



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

ALASKA

RESOLUTION 21-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR PLANNING ASSISTANCE FROM THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, AND PROVIDE FOR REQUIRED MATCHING FUNDS

WHEREAS, The provisions of Section 22 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1974, as amended, provides authority for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (hereinafter “Department”) to assist in the development, use, and conservation of water and related resources through the Planning Assistance to States Program; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, Alaska (hereinafter “City”) desires to submit a Planning Assistance request to the Department to the greatest extent possible as a means of providing critically needed repairs and improvements to the Saint Paul Harbor, Phases 2 and 3 specifically; and,

WHEREAS, Phases 2 and 3 of the Saint Paul Harbor Improvements and Expansion Project meet criteria as they are related to the missions and authorities of the Corps of Engineers (Corps); and,

WHEREAS, the City council, staff, stakeholders, and community partners have identified Saint Paul Harbor improvements and expansion as a high priority in need; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Phase 2 and Phase 3 components will, respectively:

- Expand the breakwater and revise the entrance channel. This would include a Federal / U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-led rubble mound breakwater expansion. The addition of a new entrance channel with jetties will improve the wave climate and reduce shoaling and subsequent maintenance dredging;
- Relocate the exit to the Salt Lagoon, expand the upland, and expand the inner harbor. This would allow the beneficial use of dredge material to create uplands with additional moorage.

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

WHEREAS, A Section 22 study under the Planning Assistance to States Program is estimated to cost \$200,000 and requires a 50% cost-share with requesting jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the City has available local matching funds to fulfill its required cost-sharing agreement under the Planning Assistance to States Program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul City Council hereby authorizes submittal of a Planning Assistance to States request to the Department and authorizes the City Manager to sign all documents relating to the request; and,



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul City Council hereby commits to provide a local cash/in-kind match of at least \$100,000, which equals the minimum 50-percent local match required by the Department.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL
THIS 1st DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021 BY ___ IN FAVOR ___ OPPOSED AND ___ ABSTAIN.**

ATTEST:

Jacob N. Merculief, Mayor

Monique Baker, City Clerk