

Introduced by: City Manager Herron

Date: December 10, 2002

Action: NOT INTRODUCED

Vote:

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #02-33

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE BANK STABILIZATION AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE SAME AMENDMENT NO. 1

WHEREAS as explained in further detail in Resolution 02-20, the City operates a port along the shoreline of the Kuskokwim River that is a vital economic link for Bethel and the entire region and the Kuskokwim is prone to river bank erosion and river channel scouring; and

WHEREAS as also explained in greater detail in Resolution 02-20, changes in river currents significantly contributed to these problems in 1998, resulting in temporary repairs and a Corps study proposing a permanent solution which has now been accepted by the City and the Corps; and

WHEREAS the City has been a party to the Project Cooperation Agreement Between the Department of the Army ("Corps") and the City of Bethel for Construction of the Bethel Bank Stabilization Project ("Bank Stabilization Agreement") since 1994; and

WHEREAS the City and the Corps desire to amend the Bank Stabilization Agreement to provide for additional bank stabilization efforts upstream of the City dock from Brown's Slough to the entrance to the small boat harbor; and

WHEREAS Congress plans to appropriate funds for the additional work early in 2003, and under the terms of the proposed amendment to the Bank Stabilization Agreement, the City would be required to provide up to 25% local match for such funds in the form of cash and/or acquisition of property rights; and

WHEREAS it is currently estimated that the City will need to provide approximately \$770,000 in cash as a part of its 25% local match; and

WHEREAS the City Council previously passed Resolution #02-20 which authorized the City to enter into an earlier version of Amendment No. 1 but the final version presented to the City by the Corps includes different language in it than the version attached to Resolution #02-20, and therefore the City requires authority to enter into the current version of Amendment No. 1.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska that Amendment No. 1 to the Project Cooperation Agreement Between the Department of the Army and the City of Bethel for Construction of the Bethel Bank Stabilization Project which is attached to this Resolution as Attachment A is hereby approved and the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into it.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2002, by a vote of * in favor and * opposed.

ATTEST:

Hugh Short Jr., Mayor

Janette Persinger, City Clerk