

CITY OF KOTZEBUE RESOLUTION NO. 24-42

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE SUPPORTING THE NATIVE VILLAGE OF KOTZEBUE'S ("NVOK") REQUEST TO REPURPOSE NANA VEI FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW NIKAITCHUAT ILISAGVIAT SCHOOL ON THAT LAND.

- WHEREAS, in Joint Resolution No. 23-45, dated October 11, 2023, the City of Kotzebue supported the NVOK request to use a portion of the NVOK's \$971,855.50 in NANA VEI grant funds for, *inter alia*, the purchase of the Church of God building in Kotzebue;
- WHEREAS, the NVOK no longer wishes to purchase the Church of God building in Kotzebue for \$896,855.50 but instead wishes to purchase some City-owned land and construct a Nikaitchuat Ilisagviat on that land using NANA VEI grant funds;
- WHEREAS, \$75,000 of the original NVOK NANA VEI grant funding of \$971,855 has been properly allocated by NVOK for technology upgrades which leaves remaining NANA VEI grant funding in the amount of \$896,855.50 which NVOK wishes to return to the NANA VEI for reallocation via another VEI application for purchase of some City-owned land and to construct a Nikaitchuat Ilisagviat on that land;
- WHEREAS, the City of Kotzebue strongly supports the construction of a Nikaitchuat Ilisagviat using NANA VEI grant funds on the land to be purchased from the City of Kotzebue; and,
- whereas, this reallocation of NVOK's NANA VEI grand funds does not change the City of Kotzebue's NANA VEI grant funds previously allocated to the City of Kotzebue to update the City's landfill by opening a new cell to accommodate the needs of the community, closing an existing cell at the landfill, and purchasing gravel to meet federal and state requirements for proper cover of the bales placed in the landfill cells.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Kotzebue fully supports the reallocation of NVOK NANA VEI grant funds as set forth herein for the Nikaitchuat Ilisagviat.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of the City of Kotzebue, Alaska, this 20th day of June, 2024.

Saima Chase, Mayor	[CEAL]
ATTEST:	[SEAL]
Rosie Hensley, City Clerk	

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