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Resolution 2019-02
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR THE
Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm Heritage Area
Girdwood Parks and Recreation Grant Application

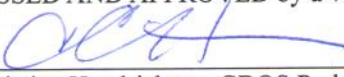
WHEREAS, Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm Heritage Area (KMTA) has is requesting grant applications for projects within the KMTA area; and

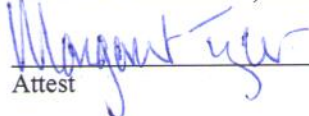
WHEREAS, the Girdwood Parks and Recreation has need of tools and equipment for trail building as they are planning trail work parties and are hiring two youth Student Conservation Association interns in summer 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS) appreciates the commitment and longstanding relationship with KMTA and pursuit of our shared goals in community and youth involvement to increase public awareness and appreciation for the natural, historical and cultural resources in the Heritage Area.

THEREFORE, the GBOS resolves their support for Girdwood Parks and Recreation to pursue a 1:1 matching grant to be used toward the purchase of trail building tools to be used on Girdwood Trails this summer and for many years to come.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 20th day of February, 2019.


Christina Hendrickson, GBOS Parks and Recreation Supervisor


Attest

25 Feb 19
Date

2/25/19
Date

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Resolution 2019-03 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors **RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm Heritage Area Girdwood Bear Aware Grant Application**

WHEREAS, the community of Girdwood is located in a heavily forested narrow valley with multiple salmon-bearing streams flowing throughout, making the community prime black bear and brown bear habitat; and,

WHEREAS, over recent years there have been regular conflicts between bears and humans, usually caused by careless trash handling attracting bears into residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 six bears, including three young cubs, were dispatched in Girdwood due to conflicts caused by human food conditioning; and

WHEREAS, Girdwood Bear Aware (GBA) is a recently formed local grassroots organization with the mission of educating residents and visitors in bear aware practices, particularly around the topic of trash management; and,

WHEREAS, GBA has already been effective in lobbying for the introduction of an ordinance to mandate bear-resistant trash containers within Girdwood Valley; and,

WHEREAS, GBA has applied for a grant from the Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area to produce educational publications to encourage bear aware behavior from visitors and residents of Girdwood; and,

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS) appreciates the commitment and longstanding relationship with KMTA and pursuit of our shared goals in community and youth involvement to increase public awareness and appreciation for the natural, historical and cultural resources in the Heritage Area.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors strongly supports GBA's grant application to KMTA to produce educational publications.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 3 to 0 this 18th day of March, 2019.


Jerry Fox, GBOS Co-Chair


Attest


Date


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Resolution 2019-04 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A VARIANCE FROM AMC 21.07.020B.9. AT 119 STOWE DRIVE

WHEREAS, the existing subject property was built partially within the current twenty five foot stream setback in 1978 prior to the adoption of R11 zoning, and associated stream setbacks, and as such, is a legally non-conforming dwelling granted grandfather rights to that location; and,

WHEREAS, the property is prone to flooding from Stowe Drive, and the stream, when snow clearing operations fill the ditch and stream, due to its low elevation with respect to the road; and,

WHEREAS, the homeowners desire to remove the existing legally non-conforming structure, concrete pad and driveway from the stream setback, mitigate the currently impacted area in the setback with permeable earthwork and landscaping, thereby improving the fish-bearing waterway by improving natural drainage and decreasing the amount of impermeable soils and surfaces in the setback; and

WHEREAS, the owners propose to build a new home entirely outside of the stream setback, and the current design elevates the driveway and house above the flood prone area which requires a building pad and rock retaining wall, no closer to the stream then the existing improvements, 12'-4" into the required stream setback; and

WHEREAS, the removal of the existing non-conforming structure and replacement of it outside of the stream setback with only a landscaped building pad and retaining rock within the stream setback is positive for the property owner, for drainage from the road, and improves the stream; and

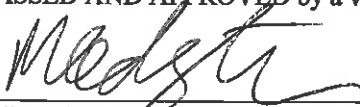
WHEREAS, under the newly adopted MOA stream setback ordinance, projects such as this which remove existing legally non-conforming grandfathered properties, the owners have the right to rebuild within the footprint of the existing structure and the applicant has chosen not to exercise this right; and

WHEREAS, during discussions with the MOA's watershed manager and testimony regarding the newly adopted stream setback requirements, projects such as this which remove existing non-conforming grandfathered properties and improve the stream embankment and drainage, should be viewed positively in their requests for variance for limited encroachment compared to the significant environmental impact of the existing property; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Land Use Committee has reviewed and discussed this application for dimensional variance, and has recommended to the Girdwood Board of Supervisors to write this Resolution of Support by a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstaining at their March 11, 2019 regular meeting.

