

AGENDA

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE
CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA
TUESDAY, February 21, 2023

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

THERE WILL BE A WORKSHOP BEGINNING AT 6:00PM

LOCATION: IN PERSON AT CITY HALL or TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO CONFERENCING LINE

Phone Number: 1- 650-479-3208

Meeting Link:

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- 1) CALL TO ORDER:
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- 3) ROLL CALL:
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- 5) MAYOR'S REPORT:
- 6) ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:
- 7) PUBLIC COMMENTS:
- 8) COUNCIL COMMENTS:
- 9) CONSENT AGENDA:
 - a) MINUTES
 - i. [Minutes of the February 7, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:](#)
- 10) NEW BUSINESS:
 - a) [Resolution 23-02-21-01](#), A Resolution of the City Council Supporting the OVK Raise Grant application, discussion and action item:
 - b) [Resolution 23-02-21-02](#), A Resolution of the City Council approving the updated Memorandum of Agreement for Road Maintenance with the Organized Village of Kasaan, discussion and action item:
 - c) [Resolution 23-02-21-03](#), supporting the POWCAC Resolution supporting the Prince of Wales Advisory Resolution No 23-01, 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 2023, discussion and action item:
 - d) [Resolution 23-02-21-04](#), a resolution of the City Council for the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska, approving a budget for the improvement of Pearl Nelson & Playground Equipment of \$60,000.00, discussion and action item:
- 11) ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:
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- 13) CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:
- 14) CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:
- 15) ADJOURNMENT:

POSTED: February 17, 2023

MINUTES

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE
CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA
TUESDAY, February 7, 2023

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

THERE WAS A WORKSHOP THAT BEGAN AT 6:00PM

1) **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Burger called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

2) **PLEDGE TO FLAG:**

The council and audience stood for the pledge to the flag.

3) **ROLL CALL:**

Oatman, Jennings, Stram, LaVoie, Hartwell, Burger and Nyquest were present.

4) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Burger moved to approve the agenda. Hartwell seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

MOTION: Move to approve the agenda.

F/S: Burger/Hartwell

YEAS: Hartwell, Jennings, LaVoie, Burger, Nyquest, Oatman & Stram

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

5) **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Burger commented on the poor telephone services within Thorne Bay.

6) **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

I. **City Administrator:**

- In the process of hiring a new Assistant Solid Waste Operator so far there are a total of 6 applicants and will likely interview all six applicants.
- Currently working on a one-time Asbestos Disposal Permit for the hazardous materials clean-up and demolition of the old fire hall.
- Working on grant application with OVK and their consultant for the Kasaan Road. Currently at the end of working on a Community Transportation Grant for the Kasaan Road through Department of Transportation.
- Working on closing out CDBG Grant for Davidson Landing Fire/EMS Hall.
- Working on a reimbursement request for the Kasaan Road intersection project to the Forest Service for payment of the work done to date.
- We did get the Port to Claw Trail grant closed out and got reimbursed by the Forest Service prior to the deadline.
- We are getting estimates for the Solid Waste Baler Building repairs and expect them to be in the neighborhood of \$40,000. I will bring a recommendation to the next meeting for repairs once I

have them and can see what the insurance company will pay for the one door, expected to be \$12-\$14K for that repair.

- Report from Superior Marine on the EMS boat is that it looks repairable and will be fixed before March.

Oatman inquired why there was a limit of 19 years of age in order to work at Solid Waste. Huestis commented that he was not sure of a reason, it could have been an oversight and if there was nothing that prohibited it, an 18-year-old would be considered.

