CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA RESOLUTION CY22-07

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS APPROVING AMENDMENT 1 OF THE COOPERATIVE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (CRMA) WITH THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE GUSTAVUS BEACH PARK

WHEREAS, the Gustavus Beach is a remarkable natural and recreational resource for the Community of Gustavus; and,

WHEREAS, after a multi-year process of work by many community members toward establishment of a Gustavus Beach Park on Tracts A and B2 on west and east sides of Dock Road owned by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Gustavus and DNR in Spring, 2020 signed a Cooperative Resource Management Agreement (CRMA) including a development plan, establishing the park to be managed by the City of Gustavus; and,

WHEREAS, the CRMA provides for amendment of the agreement and development plan when agreed by both parties: and,

WHEREAS, while the CRMA was being implemented in 2020, city representatives noted inconsistencies in the CRMA's legal property descriptions and the lack of treatment for newly accreted lands; and,

WHEREAS, the original CRMA and development plan did not clearly authorize the City of Gustavus to apply its code of ordinances to manage the park and set rules for public use; and

WHEREAS, the original development plan did not close the beach strand to motor vehicle use as wished by many residents and beach protection advocates; and

WHEREAS, the original park map in the development plan did not show some key features under consideration; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council in 2020 assigned two council members and the City Administrator to negotiate with DNR an update to the CRMA and development plan to strengthen management intent and direction by addressing the identified issues; and

WHEREAS, City representatives have worked with DNR over the last two years to develop an amendment addressing the needed improvements to the CRMA and development plan; and,

WHEREAS, those negotiated and agreed changes have been incorporated into an Amendment 1 of the plan; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Amendment 1 has been developed in concert with the adjacent property owners who hold covenants on the two beach tracts and who share the City's interest in protection of the natural character of the beach lands while providing for low impact recreational use; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Amendment 1 to the CRMA and development plan were published for public review and comment on March 15, 2022, with public hearing scheduled for April 11, 2022.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Gustavus City Council approves Amendment 1 of the Gustavus Beach Park Cooperative Management Agreement, with the updated development plan, and recommends approval by DNR.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gustavus City Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the approved Amendment 1 on behalf of the City of Gustavus and to implement the development plan in accordance with the terms of the CRMA.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Gusta effective upon adoption.	vus City Council this XX th day of	2022 and
Mike Taylor, Mayor	-	
Attest: Karen Platt CMC, City Clerk	-	