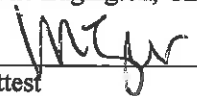
THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves to support the dimensional variance request to allow a newly constructed elevated building pad's retaining wall and fill to encroach into the required 25' stream setback at 119 Stowe Road.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 3 to 0 this 18th day of March, 2019.



Mike Edgington, GBOS Land Use Supervisor

3/18/19
Date



Attest

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Resolution 2019-05 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 2 OF THE GIRDWOOD IDITAROD NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL (INHT)

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors has Resolved to support the Iditarod National Historic Trail through Resolutions and Letters of Non-Objection since 2002, including: GBOS Resolution 2018-13 Resolution of Support for Continuation of Construction of the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail; GBOS Resolution 2017-12 Resolution of Support for Construction of the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail; 2016- 05 Continuing Support for construction and dedication of the INHT alignment in Girdwood; GBOS Resolution 2014-04 Supporting the preliminary plat of the Girdwood Industrial Park and Dedication of the Iditarod National Historic Trail therein; GBOS Resolution 2007-02 supporting a proposal by the US Forest Service to construct and maintain the Iditarod National Historic Trail across municipal land in Girdwood; and GBOS Resolution 2002-16 supporting routing of the Iditarod National Historic Trail through the Girdwood Valley; and

WHEREAS, Girdwood Trails Committee has previously applied for and received funding from the Recreation Trails Program grant, from the Anchorage Park Foundation, and from Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm Heritage Area (KMTA) for trail construction on Phase 1, part 1 of this project, and has completed those tasks with excellent results, and has received grant funds from the Recreational Trails Program grant to complete part 2 of this project in summer, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the scope of Phase 2 of the Lower INHT will bring the completed, upgraded trail from the end of Phase 1 at Ruane Road to Karolius Road, widening the trail, improving drainage, and creating a safe and accessible trail for all trail users; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Trails Committee requested that the Girdwood Board of Supervisors write a Resolution of Support for this project and to seek funding through the Anchorage Park Foundation by a unanimous vote at their March 5, 2019 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood INHT is a significant part of Girdwood's history, and we eagerly anticipate increased ability for all to use this connector trail through Girdwood, connecting the old and new Girdwood Town Sites; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood INHT represents a multi-agency partnership among the US Forest Service, Chugach State Parks, the Alaska Railroad Corporation, the Alaska Department of Transportation, the Iditarod National Historic Trail Alliance, Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU), Heritage Land Bank (HLB), and the community of Girdwood.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves support of the construction of Phase 2 of the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail according to the outline provided in the Girdwood Iditarod Trail Route Study of 1997, and according to specifications of the US Forest Service.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 3 to 0 this 18th day of March, 2019.


Christina C. Hendrickson, GBOS Parks and Recreation Supervisor


Date

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Resolution 2019-06 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE GIRDWOOD AREA PLAN UPDATE COMMITTEE, AS AN ENTITY SEPARATE FROM GOVERNMENT, TO UPDATE THE EXISTING GIRDWOOD AREA PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH MUNICIPAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION AS OUTLINED IN AMC 21.03.130.

