

1 CITY OF HOMER  
2 HOMER, ALASKA

3 City Manager/  
4 Public Works Director

5 RESOLUTION 14-072  
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7 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA,  
8 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A GRANT  
9 AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE  
10 (USFWS) FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF A SECTION OF THE  
11 BELUGA SLOUGH TRAIL.  
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13 WHEREAS, The Homer City Council accepted a grant from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife  
14 Service (USFWS) to reconstruct large sections of the Beluga Slough Trail (Grant Agreement  
15 No. 70181AG029) and construction is now complete; and  
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17 WHEREAS, One section of the trail that needs replacement was excluded from the  
18 project due in large part to a lack of available funding; and  
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20 WHEREAS, Mayor Wythe and several Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission  
21 members have expressed disappointment that this section of the trail was not replaced  
22 because it is in disrepair and represents a safety hazard, especially in the winter; and  
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24 WHEREAS, The City Engineer has provided USFWS with a cost estimate of \$110,000 to  
25 replace the remaining section of trail; and  
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27 WHEREAS, The USFWS recently informed the City that it had identified unspent funds  
28 in a program budget that could be used for this purpose and inquired whether the City was  
29 interested in accepting the money and assuming responsibility for project management; and  
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31 WHEREAS, The City administration has proposed accepting the grant and providing an  
32 "in-kind" local match consisting of design, permitting, and project management; and  
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34 WHEREAS; USFWS has indicated that the funds must be obligated by June 30, 2014 or  
35 they will no longer be available for this project; and  
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37 WHEREAS, It is necessary for the City Council to authorize the City Manager to sign a  
38 grant agreement in advance in order to obligate the funds because an ordinance accepting the  
39 grant and appropriating the funds could not be adopted until July 28, 2014; and  
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41 WHEREAS, An ordinance accepting the grant and appropriating the funds is scheduled  
42 for introduction at the June 23<sup>rd</sup> council meeting, concurrent with this resolution.  
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44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Homer City Council hereby authorizes  
45 the City Manager to sign a grant agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for  
46 reconstruction of a portion of the Beluga Slough Trail.  
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48 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2014.  
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50 CITY OF HOMER

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54 MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR  
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56 ATTEST

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60 JO JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK  
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62 Fiscal Note: N/A  
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