

CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL COMMITTING \$500,000 IN MATCHING FUNDS TO PRIORITIES AND PROJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THE CITY OF DILLINGHAM WATERFRONT STRATEGIC PLAN

WHEREAS, The City of Dillingham, located at the mouth of the Nushagak River, an inlet of Bristol Bay, an arm of the Bering Sea in the North Pacific, in southwestern Alaska; and

WHEREAS, The City of Dillingham is the regional hub of the rich Bristol Bay salmon fishing district known worldwide as the home of the world's largest runs of wild sockeye salmon and returns of other species of Pacific salmon and where Commercial fishing remains an important part of the regional economy; and

WHEREAS, Dillingham is an important gateway to many sport fishing lodges and other eco-tourism opportunities, as well as the adjacent Wood-Tikchik State Park (the largest state park in the United States), and headquarters for nearby Togiak National Wildlife Refuge, home to walruses, seals, terrestrial mammals, migratory birds, and fish, as well as one of the largest wild herring fisheries in the world, and

WHEREAS, The Port of Dillingham serves residents in Dillingham, and many Southwest Alaska Villages, by providing docks, marine services and a wide array of other community services and facilities for commercial fishing, cargo and recreational vessels; and

WHEREAS, The Dillingham boat harbor is the only protected harbor in the area, providing moorage for approximately 400 vessels up to 32 feet in length and space for transient vessels up to 80 feet in length; and

WHEREAS, The City has prepared and adopted the Dillingham Waterfront Strategic Plan, which identifies priorities and projects intended to enhance and improve current waterfront activities, promote additional community and economic development, and increase the sustainability and resiliency of the City of Dillingham and the entire region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Dillingham City Council hereby commits to provide \$500,000 in matching funds, when needed, to secure additional public or private investments that accomplish priorities and projects identified in the Dillingham Waterfront Strategic Plan.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Dillingham City Council on April 7, 2022.

Alice Ruby, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Lori Goodell, City Clerk