



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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA, SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION TO RECEIVE ADEC SERVICES FOR ADDITIONAL BROWNFIELDS ASSESMENT, CLEANUP PLANNING, AND CLEANUP OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FROM THE OLD FIRE HALL

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

WHEREAS, the City of Thorne Bay Old Fire Hall has been listed as a Brownfields site due to contamination with cement asbestos siding on the exterior of the building and in the soil as well as petroleum contamination in the ground along the walls of the building and assumed, to also have migrated under the building; and

WHEREAS, the City of Thorne Bay had a Property Assessment and Cleanup Plan (PACP) prepared in 2010 through the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Reuse and Redevelopment initiative; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 PACP was updated in 2021 by Addendum to the 2010 PACP which included the discover of petroleum contaminated soils and an updated cost for site cleanup estimated at \$250,812; and

WHEREAS, Pearl Nelson Memorial Park is adjacent to the Old Fire Hall and the City has planned for Park expansion and updates, which include the community constructed covered picnic shelter with future plans to add an outdoor fireplace; and

WHEREAS, with a full asbestos abatement, structure demolition and hazardous material cleanup at the long unused adjacent property, the community could move forward with plans for the Pearl Nelson Memorial Park expansion and put this property back into service as a beneficial public use; and

WHEREAS, the City cannot afford the costly site cleanup on its own and is seeking every opportunity to find available funding partners/programs to assist with this cleanup; and

WHEREAS, the DEC Brownfield Assessment & Cleanup (DBAC) program has been assisting Alaskan communities get contaminated land back into reuse since 2003 by providing communities environmental services which means that applicants selected for funding can expect DEC to handle the hiring of an environmental contractor and completing the required paperwork the U.S. EPA; and

WHEREAS, the DBAC program is currently accepting applications for cleanup assistance where eligible applicants and owners can apply to receive environmental services and the City finds this to be a good opportunity to seek further help from DEC to begin the cleanup planning, demolition and other site cleanup work needed for beneficial property reuse.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City Council for the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska, supports the 2022 DBAC application for DEC/Contractor services to complete any additional assessments as needed, cleanup planning, and cleanup of the hazardous materials from the Old Fire Hall and the City property where it is located and directs staff to complete and submit the application ahead of the February 11, 2022 deadline and further authorizes the Mayor to sign any and all awards, agreements, contracts or other such future documents related to this application as may be required from time to time by the DBAC program.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council for the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska, this 1st Day of February, 2022.

ATTEST:



Lee Burger, Mayor



Lisa Roseland, Appointed, Acting City Clerk