



CITY OF THORNE BAY  
RESOLUTION 22-02-01-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA, SUPPORTING THE PRINCE OF WALES ADVISORY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 22-01**

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

**WHEREAS**, the City of Thorne Bay is a member of the Prince of Wales Advisory Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the representatives from the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities have discussed proposed road projects for Prince of Wales Island and have suggested that communities on the island develop a consensus of road projects priorities for inclusion in the State of Alaska's STOP, Public Forest Service Roads Program, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Roads Program; and,


**WHEREAS**, the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council has discussed road needs on Prince of Wales Island and recommends that the following projects and priorities be adopted by the Island communities and submitted to the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for inclusion in the State's planning and prioritization process; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council for the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska, supports the Prince of Wales Advisory Council Resolution No. 22-01 attached below.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council, for the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2022.

ATTEST:

  
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Lisa Roseland, Appointed, Acting City Clerk

  
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Lee Burger, Mayor

**PRINCE OF WALES COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION No. 22-01**

**A JOINT RESOLUTION BY AND BETWEEN THE COMMUNITIES OF THE PRINCE OF WALES  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL (POWCAC) SETTING TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES FOR  
PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND FOR 2022**

**WHEREAS**, the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council acts in an advisory capacity for participating communities on Prince of Wales Island; and,

**WHEREAS**, the representatives from the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities have discussed proposed road projects for Prince of Wales Island and have suggested that communities on the island develop a consensus of road projects priorities for inclusion in the State of Alaska's STIP, Public Forest Service Roads Program, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Roads Program; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council has discussed road needs on Prince of Wales Island and recommends that the following projects and priorities be adopted by the Island communities and submitted to the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for inclusion in the State's planning and prioritization process; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the communities of the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council hereby adopt the following regional transportation projects and priorities for roads on Prince of Wales Island:

**FOREMOST TRANSPORTATION PRIORITY**

| <u>Priority</u> | <u>Project Name</u>        | <u>Project Description</u>   |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--|
| 1.              | Operational Support to IFA | Continue annual appropriation through the following means: 1) in the State of Alaska General Fund operating budget, and 2) inclusion of IFA support in the State Transportation Improvement Plan |

**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES**

| <u>Priority</u> | <u>Project Name</u>       | <u>Project Description</u>   |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--|
| 1.              | Kasaan Road               | Phase I-Goose Creek to Tolstoi Bay; Phase II-Tolstoi Bay to Kasaan: Upgrade to a two-lane road at 35 mph design speed. Surface with D1 and asphalt. The road is critical to Kasaan and carries school bus traffic, daily commuting from S. Thorne Bay to the balance of Prince of Wales Island, and industrial truck traffic, making upgrade of the right of way priority. |
| 2.              | Resurfacing Hydaburg Road | Redesign, straighten, and resurface the Hydaburg road to provide safe driving conditions.  |
| 3.              | Whale Pass Road           | Upgrade and pave the Neck Lake road from the existing pavement into Whale Pass to the harbor.  |

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| 4. | Twin Island Road            | Upgrade and pave the Twin Island Road to create a suitable road base for El Capitan cave and northisland traffic.                            |
| 5. | Port Saint Nicholas Road    | Upgrade and improve the remainder of the Port Saint Nicholas Road system located outside of Craig.   |
| 6. | Sandy Beach Road            | Upgrade and reconstruct between Thorne Bay and Coffman Cove. Evaluate merits of construction of the low elevation Eagle Creek road segment.. |
| 7. | Ratz Harbor-Eagle Creek Rd  | Construct a low elevation road between Ratz Harbor and Eagle Creek   |
| 8. | Big Salt Lake/Boundary Road | Resurface from Control Lake Junction to Frank Peratrovich Airport Junction   |

### **AIR TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES**

- | <u>Priority</u> | <u>Project Name</u>                          | <u>Project Description</u>   |
|-----------------|--|--|
| 1.              | Frank Peratrovich Airport                    | Construct/install taxiway and lease lot improvements detailed in the airport master plan.  |
| 2.              | Frank Peratrovich Airport Winter Maintenance | Attain designation change from being listed as an unattended to attended airport facility.   |
| 3.              | Public Parking                               | Provide public parking at Peratrovich Airport.   |
| 4.              | Update IFR Runway Edge Lights                | Update lights. These are white lights, except on instrument runways where yellow replace white on the last 2,000 feet or half the runway length, whichever is less, to form a caution zone for landings. |
| 5.              | Approach Lighting System                     | Replace approach lighting system with sequenced, Flashing, lead in lights. This creates a higher level of safety and provides operators with higher reliability of a successful landing.                 |

### **ROADS TO RESOURCES**

- | <u>Priority</u> | <u>Project Name</u>              | <u>Project Description</u>  |
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| 1.              | POW Minerals and Hydropower Road | Construct road access to POW mine and hydro-electric project sites, including Reynolds Creek, Niblack Mine, and Bokan Mountain sites. |

### **ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES**

- | <u>Priority</u> | <u>Project Name</u>      | <u>Project Description</u>  |
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| 1.              | Community Transit System | Establish an Island-wide bus system to connect communities and transportation hubs. |

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| 2. | Roads and Trails vegetation control     | Mechanical not chemical means for controlling noxious and/or invasive plants.                                |
| 3. | Prince of Wales North End Ferry Service | General support of future efforts to establish a ferry from the North End to neighboring island communities. |

**NON-MOTORIZED FACILITY PRIORITIES**

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| 1. | Craig-Klawock Path           | Construct a multi-use path for 4.7 miles along the highway between Craig and Klawock. Consider joint venture on project with State of Alaska as electrical transmission line owner, Alaska Power and Telephone, and communities. |
| 2. | Multiple Use Paths           | Construct multi-use paths along the mainline road system Prince of Wales Island.   |
| 3. | POW Discovery/Visitor Center | Planning, design, and construction of a POW Discovery/visitor's center.  |

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, US Forest Service and FHWA Western Federal Lands Division in Vancouver, Washington, Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, Governor Mike Dunleavy, Senator Bert Stedman, Rep. Dan Ortiz, Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins, and other members of the Alaska Legislature that represent Southeast Alaska communities.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 25th day of January, 2022 by the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council.

POWCAC Chair

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Member Approvals: