

RESOLUTION #638

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FUNDING OF A FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS OF THE CITY OF BETHEL ACQUIRING BETHEL UTILITIES CORPORATION AND THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A REGIONAL UTILITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Bethel is interested in exploring the financial and economical feasibility of purchasing Bethel Utilities Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Bethel Utilities currently provides power to Bethel, Napakiak, and Oscarville; and

WHEREAS, FY '91 capital projects funding is being requested to fund the planning, design, and construction of electrical interties between Bethel, Nunapitchuk, Kasigluk, Atmauthluak, and Napaskiak; and

WHEREAS, prior to purchasing Bethel Utilities Corporation, the City of Bethel desires a feasibility analysis of the City of Bethel acquiring Bethel Utilities Corporation and the possibility of establishing a regional electrical utility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethel does not currently have funds available for such a purpose; and

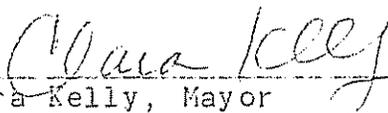
WHEREAS, the City Council believes that such a study is critical to the long-term goals of providing electricity to Bethel and neighboring villages at an affordable cost; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the Alaska Energy Authority has recommended that the Governor request that such a study be funded in his FY '90 Budget request to the Alaska State Legislature;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Bethel City Council supports legislative funding of a feasibility analysis of the City of Bethel acquiring Bethel Utilities Corporation and the possibility of establishing a regional utility; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Bethel City Council further requests Governor Cowper to seek funding for such a study in his FY '90 Budget Request to the Alaska State Legislature.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26 DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1989.


Clara Kelly, Mayor

Attest:


Karole A. Kohl, Acting City Clerk