Nyquest expressed concern of the City hiring people and then paying for them to get their CDL and they quit for higher paying jobs. Suggested the City offer current employees get their CDL. Huestis commented that all employees are encouraged to get their CDL, but none are interested.

b) Department Reports:

i. Water Department Report:

Sam Sawyer, Water & Wastewater Supervisor provided the following written report:

- Currently we are working with Village Safe water on getting grant funding to overhaul our sewer lift stations, electrical panels and replacing/repairing sewer manholes.
- We have identified the main sources of ground water infiltration in our distribution system and worked closely with Village Safe Water to determine the most important issues needing to be addressed.
- The community of Thorne Bay has been struggling with I&I entering their wastewater system for many years, so these proposed improvements are essential for long-term operation and compliance of their system. Approximately 40 manholes need to be completely reconstructed and built up appropriately to the grade of the road, while another 70 can be improved by grout sealing the cracks and joints. Four of their five lift stations need desperate rehabilitation. This includes Mechanical Systems, Ductile iron discharge piping, Ball style check valves, new pumps, Electrical Systems, New electrical switchgears, Exterior wet well junction boxes, Cable plugs, Control Systems, Headend SCADA computer, Primary and backup level sensors, Standardized control panels. All these improvements are vital in aiding the community to maintain compliance with their wastewater discharge permit, reduce O&M and electrical costs, and establish a system that will address the community's needs for decades to come.

ii. Harbor Report:

Simon Doyle, Harbormaster, reported the following:



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DEPARTMENT REPORT

Subject: Monthly Department Report
Department: HARBOR
Supervisor: SIMON DOYLE
Employees: _____
Date: 2-6-23

A Departmental Overview

Focus is on repair and maintenance of harbor facilities and equipment.

Current Department Activities:

- COMPLETED PRESSURE WASHING OF HARBOR PAVILLION, BATHROOMS, AND SHOWER - WILL CONTINUE ON HARBOR WHEN WATER IS TURNED ON
- ORDERED PAINT AND SUPPLIES TO REPAINT FLOORS IN BATHROOMS AND SHOWER - AND PARKING LOT LINES
- PERFORMING OIL CHANGES IN HARBOR TRUCK, PRESSURE WASHER, SNOW BLOWERS, AS WELL AS OTHER MINOR MAINTENANCE ON EQUIPMENT
- STARTED REPLACING AND SLIP NUMBERS AT BOTH HARBORS
- REPAIRING NORTH SIDE WIND SOCK THIS WEEK
- ENGAGED WITH APST TO GET ADDITIONAL SECURITY LIGHTS INSTALLED AT DAVIDSON LANDING SCHOOL BUS STOP AND VETERANS PAVILLION
- NORTH SIDE BOAT LAUNCH HAS BROKEN PILING HEADS AS A RESULT OF CORROSION AND THICK ICE THIS WINTER. CURRENTLY WE ARE GETTING PRICING INFORMATION FOR NEEDED HARDWARE AND DEVELOPING A PLAN FOR REPAIRS. BOAT LAUNCH IS FULLY OPERATIONAL AND SECURE UNTIL REPAIRS CAN BE MADE
- PLANNING FOR HARBOR BOAT MAINTENANCE AFTER EMS BOAT RETURNS

7) PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Anthony Level commented on the following:

- EMS board meeting was held and elected officers to qualify for their non-profit corporation status.
- The Sponsoring physician will be on the Island to do the Skills Training for the EMT's
- Working on Grants for radios and a new ambulance
- Update from previous EMS report, over the 2022 year there were 38 calls

Samuel Sawyer commented on the following:

- If the city is willing to pay for a new employee to get a CDL, are they willing to pay existing employees? Huestis stated that all employees are encouraged. Sawyer commented he was not aware.
- Suggested the City put a clause into the hiring that if the city pays for someone to get their CDL that they must pay it back.

8) COUNCIL COMMENTS:

There were no council comments.

9) CONSENT AGENDA:

a) MINUTES

i. Minutes of the January 17, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting, discussion and action item:

Burger moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the Minutes for the January 17, 2023, City Council Meeting. Hartwell seconded the motion.

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the Minutes for the January 17, 2023, City Council Meeting
F/S: Burger/Hartwell
YEAS: Burger, Nyquest, LaVoie, Hartwell, Jennings, Oatman & Stram
NAYS: None
STATUS: Motion Passed.

