Resolution 2018-03
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR HERITAGE LAND BANK TO EXPEDITE COMPLETION OF PHASE 2 AND 3 OF THE GIRDWOOD INDUSTRIAL PARK

Whereas, the Girdwood Industrial Park has been a priority project for the community of Girdwood and the Girdwood Board of Supervisors for more than twenty years; and

Whereas, Phase 1 of the Girdwood Industrial Park, funded through Alaska Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU), a state grant, and Heritage Land Bank (HLB) funds, will conclude construction in Summer 2018, completing the AWWU facility and 5 other lots that have been leased through a competitive bid system; and

Whereas, Phase 2 and 3 of the Girdwood Industrial Park are awaiting funding in order to begin platting, design and construction, at an estimated cost of $2-$3 million; and

Whereas, the HLB, which owns the lots, has stated that as a self-funded organization, work will begin on Phase 2 and 3 when the HLB has funds to do so; and

Whereas, the Girdwood Industrial Park is a critical element to the basic economic development of Girdwood, its residents and businesses; and

Whereas, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors has added HLB completion of the Girdwood Industrial Park to the 2018 Capital Improvement Projects priority list for the purpose of moving Phase 2 and 3 of the Girdwood Industrial Park to the forefront of the HLB’s planning and budget process; and

Whereas, this topic has been discussed at the Girdwood Land Use Committee, which has recommended that the Girdwood Board of Supervisors write a Resolution of Support by a vote of 26 to 0 at their regular meeting on January 8, 2018.

Therefore, The Girdwood Board of Supervisors requests that the Heritage Land Bank emphasize the importance of the Girdwood Industrial Park by putting it to the top of their list of projects in their one-year-plan and actively seek funding sources in order to expedite the design, engineering and construction, while maintaining an open line of communication regarding the status of the project with the GIBOS, leaseholders at the Industrial Park, and the community of Girdwood.

Passed and approved by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors by a vote of 4 to 0 on this 29th day of January, 2018.

[Signatures]

Mike Edgington, Land Use Supervisor  Date
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