

Presented By:
Planning Commission

Action Taken:
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CITY OF NOME

RESOLUTION NO. R-21-05-02

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF KAWERAK, INC'S EFFORT TO DEVELOP A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A REGIONAL RECYCLING CENTER THAT WOULD SERVE THE RESIDENTS AND VISITORS OF THE BERING STRAIT REGION.

WHEREAS, the Nome Common Council recognizes the importance of well-managed, orderly business and residential zones with a fitting solid waste management system in place; and

WHEREAS, the Nome Common Council acknowledges the value of healthy subsistence activity opportunities and the importance of keeping the surrounding land and waterways clean and uncontaminated; and

WHEREAS, the Nome Common Council understands that in response to COVID-19, stay and work-from-home recommendations and social distancing practices, the residents of Nome have participated in more online shopping which has contributed to a greater amount of cardboard packaging and single-use plastics; and

WHEREAS, Kawerak Inc. has received a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency to study the feasibility of developing a regional recycling center that could potentially accept recyclable waste such as single-use plastics, plastic bags, cardboard, aluminum, tin, glass, food wastes, electronic wastes, lead-acid and household batteries, mercury bulbs, and more; and

WHEREAS, the feasibility study will take an in-depth look at whether or not the residents of the region want to recycle, what products they are willing to recycle, whether or not they want to pay for a curbside collection service, and what type of facility would best suit our needs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Nome Common Council supports studying the feasibility of a recycling center that would benefit and reflect the desires of the residents and businesses of the Bering Strait Region.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 10th day of May, 2021.

JOHN K. HANDELAND, Mayor

ATTEST:

BRYANT HAMMOND, Clerk