10) NEW BUSINESS:

b) Resolution 23-02-07-01, A Resolution of The City Council of Thorne Bay, Alaska, Updating the Authorized Signers on The Ems Checking and Savings Account with Tongass Federal Credit Union

Burger moved to approve Resolution 23-02-07-01 A Resolution of The City Council of Thorne Bay, Alaska, Updating the Authorized Signers on The Ems Checking and Savings Account With Tongass Federal Credit Union. Hartwell seconded the motion.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 23-02-07-01, A Resolution of The City Council of Thorne Bay, Alaska, Updating the Authorized Signers On The Ems Checking and Savings Account With Tongass Federal Credit Union
F/S: Burger/Hartwell
YEAS: Burger, Nyquest, LaVoie, Hartwell, Jennings, Oatman & Stram
NAYS: None
STATUS: Motion Passed.

- c) Resolution 23-02-07-02, A Resolution of Support for An Organized Village of Kasaan Grant Application to The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Community Transportation Program for The Improvement of The First 5.4 Miles of The Kasaan Road

Burger moved to approve Resolution 23-02-07-02, A Resolution of Support for An Organized Village of Kasaan Grant Application to The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Community Transportation Program for The Improvement of The First 5.4 Miles of The Kasaan Road.

Hartwell seconded the motion. Huestis explained the purpose of the Resolution was to support the CTP Grant application that the Organized Village of Kasaan is putting in for. This resolution would also support a one percent match of the overall grant amount. Huestis commented that the difference of OVK applying for the grant instead of the City of Thorne Bay, is because we would be required to put forth a 9.03% match, which is not feasible for Thorne Bay to do. Huestis commented that the cost for reconstructing the 5.4 miles of road is just under 15 million dollars. That section of road was selected because it is the section that would benefit the most from it. With OVK applying for these funds, they are able to filter the grant through the State to the Tribe and allows them more control of the grant and keeps the costs down. Additionally, the State is extremely busy and is under a lot of pressure to distribute the money to all of these projects and with OVK able to take over and manage the project, it takes some of the workload off of them. This is not official but may be a factor. By adopting this resolution showing support for this road and offering funds towards a match, it will show this is a team effort which scores higher when determining a grant award. Nyquest inquired if the City would be on the hook for the extra funds if the project went over by 5 million. Huestis commented that the Resolution is only authorizing up to \$150,000.00.

Oatman inquired how long the city would have until they had to pay the \$150,000.00? Huestis commented that it was hard to say, but likely at least 2 years. The City will make sure that we are saving up our Sales Tax account to be certain the funds were there when needed.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 23-02-07-02.
F/S: Burger/Hartwell
YEAS: Burger, Nyquest, LaVoie, Hartwell, Jennings, Oatman & Stram
NAYS: None
STATUS: Motion Passed.

- d) Resolution 23-02-07-03, A Resolution of The City Council, for the City of Thorne Bay, accepting a bid and authorizing a budget for the purchase of three new garage type doors for the Solid Waste bailer building and authorizing a contract for the repairs.

Burger moved to approve Resolution 23-02-07-03, A Resolution of The City Council, For the City of Thorne Bay, Accepting A Bid and Authorizing a Budget For The Purchase of Three New Garage Type Doors For The Solid Waste Bailer Building and Authorizing A Contract For The Repairs. Hartwell seconded the motion. Huestis explained the need for the expense.

Huestis commented that he did not shop around for a bid to do the repairs but feels that the quote received is reasonable.

Nyquest inquired why the city didn't file claims on other damages that were done to the building a well. Huestis commented that he was sure they could have been claimed at the time but doesn't think it could be reported this late.

Jennings inquired if this would make the city have to pay more in the long run, will the insurance rates increase? Huestis commented that the insurance company wants us to report damages. We participate in an Insurance Pool, so it doesn't increase rates.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 23-02-07-03, A Resolution of The City Council, For the City of Thorne Bay, accepting a Bid and Authorizing a Budget For The Purchase of Three New Garage Type Doors for The Solid Waste Bailer Building and Authorizing a Contract for The Repairs

F/S: Burger/Hartwell

YEAS: Burger, Nyquest, LaVoie, Hartwell, Jennings, Oatman & Stram

NAYS: None

STATUS: Motion Passed.

