

## **CITY OF SAINT PAUL**

Alaska

## **RESOLUTION 23-03**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL TO APPLY FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO CITY NORTH DOCK AND PIERS 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, Jurisdictions and public entities may submit up to three RAISE project proposals; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the City of Saint Paul, Alaska desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of providing needed repairs and improvements the City North Dock and Piers; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City council, staff, stakeholders, and community partners have identified City North Dock and Piers Project as a high priority in need; and,

WHEREAS, The Improvements to City North Dock and Piers Project focuses includes the following:

- Removal of City North Dock and two City Piers
- Installation of additional 3 dolphin moorage to be in line with new pier headline. New dolphins to include modern, energy-absorbing fender system.
- Installation of two new 40' x 125' approach ramps to the dolphins. These access ramps would be able to hold heavy equipment for loading and off-loading of people and freight. May need to add a portable ramp for the larger vessels.
- Installation new catwalks between the dolphins.
- Limited three-phase shore power and fresh water at some of the new moorage spots

• Conducting 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

**WHEREAS,** Removing and replacing the existing City North Dock and Piers infrastructure will significantly reduce risk of injury for fishermen, increase the efficiency of loading and unloading goods by reducing unproductive delivery time and increase the reliability of access into and out of the harbor.

**WHEREAS**, The City of Saint Paul desires to submit a planning grant proposal for the Improvements to City North Dock and Piers Project, estimated to cost \$1,500,000.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Saint Paul hereby authorizes applying for 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 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023 BY \_\_\_\_\_ IN FAVOR \_\_\_\_ OPPOSED AND \_\_\_\_ ABSTAIN.

ATTEST:

Jacob N. Merculief, Mayor

Aubrey Wegeleben, City Clerk