



## CITY MANAGER REPORT

**Reporting Period:** July 8 – August 5, 2022

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### **Meetings**

#### *Meeting with Agnew Beck Regarding CEDS*

On July 25, 2022, Monique, Stephanie, David, Chief Castro and I met with Agnew Beck staff to discuss revisions to the Saint Paul Island Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The Aleut Community of Saint Paul Island contracted with Agnew Beck to update the 2017-2022 CEDS. Agnew Beck met with the City administrative staff to review the priorities in the previous CEDS and find out what the City has accomplished in the past 5 years that was identified in the CEDS. We also discussed major changes that have occurred since the last CEDS. Lastly, we discussed what the City and community need to focus on in the next 5 years that would be included in the CEDS. See the attached introductory planning letter regarding the CEDS update process and timeline. Notes from this meeting will be provided to City Council once they are available.

#### *Meeting with Noah Oppenheim Regarding PRIME and Sanctuary*

On July 28, 2022, Monique, Mayor Jacob and I met with Noah Oppenheim with Homarus Strategies regarding updates to PRIME and the proposed marine sanctuary. Noah has been contracted by the Aleut Community of Saint Paul Island to assist with the advancement of PRIME and the sanctuary process. We had a rich discussion and gained a better understanding of the purpose of PRIME and the process by which the marine sanctuary would occur. I provided Noah with a list of questions regarding PRIME and the sanctuary and a statement regarding collaboration and communication with the City moving forward (*see attached*). I requested that Noah and/or someone from the PRIME team update the City Council regarding where things are at with PRIME, the sanctuary and the dropping of the 100 nm sanctuary boundary.

### **Grants and Contracts**

Lynn and I have been working on several grant proposals. See Lynn's report for more information.

#### *Electric Power Constructors*

On August 1, 2022, I sent a Notice to Proceed to Electric Power Constructors informing them to proceed with all aspects of upgrading the fuel system at the power plant; design and purchase of switchgear; and design and purchase of the new G&W switch. The Public Works Director and I will have regular weekly meetings with EPC/EPS/MBI staff working on this project.



USDA RUS Grant for Airport Feeder Replacement

Lynn, Chris Davis with EPS and I met with the USDA RUS grant staff on August 4, 2022 to discuss the cost overruns for the airport feeder replacement project. The cost overruns are due to inflation costs of materials, supply chain issues and increase shipping costs of materials. USDA informed us that the grant will be suspended until we can secure additional funding to complete the project. USDA RUS does not have additional funding for the project. It is estimated that the City will need an additional \$935,683 on top of the \$1,472,733 already awarded by USDA RUS to complete the project. Lynn and I will be looking for additional funding sources needed to complete this project.

ADEC Village Safe Water Sewer Lift Station Replacement

On August 5, 2022, I had a project kick off meeting with Aaron Wheatail with ADEC and Daniel Nicholas with Kuna Engineering. Kuna was selected as the engineering firm to design the new lift stations and manage the construction of the lift stations. Kuna is planning a site visit September 29 – October 4, 2022. The site visit will consist of surveying the site and systems, archaeological work, sample collection, looking at flow data and meeting with our Water/Wastewater Operators. Upon completion of the site visit Kuna will prepare a Design Analysis Report which will include 35% design drawings. A final project schedule will be available after this site visit. Preliminarily, final 95% design and construction drawings are to be completed by early 2023 and sending out a bid for construction in early March 2023.