11) **ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:** There were no ordinances for Public Hearing.

12) **ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:** There were no ordinances for introduction.

13) **CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Anthony Lovel commented on the following:

- Re-Potholes and Sanding on Subdivision Side. I have requested an idea that we could come up with for people to come in and get rock and sand.
- Can we try to afford pothole rock/sand rock be stored at the solid waste site that would be given out to only approved individuals. I would volunteer to do so.

14) **CONTINUATION OF COUNCIL COMMENT:**

Stram requested to be excused from the next two city council meetings as he will be in Florida.

Jennings commented he would also be out of town but would try to call in if possible.

Burger commented he would be gone in March.

15) **ADJOURNMENT:**

Burger adjourned the meeting at 7:36pm

ATTEST:

Lee Burger, Mayor

Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer



Sponsor: Mayor Lee Burger
Adoption: February 21, 2023
Vote: ___ Yeas, ___ Nays, ___ Absent

**CITY OF THORNE BAY
RESOLUTION 23-02-21-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, IN SUPPORT OF A REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) GRANT FOR THE KASAAN TO GOOSE CREEK ROAD PROJECT BEING SUBMITTED BY THE ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF KASAAN (OVK) DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (OVKDOT) AND AUTHORIZING OVKDOT TO CONSTRUCT THE PROJECT AND SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION AND THE PROJECT IN THE SPIRIT OF SISTER COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR A REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PROJECT.

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

WHEREAS, the City of Thorne Bay (TNB) has maintenance responsibility for around 12 miles of the Kasaan Road and has been seeking every funding opportunity to make improvements to this road in close partnership with the Organized Village of Kasaan (OVK); and

WHEREAS, the OVK has final plans, specifications and estimates and permits for the reconstruction of the entire 17.3 miles of the road including the section operated and maintained by TNB and both agencies are always seeking funding to construct the project or parts of it at least; and

WHEREAS, TNB has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with OVK for the maintenance of the 12 miles TNB is responsible for and has done so for many years because OVK has a robust DOT with the equipment and expertise to perform this work more effectively and efficiently than TNB does and the MOA provides for reimbursement from TNB to OVK for the work performed on their behalf on a monthly and annual basis; and

WHEREAS, TNB fully supports all of OVKs applications for funding for the Kasaan Road and OVK supports TNBs applications for funding for the Kasaan Road in a close partnership for the maintenance and construction of the road to the benefit of the Tribal members, the City of Kasaan and the City of TNB; and

WHEREAS, the Kasaan Road is the sole road access to the rest of the world for half of the residents of TNB and all of the residents of the City and Village of Kasaan; and

WHEREAS, the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity "RAISE" Transportation Grants Program provides dedicated, discretionary funding for transportation infrastructure projects of local or regional significance and OVK seeks to work with the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) and its Office of Infrastructure Finance and Innovation to improve and expand the transportation infrastructure of Prince of Wales Island and specifically the communities of Kasaan and Thorne Bay; and

WHEREAS, the USDOT is soliciting applications for \$1.5 billion for the FY 2023 RAISE Transportation Grants Program as authorized and appropriated through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (“Bipartisan Infrastructure Law” or “BIL”), under the Local and Regional Project Assistance Program in BIL, and an additional \$800 million appropriated through the FY 2023 Appropriations Act for the RAISE Grants program, for a total 2023 RAISE Grant program of \$2.3 billion; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2023 RAISE Grant program directs available funds to be divided not more than 50% for projects in rural areas, like the communities of Kasaan and Thorne Bay, and 50% for urban areas and requires measures to ensure an equitable geographic distribution of grant funds and an appropriate balance in addressing the needs of urban and rural areas; and

WHEREAS, RAISE Grants awarded under BIL funding may not be greater than \$25 million and grants awarded under the FY 2023 Appropriations Act funding may not be greater than \$45 million and will have no minimum for planning projects; and

WHEREAS, under federal law, eligible entities to receive RAISE Grant program funds include units of local government and Federally recognized Indian Tribes such as OVK and the Cities of Kasaan and Thorne Bay and eligible projects include highway, bridge, and road projects such as the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road project; and

