

CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF CITY CLERK AND ACTING CITY MANAGER LORI GOODELL AND ACCEPTING KIM JOHNSON'S RESIGNATION FROM CITY COUNCIL AND APPOINTING KIM JOHNSON AS ACTING CITY MANAGER

WHEREAS, Robert Mawson was appointed City Manager of Dillingham March 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mawson has been on medical leave since March 6 of 2023, which expires on July 10, 2023. Recent email correspondence of May 16 and May 19, and May 26, 2023, to ascertain his intentions to return have indicated an unlikelihood that he will return and many efforts to communicate with him regarding his intentions have gone unanswered; and

WHEREAS, since February 16, 2023, Lori Goodell, City Clerk, has been Acting City Manager; and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2023, Ms. Goodell submitted her resignation from City employment, effective July 9; and

WHEREAS, Dillingham Municipal Code (DMC) Section 2.21.080 provides that a council member may serve as acting manager but must first resign from Council; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson tendered her resignation from City Council, by email to Mayor Ruby on June 23, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City will undertake to hire a permanent or interim city manager as soon as reasonably practicable, but requires an acting manager until such person can be hired; and

WHEREAS, it is the best interests of the City to maintain continuity by having the manager position promptly filled upon Ms. Goodell's resignation becoming effective; and

WHEREAS, Kim Johnson was elected on October 4, 2022 to a three year term, which expires October 2025; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson has expressed willingness to accept the acting manager position; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson's experience qualifies her to fill the acting manager position; the appointment is for a period not to exceed six months, or until such time as a manager is hired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Dillingham City Council accepts the resignation of Ms. Goodell, effective July 9, 2023.

2. That the City Council accepts the resignation of Council Member Kim Johnson, effective immediately and declares Council Seat A vacant.

3. That the City Council appoints Kim Johnson to the position of Acting City Manager, pursuant to DMC 2.21.080, subject to the conditions of the attached Employment Contract, as it may be amended subject to Council direction to administration or the City Attorney. The appointment shall be effective July 10, 2023.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Dillingham City Council on June 29, 2023.

Alice Ruby, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lori Goodell, City Clerk