Whereas, the community of Girdwood has been operating under the existing Girdwood Area Plan since its adoption in 1995 and many of the stated goals of that plan have come to fruition while others have expired; and

Whereas, the community of Girdwood has initiated the groundwork for the planning process in the past, including forming a Girdwood Area Plan Update Committee which completed a survey of the population in 2007 and meetings with the Municipal Planning Director and original co-chairs of the GAP Committee in 2015, when such planning was funded by the Planning Department. None of these efforts have been formally adopted by the Municipality of Anchorage as an official update of the Girdwood Area Plan; and

Whereas, the Girdwood Area Plan Update Committee was originally formed as a sub-committee of the Girdwood Land Use Committee (LUC) and the Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS) in 2017, and has been working with the Municipality of Anchorage's Heritage Land Bank and Planning Department to create an updated Girdwood Area Plan that will be eligible for Municipal adoption; and

Whereas, the Girdwood Area Plan Update Committee has been approved by the Anchorage Assembly, through Assembly Resolution 2018-176, as a suitable plan sponsor representing the broad public interest and having sufficient knowledge and skill to successfully develop the plan; and


Whereas, the Girdwood Area Plan Update Committee requests a change in the relationship between LUC, GBOS and GAP, in order to achieve formal creation of an independent grassroots organization, in which LUC and GBOS are stakeholders; and

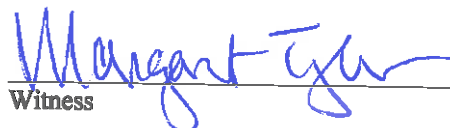
Whereas, the Girdwood Area Plan Update Committee will continue to provide progress updates to LUC and GBOS throughout the process of development of the Area Plan; and

Whereas, this topic has been discussed at the Girdwood Land Use Committee, which has recommended that the Girdwood Board of Supervisors write this Resolution of Support by a vote of 10 to 0 at their regular meeting on April 8, 2019.

Therefore, The Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves their support for the effort of the Girdwood Area Plan Update Committee to operate independently to update the existing plan in accordance with Municipal requirements for adoption, as guided by Girdwood residents.

Passed and approved by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors by a vote of 4 to 0 on this 15th day of April, 2019.


Mike Edgington, Land Use Supervisor 4/17/19
Date


Margaret Tyler
Witness

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Resolution 2019-07 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

Resolution of Support for The Herbal Cache, LLC Marijuana Retail Store License

WHEREAS, The Herbal Cache, LLC Marijuana Retail Store License is due for approval by the Anchorage Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Land Use Committee and the Girdwood Board of Supervisors received presentations from The Herbal Cache at their regular meetings in October and November, 2018, in which public comment was requested and no negative comments were received; and

WHEREAS, The Herbal Cache, LLC and the Girdwood Board of Supervisors signed a Memorandum of Understanding in November, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the change in business structure does not alter the direct management of The Herbal Cache, LLC, which is expected to continue operation in a professional and lawful manner, provide positive economic benefit to the community, and be a good steward in our community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports The Herbal Cache, LLC application for a Marijuana Retail Store license, upon receipt of all required documents by the Municipality of Anchorage.

Passed and approved by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors the 20th day of May, 2019 by a vote of 5 to 0.


Mike Edgington
Girdwood Land Use Supervisor

5/21/19
Date


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Resolution 2019-08 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

Resolution of Support for Amendment to AMC 21.09.050C.2 Relating to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)

WHEREAS, lack of housing has been identified by the Community of Girdwood as a primary area of concern; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Land Use Committee created a Housing Working Group, tasked with finding solutions to propose to help alleviate the housing shortage in the community; and

WHEREAS, The Girdwood Housing Working Group has been meeting, studying the issue, and setting a course of several possible actions to help with the housing shortage since September, 2018; and


WHEREAS, one of the solutions is to remove restrictions on legal conforming Accessory Dwelling Units, intended to both make existing ADUS legal and to encourage homeowners to create more housing; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Housing Working Group has modeled the proposed changes in part on similar code changes that have been approved in other parts of Title 21; and

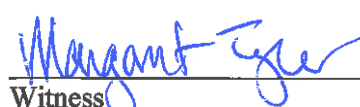
WHEREAS, the proposed changes have been presented at the Girdwood Land Use Committee, which voted 11 to 0 in favor of recommendation to the GBOS to write a Resolution of Support for the proposed amendments to Title 21 Chapter 9 relating to Accessory Dwelling Units;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports the proposed amendments to AMC 21.09.050C.2

Passed and approved by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors the 20th day of May, 2019 by a vote of 5 to 0.


