



RESOLUTION No. 14-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT WITH MARITIME HELICOPTERS, INC. FOR ONE YEAR WITH OPTIONS TO RENEW FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR TERMS TO PROVIDE HELICOPTER SERVICES BETWEEN THE AKUTAN AIRPORT ON AKUN ISLAND AND THE COMMUNITY OF AKUTAN

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough (AEB) entered into a Co-Sponsorship Agreement (CSA) in March 2010 with the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities and the City of Akutan for the construction and operation of the Akutan Airport located on Akun Island; and

WHEREAS, AEB agreed to provide reasonable public access between the airport and the community for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, AEB has determined that the cost of operating the hovercraft at \$3 million plus per year is unsustainable; and

WHEREAS, AEB has issued request for proposals from carriers interested in providing scheduled helicopter service to provide reasonable public access between the Akutan Airport and the community; and

WHEREAS, AEB has selected a helicopter company to provide reasonable public access between the Akutan Airport and the community at a substantial savings as compared to the hovercraft; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 1 of the CSA allows AEB to substitute helicopter services to provide access to the Akutan Airport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Aleutians East Borough Assembly hereby authorizes the Mayor to negotiate a contract with Maritime Helicopters, Inc. for one year with options to renew for two additional one year terms determined by the Mayor in substantially the same format and substance of the attached agreement.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH on this 6th day of November, 2013.

IN WITNESS THERETO:

By: 
Stanley Mack, Mayor

ATTEST:


Tina Anderson, Clerk