



## RESOLUTION 19-06

**A RESOLUTION BY THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY  
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO.  
3 OF THE CO-SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES AND THE CITY 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**, the Borough agreed to provide reasonable public access between the airport and the community for twenty years; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 10, 2014 via Resolution No. 15-06 the Assembly passed CSA Amendment No. 1, which provided for the substitution of the helicopter for the Akutan Airport link; allowed the use of funds needed to set up a fuel system in Akutan for the helicopter; removed the \$500,000 cash contribution by the City that had been budgeted for the purchase of a new hovercraft and provided for the use of funds to assess additional alternative transportation access that will reduce the current annual operational costs; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the high cost to maintain and operate the helicopter operation the Borough, State of Alaska and the City of Akutan have worked to find a solution to alleviate the Borough's financial burden; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 30, 2017 via Resolution 17-25 the Assembly passed CSA Amendment No. 2, which permitted a portion of the \$3,100,000 in State funds from the City of Akutan's FY2006 general fund grant, extended by re-appropriation in FY2014, to be used to help subsidize the costs of helicopter operations, and the deadline provided in CSA Amendment No. 1 for investigating, and if necessary, committing to an alternative access solution as set forth in Section 5 of Amendment No. 1 was extended two additional years; and

**WHEREAS**, after subsidizing the helicopter operation the \$3,100,000 City of Akutan general fund grant will have a remaining balance of approximately \$1,581,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant termination date has been extended to June 30, 2019 and the remainder of the grant funds must be spent prior to that date; and

**WHEREAS**, per Amendment No. 3 the unused portion of the \$3,100,000 in State funds from the City of Akutan's general fund grant will be will be used to fund the Akutan Boat Harbor Utility Project.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Aleutians East Borough Assembly hereby authorizes the Mayor to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3 of the Co-Sponsorship Agreement with the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities and the City of Akutan.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Aleutians East Borough on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018.



Alvin D. Osterback, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tina Anderson, Clerk