Mike Edgington
Girdwood Land Use Supervisor

5/21/19
Date


Margaret Eyer
Witness

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Resolution 2019-09 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

Resolution supporting Secure Trash Ordinance AO 2019-74(S), and requesting that the Municipal Manager and Anchorage Assembly designate Girdwood Valley Service Area as a Secure Trash Regulation Zone.

Whereas, Girdwood is a small and densely developed community situated in the heart of prime brown and black bear habitat; and

Whereas, the people of Girdwood understand the responsibility to the wildlife whose home we share and seek to minimize human bear conflict; and

Whereas, Girdwood is a resort community with a large number of second homes, short-term rental properties and other temporary visitors, and

Whereas, the community of Girdwood has experienced recurring conflicts with bears in our community with six bears killed by Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) in 2018; and

Whereas, almost 90% of Girdwood's residential customers for-curbside waste pickup already choose to use bear-resistant trash carts; and


Whereas, following multiple public meetings during the summer and Fall of 2018, Girdwood Board of Supervisors passed resolution 2018-18 requesting that the Assembly mandate bear-resistant containers in Girdwood; and

Whereas, the current Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) code lacks clear and enforceable measures requiring trash to be secured from bears; and

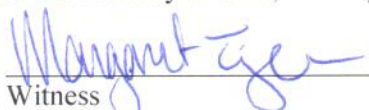
Whereas, the MOA, through the Assembly, has introduced a Secure Trash Ordinance to require improved trash handling throughout the Municipality, including a mechanism for the Municipal Manager to designate Secure Trash Regulation Zones where bear-resistant trash storage is mandatory.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports AO 2019-74(S) and requests that the on passage the Municipal Manager and the Assembly designate Girdwood Valley Service Area as a Secure Trash Regulation Zone at the earliest possible opportunity.

Passed and approved by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors the 17th day of June, 2019 by a vote of 5 to 0.


Mike Edgington
Girdwood Land Use Supervisor


Date


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**Resolution 2019-10
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR THE
Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm Heritage Area
Girdwood Trails Committee Application**

WHEREAS, the community of Girdwood has many trails located throughout the Valley, and a significant number of trail users of all abilities; and,

WHEREAS, over recent years the number of trail users and types of trail use have grown; and,

WHEREAS, many of the community's trails are not signed well and are confusing to those who do not know the area; and,

WHEREAS, the safety of all users is paramount and the signage in this area will provide safety information and locators; and,

WHEREAS, Mikah Wedeking will lead a trail signage installation project, along with the Girdwood Trails Committee (GTC), on the Beaver Pond, Abe's, and California Creek trails for his Eagle Scout project; and,

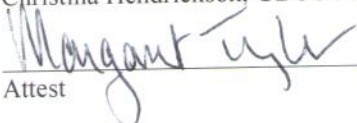
WHEREAS, GTC can apply for a grant from the Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area (KMTA) to produce trail signs that will be posted at trail heads and various waypoints on the trails; and,


WHEREAS, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS) appreciates the commitment and longstanding relationship with KMTA and pursuit of our shared goals in community and youth involvement to increase public awareness and appreciation for the natural, historical and cultural resources in the Heritage Area.

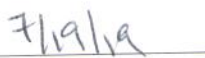
THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports the Girdwood Trails Committee's grant application to KMTA to produce trail signs.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 5 to 0 this 15th day of July, 2019.


Christina Hendrickson, GBOS Parks and Rec Chair


Attest


Date


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**Resolution 2019-11
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR
RENAMING THE ALYESKA BALL FIELD
IN HONOR OF
SLADEN J. MOHL**

WHEREAS, Sladen Mohl was born and raised in the Girdwood Valley, where he learned to play baseball at the Girdwood Ball Field and was a great role model for many kids in Girdwood; and,

WHEREAS, Sladen Mohl attended kindergarten through 8th grade at the Girdwood School, was a Girdwood Cub Scout, and was known as a hard worker and was well-loved by the community, his teachers, and coaches; and,

WHEREAS, Sladen Mohl's life was tragically cut short in an accident while attending college and playing baseball at El Camino Community College in California in Spring, 2019; and

WHEREAS, members of the community of Girdwood want to honor Sladen Mohl by renaming the Girdwood Ball Field in his memory, with plans to fund design, construction and installation of a sign and commemorative plaque.

