

Presented by: The Manager
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Drafted by: S. Layne

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 3056

**A Resolution Authorizing the Manager to Apply For, and Enter Into, a
Loan Agreement of up to \$500,000 with the Alaska Department of
Environmental Conservation, Alaska Drinking Water Fund State
Revolving Loan Fund, for the Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI).**

WHEREAS, the adoption of Resolution No. 3056 would authorize the City Manager to submit a loan application and enter into a loan agreement with the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) to provide funding for completion of the following project:

Alaska Drinking Water Fund (ADWF):
Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI)
Funding amount: \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency's Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) and subsequent guidance requires all community public water systems (PWS) to compile an inventory, to identify the materials used for each water service line connected to the PWS distribution system, in order to protect public health by minimizing levels of lead and copper in drinking water; and

WHEREAS, to meet this requirement, the CBJ Utilities Division will assemble existing information regarding the water system LSLI, determine data gaps and deficiencies, and coordinate with the public and relevant agencies to update the data; and

WHEREAS, the CBJ Utilities Division currently has a contractor working on phase one of the LSLI, which is a desktop exercise to filter and exclude contemporary construction from the survey phase. Phase two of the LSLI, which consists of owner-facilitated self-inspections, is scheduled to start in March 2024, and a draft inventory is due by July 24, 2024; and

WHEREAS, CBJ appropriated \$250,000 for the project in 2023, however, given the technical, administrative, and financial cost of the complex and expansive scope, additional funding is required to complete the project by the required deadline; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau, seeks to obtain the necessary financial assistance for the project; and

WHEREAS, ADEC is offering a Lead Service Line Loan program with 58.3% in loan forgiveness through the State Revolving Fund ("SRF"); and

WHEREAS, the project is currently included on an Alaska Drinking Water Fund project priority list for the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the loan of up to \$500,000 would be repaid over no more than a 5-year term, with a finance rate calculated pursuant to State of Alaska 18 AAC 76.225; and

WHEREAS, in order for the CBJ Utilities Division to apply for the SRF loan, the Assembly must pass a resolution to (1) authorize the SRF loan application process, and (2) authorize a designated representative of the local government to execute the loan agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Facilities Committee, at its regular meeting on February 26, 2024, recommended adoption of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, upon receiving the loan agreement document, Assembly authorization will be required by ordinance to borrow the money.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. That the Manager is authorized to submit a loan application to the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Alaska Drinking Water Fund loan program, and execute the loan agreement with the State of Alaska for a loan for the following project, not to exceed \$500,000:

Alaska Drinking Water Fund (ADWF):
Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI)
Funding amount: \$500,000

Section 2. The Manager is authorized to carry out the City and Borough's responsibilities under the loan agreement. The Manager is authorized to delegate responsibility to appropriate CBJ staff to carry out technical, financial, and administrative activities associated with the loan agreement.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this _____ day of _____ 2024.

Beth A. Weldon, Mayor

Attest:

Elizabeth J. McEwen, Municipal Clerk