WHEREAS, OVK and TNB are seeking funds to complete the construction of the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road Project which is fully designed and permitted and shovel-ready and will be used to reconstruct the road to a consistent 35 mph design standard to correct horizontal and vertical alignment deficiencies and to construct a new two lane paved surface complete with new striping, signing, guardrails and other features to improve the safety of this road that provides the only access in and out of the communities of Kasaan and South Thorne Bay on Prince of Wales Island in Southeast Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the BIL allows for tribal transportation program funds under Section 202 of title 23 and Federal lands transportation program funds under Section 203 of Title 23 to be considered “non-Federal” for the purposes of the RAISE Grant program cost share requirements and OVK has acknowledged the availability of all non-federal funds required for the RAISE Grant program overall project cost share as identified in their RAISE grant application and recognized that this project meets the program definition of a rural project which may be eligible for up to 100% RAISE Grant funding; and

WHEREAS, OVK’s FHWA approved Long-Range Transportation Plan and Tribal Transportation Improvement Program which is used to implement its transportation priorities shows its further commitment to supporting this projects application for funding of its number one priority transportation project and supports its intent to submit a RAISE grant application to the USDOT; and

WHEREAS, RAISE Grant funding will be used to complete the construction of the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road project which has strong regional support and is the number one priority surface transportation project for OVK, the City of Kasaan, the City of Thorne Bay and the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, after the appropriate public input and due consideration, TNB has recommended that an application be submitted by OVK to the USDOT 2023 RAISE Grant program for the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road Project MP 0.00 to MP 17.4.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the TNB City Council:

Section 1. That OVK does submit an application to the USDOT for the 2023 RAISE Grant program funds needed for the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road project on behalf of the Communities of Kasaan and Thorne Bay and fully executes any project related agreements as may be necessary to accept the award of such funding in the future.

Section 2. That OVK has provided assurance to the USDOT that sufficient funding for the OVK non-Federal cost sharing contributions as shown in the RAISE application budget for the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road Project is or will be available for this rural project and TNB has committed match funding that is contributory to the overall project as well.

Section 3. That OVK has provided assurance to the USDOT that OVK will commit to maintenance and operations responsibilities in partnership with the City of Thorne Bay and the City of Kasaan through the use of Memorandums of Agreement as has been used for years to provide sufficient resources and funding for the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road Project and will continue to do so for the useful life of the project which also exhibits the strength of the partnership of these agencies around the management of this regionally significant transportation asset.

Section 4. That TNB, supports OVK's RAISE Grant application and requests the USDOT's Office of Infrastructure Finance and Innovation to favorably consider the RAISE Grant application for the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road project, and to approve the application and grant the funds necessary to move the project forward as expeditiously and effectively as possible.

PASSED AND APPROVED February 21, 2023

ATTEST:

Lee Burger, Mayor

Teri Feibel, CMC
For Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer



Sponsor: Mayor Lee Burger
Adoption: February 21, 2023
Vote: ___ Yeas, ___ Nays, ___ Absent

**CITY OF THORNE BAY
RESOLUTION 23-02-21-02**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY (TNB), APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF KASAAN (OVK) FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OTHER SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY OVK THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) IN PARTNERSHIP WITH TNB AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE MOA

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

WHEREAS, OVK intends to continue to assist TNB in performing road maintenance, on the Kasaan to Goose Creek Access Road within the City limits of the TNB as it has done in partnership with TNB for many years; and

WHEREAS, this update to the MOA is intended to refresh this commitment and specifically cover additional areas of interest between the two agencies such as the application and delivery of certain grants and grant funded projects on the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road project; and

WHEREAS, OVK is capable of providing the necessary road maintenance, grant writing, construction project delivery and administration of grants and other services in conjunction with the above mentioned road and projects on this road; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of both OVK and TNB to enter into this MOA because citizens of both TNB and OVK rely on this road as their sole access in and out of South TNB and the community of Kasaan on a daily basis and both agencies have different strengths and different operational capacities and a strong partnership is critical to the mission of both agencies in managing this transportation asset; and