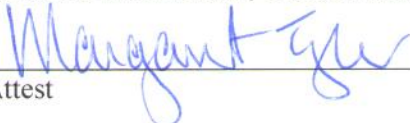
WHEREAS, this idea has been presented to and supported by the Girdwood Land Use Committee by a unanimous vote at their August 12, 2019 meeting.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors and the Girdwood Land Use Committee support renaming the ball field in Sladen's honor, the "Sladen J. Mohl Memorial Field".

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 19th day of August, 2019.




Christina Hendrickson, GBOS Parks and Rec Chair



Attest



Date



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Resolution 2019-12 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors **RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE**

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (AK DOT) APPLICATION FOR ALASKA COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (CTP) GRANT FUNDS

WHEREAS, Girdwood has designated itself in the Girdwood Area Plan of 1995 as a pedestrian-based community, should ensure that pedestrian facilities are maintained for safe passage on a year-round basis; and,

WHEREAS, the Alyeska Highway Pedestrian Safety Corridor was built after Scott and Wesley Gerrish were killed by a vehicle as they walked on the shoulder of Alyeska Highway on December 5, 1981, and such pathways become the design model along new and redesigned highways Statewide; and,

WHEREAS, the community of Girdwood, through the Girdwood Trails Committee, Girdwood Land Use Committee and Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS), lobbied for over 10 years for funding of renewal and repaving of the Alyeska Highway Pedestrian Safety Corridor from Monarch Mine Road to Crow Creek Road; and,

WHEREAS, funding for the pavement renewal project was procured through the State of Alaska Capital Improvements Project (CIP) funding and work was completed in Summer, 2016, in conjunction with re-paving of Alyeska Highway; and,

WHEREAS, after construction, GBOS on behalf of the Girdwood community, has expressed concerns to DOT Engineering about glaciation issues on the pathway where ice buildup makes use of the pathway unsafe during certain winter conditions; and,

WHEREAS, after construction, GBOS on behalf of the Girdwood community, has expressed concerns to DOT Engineering about the safety of the specific design of the sweeps where the path is brought down to Alyeska Highway's Edge of Traveled Way (EOTR) with no intervening buffer; and,

WHEREAS, after construction, GBOS on behalf of the Girdwood community, has expressed concerns to DOT Engineering that the specific design of the sweeps confuses drivers into using the multiuse path as a frontage road; and,

WHEREAS, the Alaska DOT is responsible for design, construction and maintenance of this Right Of Way, and is eligible to apply for funding through Alaska CTP funding; and

WHEREAS, the community has voiced support for Alaska DOT application for Alaska CTP funding by unanimous votes at the Girdwood Trails Committee on August 6, 2019 and the Girdwood Land Use Committee on August 12, 2019.

WHEREAS, the recommended design for sweeps in the Alaska DOT's Highway Pre-construction Handbook (Fig 1210-4) shows a 6' minimum buffer between the pathway and EOTW, such a design mitigating many community concerns about direct proximity to Alyeska Highway traffic and the confusion with a frontage road; and,

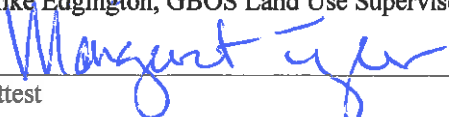
THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors recommends and supports the Alaska DOT applying for a Community Transportation Grant to bring the Alyeska Highway Pedestrian Safety Corridor to the design standard recommended in the Alaska Highway Preconstruction Handbook with a minimum 6' separation between the path and Alyeska Highway EOTW, and to resolve the drainage and glaciation issue that will prematurely erode the path.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 19th day of August, 2019.



