

Presented By:  
Port Director

Action Taken:  
Yes \_\_\_  
No \_\_\_  
Abstain \_\_\_

**CITY OF NOME, ALASKA**

**RESOLUTION NO. R-21-06-02**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PND ENGINEERS, INC., TO ATTEND A DESIGN CHARRETTE HOSTED BY THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS' ALASKA DISTRICT (USACE) TO FACILITATE EFFECTIVE COORDINATION IN THE DESIGN OF THE LOCAL SERVICE FACILITIES WITHIN THE PORT OF NOME MODIFICATIONS PROJECT AND ARCTIC PORT EXPANSION**

**WHEREAS**, the USACE has identified Nome as the best location to serve as the Arctic port site to facilitate resource development, search and rescue response, protection of the marine environment, and to provide a practical Arctic location for strategic defense of the country; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Nome's role as the only publicly-owned coastal maritime infrastructure north of the Aleutians for the refueling and resupply of Arctic vessels has grown exponentially since 2012, as demonstrated in the port's vessel traffic statistics; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Port serves as the regional maritime hub facility for over fifty (50) northwestern Alaska villages from the Yukon River to the Arctic Ocean, transshipping fuel, cargo, equipment, and gravel throughout the region during the ice-free season; and,

**WHEREAS**, the USACE recently completed the Nome Modifications Feasibility Study, which resulted in a Signed Chief's Report submitted to the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress as part of the WRDA 2020 legislation, and authorized through the FY2021 Omnibus Consolidations Appropriations Act; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City has executed an Agreement with the USACE Alaska District to cost-share on the design of the General Navigation Features (GNF) of the project, with the Local Service Facilities (LSF) to be designed by the non-federal sponsor; and,

**WHEREAS**, on April 30, 2021, the City solicited for qualified firms to propose on design Services for the LSF's, with 3 proposals received by the deadline, evaluated by a 6-person team, and PND, Inc. receiving the highest score, and a recommendation for award of the design contract; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Nome Common Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to enter into a short-term design agreement with PND, Inc. to attend the USACE Nome Port Modifications Project Charrette, for a fee of \$6,660, at a date (TBD) by the USACE.

**APPROVED** and **SIGNED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.

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**JOHN K. HANDELAND,**  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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**BRYANT HAMMOND,**  
City Clerk