WHEREAS, OVK's FHWA approved Long-Range Transportation Plan and Tribal Transportation Improvement Program which is used to implement its transportation priorities shows its further commitment to supporting the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road project completion as it is identified as the number one priority transportation project and supports its intent to work with TNB on its further development and delivery to include long term maintenance even after the construction is completed in the future; and

WHEREAS, the maintenance and construction of the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road project has strong regional support and is the number one priority surface transportation project for OVK, the City of Kasaan, the City of Thorne Bay and the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, after the appropriate public input and due consideration, TNB has recommended that the road maintenance and construction services MOA with OVK be approved.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the TNB City Council that the attached MOA creating a unified maintenance and construction program between TNB and the OVK Department of Transportation is hereby approved to guide the work the two agencies do together to achieve their goals and objectives in creating an improved and well-maintained roadway network and to jointly support each other on project delivery to the mutual benefit of all of our citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the TNB City Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the MOA and any subsequent documents mentioned in the MOA or other project level agreements either specified or required for carrying out the intent and spirit of the MOA in the maintenance and operations of the roads or projects to improve the roads covered under this MOA.

PASSED AND APPROVED February 21, 2023

ATTEST:

Lee Burger, Mayor

Teri Feibel, CMC
For Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer



**CITY OF THORNE BAY
RESOLUTION 23-02-21-03**

Sponsor: Lee Burger, Mayor
Adopted On: _____
Vote: ___ Yeas, ___ Nays, ___ Absent

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA, SUPPORTING THE PRINCE OF WALES ADVISORY RESOLUTION NO 23-01, 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 2023

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

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

WHEREAS, the Prince of Wales Advisory Council has discussed road needs on Prince of Wales Island and recommends that the projects and priorities listed on the attached Resolution No. 23-01 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Thorne Bay, City Council, hereby approves the joint resolution by and between the communities of the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council setting transportation priorities for Prince of Wales Island for 2023.

PASSED AND APPROVED February 21, 2023

Lee Burger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teri Feibel for
Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer

**PRINCE OF WALES COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL RESOLUTION No.
23-01**

**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 2023**

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 north island 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> |
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| 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. Rebecca Himshoot, and other members of the Alaska Legislature that represent Southeast Alaska communities.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of January, 2023 by the Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council.

POWCAC Chair

Member Approvals:



Sponsor: Lee Burger, Mayor
Adopted On: _____
Vote: ___ Yeas, ___ Nays, ___ Absent

**CITY OF THORNE BAY
RESOLUTION 23-02-21-04**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA, APPROVING A BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF PEARL NELSON & PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT OF \$60,000.00

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

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the need for park upgrades to existing play equipment at Pearl Nelson Park, which is very old, rusty, and the support beams are rotten, creating a liability to the city; and

WHEREAS, the City Parks & Events Coordinator has identified certain playground equipment from Hersberger Lawn Structures Ltd., and listed on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference (the "Equipment") as the specific type of equipment it recommends the City purchase for Pearl Nelson City Park playground renovations; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost to replace and install the new play equipment is \$60,000.00, and the City administration feels this is a reasonable price considering the cost of materials and work that will be required for removing existing and installing new playground equipment to include partial construction of a new rockery retaining wall along Shoreline Drive and recommends the City Council accept and authorize the budget for improvements to the Pearl Nelson Park and the purchase of the playground equipment, either as presented or something equivalent based on public input; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Events Coordinator proposes that the purchase of new equipment and expenses for preparation and installation of the property and equipment be budgeted from the Community Development Sales Tax Savings fund which currently has \$156,550.93.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Thorne Bay, Alaska, hereby approves the purchase and installation of new Playground Equipment at the Pearl Nelson Park, for a total not to exceed amount of \$60,000 which will be paid for out of the Community Development Sales Tax Savings fund.

PASSED AND APPROVED February 21, 2023

ATTEST:

Lee Burger, Mayor

Teri Feibel, CMC
For Caitlyn Sawyer, City Clerk/Treasurer