Mike Edgington, GBOS Land Use Supervisor and Co-Chair

8/23/19
Date



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**Resolution 2019-13
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT**

**FOR THE
GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA (GVSA) APPLICATION FOR
ALASKA COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (CTP) GRANT FUNDS FOR
ARLBERG ROAD AND THE ARLBERG PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY**

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors (GBOS) is responsible for maintenance of municipal road service in the Girdwood Valley Service Area (GVSA); and,

WHEREAS, the GVSA qualifies for Alaska Community Transportation Program (CTP) Grant funding; and,

WHEREAS, the section of Arlberg Road from the intersection with Alyeska Highway to 1000 Arlberg Road has received no significant pavement maintenance since it was built over 25 years ago; and,

WHEREAS, this section of Arlberg Road and the pedestrian pathway have been identified as project locations that would benefit from CTP grant funding; and,


WHEREAS, the Girdwood Land Use Committee recommended this action to the Girdwood Board of Supervisors by a unanimous vote at their meeting held on August 12, 2019.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports the GVSA application for Alaska Community Transportation Program grant funds to repair and repave the pedestrian pathway and repave Arlberg Road, from the Alyeska Highway intersection to 1000 Arlberg Road.


PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 19th day of August, 2019.



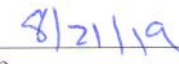
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Resolution 2019-14 Amended
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR A GIRDWOOD COMMUNITY BUILDING TO BE FUNDED THROUGH
MUNICIPAL BOND AT THE SPRING 2020 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Valley Service Area owns and maintains the two buildings located in Girdwood Park, Glacier City Hall and Little Bears Playhouse, which were built in the 1960's, have been used for a variety of purposes over the years, based on need of the community; and

WHEREAS, structural analysis of both buildings in 2011 revealed deficiencies that required immediate structural rehabilitation, significant on-going maintenance, and operational changes regarding occupancy in order to continue to be used by the community; and,

WHEREAS, despite on-going maintenance and structural work, the buildings have continued to age and degrade, and are far from conforming to municipal code requirements for their existing uses, operating only through grandfather rights; and

WHEREAS, the community of Girdwood has expressed support to replace the existing buildings with one modern, efficient structure that will also be used to provide space for community-based activities, including child care; and,

WHEREAS, such a community owned building costing approximately \$2.2 million can be bonded for and would be paid for by only Girdwood Valley Service Area property taxes over a period of 20 years at an estimated rate of .24 mills and stay within the Girdwood tax cap; and

WHEREAS, this bond proposition will be voted on in the Anchorage Areawide municipal election in April 2020; and,

WHEREAS, this idea has been presented to and was supported by the Girdwood Land Use Committee by a vote of 111 in favor, 0 opposed and 4 abstaining at their September 16, 2019 Regular meeting; and


WHEREAS, taking this action does not preclude the Girdwood Valley Service Area and/or Little Bears Playhouse, Inc from continuing to investigate and consider other opportunities for location and partnerships, which may arise; and,

WHEREAS, members of the community have expressed interest in historic preservation activities related to Glacier City Hall and Little Bears Playhouse buildings, which may include but is not necessarily limited to, having the history of the two buildings incorporated into the new community building,

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports the MOA in writing bonding language for an areawide vote in April 2020 for Girdwood to encumber and repay a municipal bond in the amount of not more than \$2.2 million to demolish the existing buildings and build one modern, efficient building that will be used to meet the community's needs.

Original resolution PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 5 to 0 the 21st day of October, 2019.

Amended resolution PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 18th day of November, 2019.



Christina Hendrickson, GBOS Parks and Rec chair

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**Resolution 2019-17
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR PHASE 2 OF THE
GIRDWOOD IDITAROD NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL (INHT), FROM GIRDWOOD
INDUSTRIAL PARK TO KAROLIUS ROAD ALONG THE EXISTING TRAIL
ALIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors has supported the Iditarod National Historic Trail through Resolutions and Letters of Non-Objection since 2002, including: GBOS Resolution 2018-13 Resolution of Support for Continuation of Construction of the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail; 2017-12 Resolution of Support for Construction of the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail; 2016-05 Continuing Support for construction and dedication of the INHT alignment in Girdwood; GBOS Resolution 2014-04 Supporting the preliminary plat of the Girdwood Industrial Park and Dedication of the Iditarod National Historic Trail therein; GBOS Resolution 2007-02 supporting a proposal by the US Forest Service to construct and maintain the Iditarod National Historic Trail across municipal land in Girdwood; and GBOS Resolution 2002-16 supporting routing of the Iditarod National Historic Trail through the Girdwood Valley and extension of the Upper Winner Creek Trail into Twentymile River Area to become part of the Iditarod National Historic Trail; and

