

# CITY OF THORNE BAY RESOLUTION 21-01-05-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND OPERATIONS OF THE THORNE BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY

# BE IT ENACTED BY THE THORNE BAY CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the City Council is the governing body for the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Thorne Bay supports all efforts made by the Friends of the Library and the City of Thorne Bay on behalf of the Thorne Bay Public Library to enhance its capacity and service to patrons; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the MOU is to provide a general understanding of the roles and responsibilities of each party in regard to the construction and continued operations and maintenance of a new Library within the City Limits of Thorne Bay; and

WHEREAS, the MOU is being entered into in good faith and both parties understand and stipulate that the MOU is not a legally binding document and, in the event, that any provision of the MOU conflicts with the City's Municipal Codes and Ordinances, the City Code shall prevail; and

WHEREAS, any party to the agreement may terminate with or without cause by providing 60 days' notice in writing and may be amended by written agreement signed by all parties upon the approval of the City Council;

**WHEREAS**, the responsibilities of the City of Thorne Bay and the Friends of the Library are identified as Article 3 and Article 4 in the MOU as follows:

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska; authorizes the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of the Library.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of Thorne Bay,

Alaska, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021

ATTEST:

Teri Feibel, CMC

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

# Between the Friends of the Thorne Bay Library And The City of Thorne Bay Regarding the New Library

#### **PREAMBLE**

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#### ARTICLE 6. GENERAL UNDERSTANDING, TERMINATION, AND AMMENDMENTS

This MOU constitutes a general understanding by the parties about their respective roles and responsibilities regarding the new Thorne Bay Library. The parties have entered into this agreement in good faith and fully intend to carry out the responsibilities described herein. The parties understand and stipulate that this MOU is not a legally binding document and do not intend it to be. In the event that any provision of this MOU conflicts with the Thorne Bay City Code, the code shall prevail.

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