability; quality of life; mobility and community connectivity; economic competitiveness and opportunity including tourism; state of good repair; partnership and collaboration; and innovation; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department Of Transportation's "Rebuilding American Infrastructure With Sustainability And Equity" (RAISE) Grant Program is now open for grant applications; and

WHEREAS, RAISE funds can be used toward a variety of transportation projects, for both planning phase and construction phase; and

WHEREAS, Project proposals from rural communities may request 100% federal share; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, Alaska (hereinafter "City") desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of providing funding to accomplish the necessary planning and pre-construction activities for improvements and expansion to the City South Dock, City North Dock and Piers, and the Harbor Road; and,

WHEREAS, the City council, staff, stakeholders, and community partners have identified the City South Dock, North Dock and Piers, and Harbor Road as high priority Harbor improvements; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project will accomplish planning, design, engineering, environmental review and permitting for the improvements and expansion to the City South Dock, City North Dock and Piers, and Harbor Road which will:

- Install new modern energy absorbing fenders, replace and upgrade the bull rails and ladders, install three 80-ton bollards, and install an additional five berthing dolphins with catwalks at the City South Dock;
- Removal of City North Dock and two City Piers, installation of additional 3 dolphin moorage to be in line with new pier headline, installation of new dolphins to include modern, energy-absorbing fender system, installation of two new 40' x 125' approach ramps to the dolphins, installation new catwalks between the dolphins, and add limited

three-phase shore power and fresh water at some of the new moorage spots at City North Dock;

- Conduct maintenance dredging of local sponsor area to -29' MLLW as required, from face of berthing dolphins to federal channel, and to -25' MLLW from face of South Dock to the maneuvering basin; and
- Realignment and reconstruction of the existing Haul Road through the City's Harbor district, creating the new Harbor Road.

WHEREAS, these improvements will increase the safety, efficiency, and level of service for the Saint Paul Harbor; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Saint Paul hereby authorizes applying for RAISE grant funds from the USDOT and authorizes the City Manager to sign all documents relating to the RAISE grant proposal; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that unprevented cost overruns of projects will be detrimental to the City's operating budget. All attempts to avoid cost overruns will be employed to maintain the project's budget. If it is discovered that a cost overrun may be imminent, a strategic response will be determined which may include allocation of City resources, seeking loan and/or grant funding, or other measures as deemed suitable in the best interest of the City and the project's successful completion.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL THIS 30th DAY OF JANUARY 2024 BY _____ IN FAVOR ____ OPPOSED AND ____ ABSTAIN.

ATTEST:

Aubrey Wegeleben, City Clerk

Jacob N. Merculief, Mayor