



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

ALASKA

RESOLUTION 23-02

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 CITY SOUTH DOCK AND HARBORMASTER OFFICE REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS 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 (hereinafter “City”) desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of providing needed repairs and improvements the City South Dock and Harbormaster Office; and,

WHEREAS, the City council, staff, stakeholders, and community partners have identified South Dock Harbor improvements and a new Harbormaster Office as a high priority in need; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project components will:

- Install new modern energy absorbing fenders on the City South Dock;
- Replace and upgrade the bull rails and ladders at City South Dock;
- Install three 80-ton bollards at City South Dock;
- Install an additional five berthing dolphins with catwalks increasing the effective and usable mooring length by 250 feet to the north of City South Dock; and,
- Construct a new modern Harbormaster Office away from the breakwater in a tentative proposed location within the Small Boat Harbor uplands.

WHEREAS, these improvements will increase the safety, efficiency, and level of service for the Saint Paul Harbor; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Saint Paul desires to submit a capital/construction proposal for repairs and improvements to the City South Dock and Harbormaster Office, estimated to cost \$13,500,000.

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 16th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023 BY ___ IN FAVOR___ OPPOSED AND ___ ABSTAIN.

ATTEST:

Jacob N. Mercurief, Mayor

Aubrey Wegeleben, City Clerk