WHEREAS, Girdwood Trails Committee applied for and received matching grant of \$5,000 for Phase 2 of the Girdwood INHT from the Anchorage Park Foundation; and,


WHEREAS, Girdwood Trails Committee applied for and received funding from the Recreation Trails Program grant, from the Anchorage Park Foundation, and from Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm Heritage Area (KMTA) for trail construction on Phase 1, Sections 1 and 2 of this project, and has completed those tasks with excellent results; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail is a significant part of Girdwood's history, and we eagerly anticipate increased ability for all to use this connector trail through Girdwood, connecting the old and new Girdwood Town Sites; and

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail represents a multi-agency partnership among the US Forest Service, Chugach State Parks, the Alaska Railroad Corporation, the Alaska Department of Transportation, the Iditarod National Historic Trail Alliance, the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area, Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU), Heritage Land Bank (HLB), and the community of Girdwood;

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves continued support of the construction of Phase 2 of the Girdwood Iditarod National Historic Trail.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 18th day of November, 2019.



Christina C. Hendrickson, GBOS Parks and Recreation Supervisor

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Resolution 2019-18
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors
**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT AWARD TO HUDDLE
AK FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE
GIRDWOOD TRAIL PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Trails Committee, a sub-committee of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors, has been advised by the Municipality of Anchorage Planning department that an overall trail plan for the valley is necessary at this time; and,

WHEREAS, there is a simultaneous ongoing effort to establish an updated Comprehensive Plan for Girdwood Valley, including for recreation, and it is imperative that the Girdwood Trails Plan and updated Comprehensive plan closely coordinate their work with stakeholders to establish a coherent community vision and associated goals for trails; and,

WHEREAS, Huddle AK has recent and ongoing professional projects in Girdwood through grassroots groups, the Municipality of Anchorage, and local businesses, each of which contributes to a unique understanding of Girdwood and the needs and concerns of the community, including:

Assistance with public outreach and coordination of public meetings on behalf of the Girdwood Area Plan Update, since 2018 and on-going,

Assistance with public outreach through the CRW Engineering contract on the Girdwood Cemetery Schematic Design (presented in 2019),

Outreach with the MOA Planning's Historic Preservation Plan (drafted and presented in 2018); and,

Managing focus group studies with Alyeska Resort (2019)

WHEREAS, Huddle AK's current and ongoing experience in Girdwood projects offers a depth of knowledge that will allow the project to move past the introductory phase and stakeholder identification to work on the real issues of the Girdwood trail plan efficiently and productively; and,

WHEREAS, Girdwood trail projects on public land, which have received approval by the Girdwood Trails Committee, are currently stalled and opportunities for funding are being missed due to lack of a

trail plan; and,

WHEREAS, Huddle AK's experience builds trust in the company's ability to successfully document and include various perspectives of the community and achieve a plan that has the support of the community as a whole, with a goal of completing the plan in time to meet the communities existing trail needs and mindful of anticipated use in the future; and,

WHEREAS, sole source contract with Huddle AK will benefit Girdwood through continuity in current planning efforts, cost saving associated due to existing understanding of the community and stakeholders, and swifter progress on creation of a long-overdue comprehensive trail plan for Girdwood; and,

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Trails Committee has recommended this Resolution of Support by a vote of 9 in favor, 1 opposed and 6 abstaining at their regular meeting on November 5, 2019;

THEREFORE, Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves support for Huddle AK to be awarded a sole source contract of \$48,500 to be paid by Girdwood property taxpayers for work on public engagement and writing of a trail plan to guide future trail development in Girdwood.

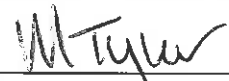
PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 18th day of November, 2019.



