

**CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA
RESOLUTION 2025-035**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA,
AUTHORIZING DEMOLITION AND DISPOSAL OF THE EAST FINGER PIER AT THE
CITY DOCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,300 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Whittier City Dock has served as a boatlift and crane dock but has become structurally deficient due to age and deferred maintenance; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the City Council approved an engineering assessment by CRW Engineering Group, which determined the dock’s load rating had been reduced to ten long tons (20,000 pounds) and that significant repairs would be required to safely continue travel lift operations; and

WHEREAS, following the report, the City Council discontinued use of the City Dock for travel lift operations, decommissioned the equipment, and sold the City’s 30-ton travel lift at auction; and

WHEREAS, the small finger pier east of the main dock was originally constructed to support the opposing side of the travel lift and is no longer needed for harbor operations; and

WHEREAS, the Phase III Harbor Rebuild project requires removal of obsolete wood piles and installation of new steel piles near Whiskey and X-Ray floats; and

WHEREAS, Harris Sand & Gravel, the contractor currently mobilized for Phase III, has indicated that the existing finger pier restricts safe barge access to the fairway between Whiskey and X-Ray floats, and has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$36,300.00 for demolition and disposal of the pier; and

WHEREAS, removing the finger pier will (1) eliminate obsolete infrastructure, (2) provide unobstructed access for ongoing construction, (3) create additional vessel moorage potential along the east side of the City Dock, and (4) capitalize on cost savings by using equipment and personnel already mobilized under the Phase III project; and

WHEREAS, all required permits for pile removal are already in place and funding is available within the Harbor Reserve Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a change order with Harris Sand & Gravel, as described more fully above, and to execute each document necessary to consummate the demolition and disposal of the East Finger Pier at the City Dock.

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48 **Section 2.** The City Council hereby finds that the public interest is best served by
49 authorizing this change order with Harris Sand & Gravel, as the firm is currently performing work
50 under Phase III of the Whittier Harbor Rebuild and is best positioned to perform the additional
51 work efficiently and cost-effectively using existing mobilized equipment and personnel.
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53 **Section 3.** Funding in the amount of \$36,300.00 is hereby appropriated from the Harbor
54 MRRF Reserves Account 73-000-3000 to the Harbor Renovations Account 73-800-9205.
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56 **Section 4.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.
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59 **PASSED AND APPROVED** by a duly constituted quorum of the Whittier City Council
60 on this _____ day of _____, 2025.
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[NAME]
Mayor

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67 AYES:
68 NOES:
69 ABSENT:
70 ABSTAIN:
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73 **ATTEST:**
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77 **Shelby Carlson**
78 City Clerk

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