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To Whom It May Concern,

The community of Gustavus, represented by the Gustavus City Council, is applying for planning funds to evaluate additional alternatives to address septage concerns in the community.

The community is seeking additional funding to update the 2026 Gustavus Septage Management Improvements preliminary engineering report (PER). The community would like additional alternatives investigated that might include the use of a pumper trailer as well as updates to the "no action" alternative that would show the costs and logistics of disposing of the septage at a facility designed to handle or destroy PFAS. Towards the 95% portion of the PER the situation of disposal in Gustavus changed to the point of having no options and some of this was not reflected in the Executive Summary of the final PER. Additional remedies have come to light and we need to investigate those options.

The total amount of planning project funding being requested is \$25,000.

Enclosed with this letter is a completed planning application for this project.

Sincerely,

Kathy Leary
City Administrator
City of Gustavus