Christina C. Hendrickson, GBOS Parks and Recreation Supervisor

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**Resolution 2019-19
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors**

Resolution in support for code change to allow food and beverage kiosks in area zoned gC10 by adding a "P" to gC10 21.09-2: Table of Allowable Uses.

WHEREAS, Girdwood Brewing Company owners Josh Hegna and Rory Marengo have presented to the Girdwood Land Use Committee and to the Girdwood Board of Supervisors, their plan for food trucks to be permitted in the gC10 zone; and,

WHEREAS, food trucks benefit the local community and its visitor-based economy and should be promoted; and,

WHEREAS, four local Girdwood small businesses own food trucks; and,

WHEREAS, Girdwood Commercial Zoning District gC-10 would be an appropriate district to allow food trucks, and

WHEREAS, per Anchorage Municipal Code Title 21.09-2: Table of Allowed Uses: The petitioners ask that GBOS support their request that the Anchorage Planning and Zoning Commission recommend the approval of an ordinance, as drafted by the Planning Department, for a text change in Chapter 21.09: Girdwood Land Use Regulations to amend 21.09-2: Table of Allowed Uses to include a "P" under the gC10 zone to allow food and beverage kiosk for this purpose; specifically food trucks; and,

WHEREAS, if the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the ordinance, it would then be scheduled for a public hearing with the Municipality of Anchorage Assembly where it must be adopted to take effect; and,

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Land Use Committee has reviewed the request at public meetings in November and December 2019 and has voted to recommend a GBOS Resolution of Support for this action by a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstaining.

THEREFORE, it is resolved by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors to support an amendment to the Anchorage Municipal Code Title 21.09, Girdwood Land Use Regulations, to amend 21.09-2: Table of Allowed Uses to include a "P" under the gC10 zone to allow food and beverage kiosk for this purpose; specifically, food trucks.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors by a vote of 4 to 0 this 16th day of December 2019.


Mike Edgington, Chair, GBOS Date



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TABLE 21.09-2: TABLE OF ALLOWED USES

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P = Permitted; C = Conditional; S = Administrative Site Plan Review; M = Major Site Plan Review; O (with # inside) = see end of table
For GIP, GCR-1, GCR-2, GCR-3, GDR, and GRR districts, see Section 21.09.040, Zoning Districts

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Resolution 2019-20

Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR PLACEMENT OF NO PARKING SIGNS ON ONE SIDE OF THE ROAD ON ECHO RIDGE DR AND GARMISH RD

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Public Safety Advisory Committee, Girdwood Housing Committee, and Girdwood Land Use Committee have heard a variety of comments from residents of Echo Ridge Drive and Garmish Road regarding safety concerns stemming from parking overflow on these two roads; and,

WHEREAS, Echo Ridge Drive is of high concern due to the density of large homes used for short-term rental, narrow road bed, and steep slope of the road; and,

WHEREAS, Garmish Road is of high concern due to its proximity to the parking area at Alyeska Resort's Daylodge and lower mountain lifts; and,

WHEREAS, in reviewing these concerns, the Municipal Parking Engineer supported parking restriction on both sides of the roads; and,

WHEREAS, residents have expressed support for restricting parking on one side only, and

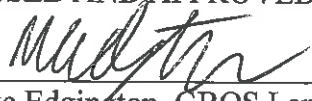
WHEREAS, Girdwood Volunteer Fire and Rescue have confirmed that emergency vehicle access is not impeded by vehicles responsibly parked on a single side of Garmish Road or Echo Ridge Drive; and,

WHEREAS, with the new Whittier Police Services contract, Whittier Police Department will have the authority to enforce signed parking restrictions; and,


WHEREAS, Girdwood Valley Service Area has the authority under AMC 27.20.110 to spend funds on road maintenance.

THEREFORE, based on discussions at various subcommittees and a recommendation by the Girdwood Land Use Committee at their regular meeting on December 9, 2019 by a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstaining, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves support for placement of no parking signs on one side of the road on Echo Ridge Drive and Garmish Road.

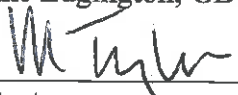
PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 4 to 0 this 16th day of December, 2019.



Mike Edgington, GBOS Land Use Chair



Date



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