

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH

BOROUGH RESOLUTION NO. 3090

CITY OF KETCHIKAN RESOLUTION NO. 24-2940

CITY OF SAXMAN RESOLUTION NO. 09.2024.09

A Joint Resolution of the Assembly of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Council of the City of Ketchikan, and Council of the City of Saxman, Approving the Community's Fiscal Year 2026 Top 3 Priority Capital Project Requests for State Funding and Policy Issues for Submission to the Governor and Legislature.

RECITALS

- A. WHEREAS**, the Ketchikan Gateway Borough, the City of Ketchikan, and the City of Saxman have identified several projects of a critical nature that have no immediate funding sources; and
- B. WHEREAS**, each of the projects included on the prioritized list meets at least one of the following criteria:
1. Projects that have already been started and need to be completed;
 2. Projects that create jobs;
 3. Life, safety and health improvement projects; and
- C. WHEREAS**, each year Community officials advocate for State funding for projects that benefit the residents of the Community; and
- D. WHEREAS**, at the request of the Alaska Legislature, the identified projects are submitted into the Legislature's Capital Project Submission & Information System (CAPSIS); and
- E. WHEREAS**, the Borough, City of Ketchikan, and City of Saxman are also responsible for providing necessary services to their citizens; and
- F. WHEREAS**, certain actions of the State of Alaska are needed to implement policies which directly affect the municipalities' ability to carry out those necessary services to their citizens; and
- G. WHEREAS** the Borough Assembly, City of Ketchikan Council, and City of Saxman Council find it is in the best interest of their citizens to urge Governor Dunleavy and the members of the Alaska State Legislature to take legislative and/or administrative actions on the policy issues addressed in this resolution; and
- H. WHEREAS**, the Borough Assembly, City of Ketchikan Council, and City of Saxman

Council wish to submit this list of prioritized capital projects funding requests to Governor Dunleavy and the Alaska State Legislature for consideration of funding in Fiscal Year 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE ABOVE FACTS, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH as follows:

Section 1. The Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly, the City of Ketchikan Council, and City of Saxman Council, hereby identify and prioritize Fiscal Year 2026 capital project requests for State funding as follows:

City of Ketchikan: Wastewater Treatment Permit	
Compliance Upgrades	\$20,000,000
City of Saxman: Waterline Replacement	\$10,000,000
Ketchikan Gateway Borough: Ketchikan International Airport	
New Small Passenger Vessel	\$27,000,000

Section 2. The Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly, City of Ketchikan Council, and City of Saxman Council embrace legislative and/or administrative actions to accomplish the following policies:

Urging Continuance of the Commercial Passenger Vessel Tax Program and Continuance of the Current Arrangement for Sharing of the Excise Tax

Urging Continuance of Funding for the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS)

Urging the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to Implement Pedestrian Safety Improvements Along Tongass Avenue

Opposing Actions by the State to Shift Costs of its Constitutional Obligation to Maintain a System of Public Schools Open to All Children of the State

Urging Appropriate State funding for Behavioral Health Services

Urging the State to transfer into Borough ownership certain parcels of land owned by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources per ADLs 109314 and 234300, and to transfer into private ownership any other parcels of land owned by various State agencies that are suitable for development of housing.

Urging Fiscal Impact Analyses of All Proposed Legislation to Assess Potential Costs to Local Governments to Avoid Unfunded Mandates

Section 3. The respective Governing Bodies hereby authorize the Managers and Administrators to submit the capital project priorities as appropriation requests and the

policy issues as requests for administrative and/or legislative actions to the Governor of the State of Alaska and to the Alaska State Legislature

Section 4. The respective Governing Bodies hereby authorize the Managers and Administrators to submit the full list of municipal, school and infrastructure projects into the Legislature’s electronic capital project database (CAPSIS).

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption by the Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly, Ketchikan City Council, and Saxman City Council.

ADOPTED by the Borough Assembly the ___ day of ____, 2024.

ADOPTED by the Ketchikan City Council the ___ day of ____, 2024.

ADOPTED by the Saxman City Council the ___ day of ____, 2024.

Ketchikan Gateway Borough Signatures:

Rodney Dial, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

Kacie Paxton, Borough Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Glenn Brown, Borough Attorney

City of Saxman Signatures:

Frank Seludo, City Mayor

ATTEST:

Marissa Medford, City Administrator

City of Ketchikan Signatures:

Dave Kiffer, City Mayor

ATTEST:

Kim Stanker, City Clerk