Petersburg Borough, Petersburg, Alaska

RESOLUTION #2016-20

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PERMANENTLY REPAIR HAUGEN DRIVE IN 2016

WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (ADOTPF) has undertaken a project titled the Haugen Drive and Bike Path Improvements, Project No. 0938(4) ~69518; and

WHEREAS, this project's goals were to repair existing and long standing sidewalk failures, repave Haugen Drive, extend a pedestrian sidewalk from 8th Street to 12th Street, and install a new bike path from the airport to Sandy Beach Road in Petersburg; and

WHEREAS, Federal Highway Administration funds were utilized to design and build the project; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to sidewalks and the new sidewalk extension were installed per the ADOTPF plans and specifications during the construction season of 2015; and

WHEREAS, the new sidewalk design has shown to be unstable with the newly installed improvements settling and moving, causing failures to concrete and also to the road surfacing in the general vicinity of the sidewalk extension; and

WHEREAS, the ADOTPF has a current plan to apply a surface repair that does not address the root of the problem and will lead to increased maintenance costs and monitoring costs for the State of Alaska, as well as potentially dangerous conditions for motorists and pedestrians as the sidewalk and road surface continues to settle and fail; and

WHEREAS, ADOTPF has a qualified and experienced Contractor, SECON Inc., in Petersburg who has been contracted to build the project in question and is capable of implementing a permanent repair to this section of road; and

WHEREAS, the consensus of Borough Public Works administration, SECON Project Managers, and local ADOTPF Project Engineer is that a permanent fix would entail removing existing surfacing, excavating all unsuitable soils, backfilling with suitable rock, and rebuilding the surface improvements, including the roadway pavement and sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, the current Contract for the project has unit pricing available to streamline a Contractual change that would permanently address the road and sidewalk failures in 2016, make the best use of Federal Highway funds, minimize ongoing maintenance costs for the State of Alaska, and eliminate future monitoring costs for the State of Alaska, while providing safe transportation facilities for the citizens of Petersburg and the State of Alaska.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Petersburg Borough Assembly urges the ADOTPF South Coast Region to authorize changes to the Haugen Drive Project that will permanently repair Haugen Drive road surfacing and sidewalks in 2016.

Passed and Approved by the Petersburg Borough Assembly on August 1, 2016.

ATTEST:	Cynthia Lagoudakis, Vice-Mayor
Melinda Swihart, Deputy Clerk	