Resolution 2017-13
of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

Resolution of Support for portions of Tract B Girdwood Industrial Park Phase I (Plat 2016-67) to be utilized for wetlands mitigation through a recorded Conservation Easement and inclusion in the Heritage Land Bank Umbrella Wetlands Mitigation Bank

Whereas, the Heritage Land Bank (HLB) inventory contains HLB Parcel 6-057F, legally described as Tract B Girdwood Industrial Park Subdivision Phase I (Plat 2016-67; PID 075-131-07); and

Whereas, the areas proposed for a wetlands Conservation Easement are outside of the preliminary plat approved industrial lots and would accommodate the existing and planned reconstruction of the Iditarod National Historic Trail; and

Whereas, the proposed Conservation Easement would remain in perpetuity protecting the valuable riparian areas and floodplains surrounding Glacier and California Creeks; and

Whereas, the inclusion of new sites into the HLB Umbrella Wetlands Mitigation Bank is identified in the adopted HLB 2016 Annual Work Program and 2017 – 2021 Five-Year Management Plan; and

Whereas, the HLB acknowledges the need for wetland credits to offset development projects impacting wetlands in the Girdwood Valley and along the Turnagain Arm now and into the future; and

Whereas, the HLB will coordinate with GBOS to ensure that a minimum of twenty (20) percent of the original credits are available to private sector developments in Girdwood and for Girdwood publically funded projects; and

Whereas, the HLB is solely and uniquely qualified to manage Conservation Easements on behalf of the Municipality of Anchorage; and

Whereas, the HLB has received the support of the proposed Conservation Easement from the Girdwood Land Use Committee at their regular meeting on October 9, 2017 with a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 3 abstentions; and

Now Therefore, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves by a vote of 4 in favor and 0 opposed to support the Heritage Land Bank’s proposed Conservation Easement of a portion of HLB Parcel 6-057F on this 16th day of October, 2017.

Jerry Fox
GBOS Co-chair

Date

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