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CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

Resolution # 08-22

CITY CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH ARCHITECTS ALASKA FOR A MULTI-USE RECREATION CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY AND RELATED PRE-DESIGN WORK AS A PRECURSOR TO SUCCESSIVE DESIGN PHASES

Whereas, the City of Bethel Approved Resolution #05-38, *A Resolution Supporting Development of a Multiuse Recreation Facility in Bethel* on October 25, 2005 that supports a multi-use recreation facility in Bethel and recommends a multi-organizational approach to its design, construction, and operation;

WHEREAS, the City of Bethel Multi-Use Recreation Facility Plan is a plan completed on November 15, 2005 that incorporates board community input, including the use of surveys, stakeholder interviews, and input from two community meetings;

WHEREAS, the results of the October 2, 2007 Regular City Election show that 341 people voted in favor of Proposition #1 to increase the sales taxes in Bethel for a period of 20 years;

WHEREAS, the full amount of the sales tax increase approved by voters has been allocated to a capital projects fund within the City for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of a multi-use recreation center;

WHEREAS, the Recreation Center Committee is an administrative committee composed of individuals from key organizations established on October 30, 2007 for the purpose of making recommendations to the City Manager regarding development of a multi-use recreation center;

WHEREAS, the City of Bethel issued a Request for Qualifications on June 23, 2008 seeking Statements of Qualifications from architectural firms interested in designing the Bethel Recreation Center;

WHEREAS, the Request for Qualifications stated, "The City intends to contract with a firm for the development of a recreation center feasibility study, and when warranted, the development of architectural and engineering plans for the construction of such a facility;"

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WHEREAS, the feasibility study represents a significant step in the design process and would be followed by the following architectural firm deliverables: 35% schematic design, 65% design development, and 90% and 100% construction-ready documents;

WHEREAS, the City of Bethel received Statements of Qualifications from two firms by the July 23, 2008 deadline: First Rim People and Architects Alaska;

WHEREAS, the Recreation Center Committee scored the Statements of Qualifications submitted on their experience, qualifications, and personnel and selected Architects Alaska as the preferred choice for Bethel's project;

WHEREAS, a formal Recommendation was issued by the Recreation Center Committee August 1, 2008 to the City Manager that the City begin contract negotiations with Architects Alaska to design a multi-use recreation center in Bethel;

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Committee held a special meeting on September 2, 2008, considered this resolution, and recommended that City Council approve it;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bethel City Council agrees that the City of Bethel should negotiate a contract with Architects Alaska to complete a feasibility study and related pre-design work for a multi-use recreation center in Bethel, Alaska, and that the contract contain the succeeding design steps to be approved by City Council prior to each one's initiation: 35% schematic design, 65% design development, and 90% and 100% construction-ready documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when both parties to the contract agree with its terms, the contract should be brought before City Council for final approval and validation signatures.

ENACTED THIS 9th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008 BY A VOTE OF 5 IN FAVOR AND 2 OPPOSED.

Eric Middlebrook, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk