



RESOLUTION No. 15-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AMENDMENT NO. 1 OF THE CO-SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND THE CITY OF AKUTAN, AND SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. 14-07

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 substituted the hovercraft Suna X to provide the transportation services from the opening of the Akutan Airport to February 15, 2014 instead of purchasing a new hovercraft; and

WHEREAS, AEB made substantial repairs and upgrades to the Suna X in preparation for transportation service for the new airport on Akun Island; and

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

WHEREAS, AEB 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 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, the CSA requires that modifications be by written agreement; and

WHEREAS, the AEB Assembly approved Resolution No. 14-07 substituting the helicopter for the hovercraft; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 1 was not finalized until now and includes other changes, including the substitution of a helicopter that requires additional Assembly review and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Aleutians East Borough Assembly hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 1 of the Co-Sponsorship Agreement providing the transportation services between the Akutan Airport and the community of Akutan.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH on this 10th day of September, 2014.

IN WITNESS THERETO:

By: Stanley Mack
Stanley Mack, Mayor

ATTEST: Tina Anderson
Tina Anderson, Borough Clerk