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File No.: 3350-1 Dillingham

Patty Buholm
Planning Director
City of Dillingham
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Dillingham, AK 99576

Re: City of Dillingham CLG Review 2023

Dear Ms. Buholm:

Maria Lewis enjoyed meeting with you and Kelsa Brandenburg virtually on January 14, 2023, to review and discuss Certified Local Government (CLG) activities over the past five years. It was an excellent opportunity to discuss current historic preservation issues specific to the City of Dillingham while discussing potential CLG opportunities. Enclosed you will find a copy of the CLG Performance Standards Checklist that was completed during the meeting.

The following four goals were discussed and outlined for the program over the course of the next two years.

- Discuss the CLG program with the City Manager to determine next steps and follow-up with SHPO.
- Obtain copies of the 1990s surveys and CLG certification paperwork from SHPO.
- Work to educate city staff on the Certified Local Government program and share the benefits of the program.
- Learn more about the CLG grant programs and look into getting a CLG or development grant during the next round to work on the Carlson House.

It is wonderful to know that the City of Dillingham has a Planning Director who is interested in more actively working with the program. We are hopeful that, under your guidance, a Planning Commission can be reestablished to meet the City's obligations under the State CLG Guidelines and their ordinance. Our office is always available to assist you in your efforts.

Thank you for all the hard work and dedication you bring to ensure that Dillingham's history is shared with others and preserved for the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Judith E. Bittner".

Judith E. Bittner
State Historic Preservation Officer

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