

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS



Davidson Landing Fire Hall

The City of Thorne Bay intends to submit a request for grant funding through the Alaska Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), for the purpose of funding the following project:

Project: Emergency Medical Services / Fire Department – Construction and Repair of Fire / EMS Hall Facilities.

Project Description: CDBG funds will be used to construct an EMS / Fire Hall Building near Davidson Landing to accommodate at least two fire trucks, one ambulance and an office to serve as an incident command center for emergency services response. The existing facility will not accommodate these needs, so a new building needs to be constructed.

Additionally, the EMS / Fire Hall on Freeman Drive needs repairs to the heating system and to the roof as it is leaking into the medical supply room and causing damage to sensitive equipment and supplies.

Location: Davidson Landing, South Thorne Bay Subdivision, Thorne Bay, AK

& Thorne Bay Fire Hall located at 110 Freeman Drive, Thorne Bay, AK

Maximum amount of CDBG funds that may be requested: \$850,000

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public is invited and encouraged to submit written comments for consideration to the City of Thorne Bay, 120 Freeman Drive, P.O. Box 19110, Thorne Bay, AK 99919, on or before **(November 2nd, 2020) at 4:00 p.m.** All such written comments so received will be considered.

If no objections are received by November 2nd for the proposed project, the City Council, at their regular meeting November 10, 2020, at 6:30p.m. will adopt a resolution that would authorize the Mayor and/or the City Administrator to submit a grant request to the State of Alaska, US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and to negotiate and execute any and all documents required for granting and managing funds on behalf of the City of Thorne Bay for the purpose of constructing a new Fire Hall at Davidson Landing, and for repairs to the roof and heating system on the Fire Hall located at 110 Freeman Drive.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT CDBG FUNDING:

Community Development Block Grants - Alaska

The goals of the Alaska Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) are to provide financial resources to Alaskan communities for public facilities and planning activities which address issues detrimental to the health and safety of local residents and to reduce the costs of essential community services. The program may also fund Special Economic Development activities which result in the creation of jobs for low- and moderate-income persons.

CDBG competitive grants are single-purpose project grants; maximum of \$850,000 per community. There are three basic funding categories: community development, planning and Special Economic Development.

CDBG programs utilize the resources of the Community Development Block Grant program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Approximately \$2 million is available for competitive grants for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 20 grant cycle.

Any Alaskan municipal government (except Anchorage) is eligible to apply for the grants. Non-profits may apply as co-applicants for these pass-through funds. In a typical year, applications are distributed to municipalities in late fall, and awards are made the following spring. Federal regulations require 51 percent of the persons who benefit from a funded project must be low- and moderate-income persons as defined by HUD.

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