

RESOLUTION #633

A RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ALASKA STATE BUILDING AUTHORITY APPLYING FOR RENOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE BETHEL HEIGHTS LOW-INCOME HOUSING PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Bethel Heights low-income housing project was constructed in 1969; and

WHEREAS, extreme environmental conditions have caused serious structural deterioration; and

WHEREAS, the present condition of the buildings represent a life/safety hazard which exposes the residents to unnecessary risk; and

WHEREAS, a housing shortage for low-income families within this community leaves few or no alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Housing Authority has applied to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for \$13,089,706 in Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program (C.I.A.P.) funds to correct the structural deficiencies in these residential units; and

WHEREAS, \$670,625 is also requested under the Development program to construct five (5) additional homes for larger families and a community building.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bethel City Council supports the efforts of the Alaska State Building Authority to upgrade the housing stock of our community and urges the Department of Housing and Urban Development to fully fund this vital project.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 11 DAY OF April, 1989.



Clara Kelly, Mayor

ATTEST:



Anna McGowan, City Clerk

FACT SHEET
BETHEL HEIGHTS

Constructed: 1969
200 homes constructed under the Turnkey III Program

1979
117 homes were converted to low-income rentals of the remaining 185 homes. Sixty-four remained on the Turnkey III (Homebuyers) Program. Fourteen of the homes remain today with the balance, 54, having been sold and conveyed to Home Owners.

The Alaska State Building Authority proposes to build five larger; 4-4 bedroom and 1-5 bedroom family homes, on lots vacated due to fire. On the remaining lot the Authority proposes to build a community building for community services.

Of the 117 low-income rental homes, 27 of them will be enlarged to accommodate families requiring three bedrooms.

Funding requested:

CIAP-	\$11,620,520	Low-rent
	\$ 1,469,186	Turnkey III
Dev.-	\$ 670,625	Construct 5 new homes and a community building



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April 3, 1989

The Honorable Clara Kelly
Mayor of the City of Bethel
P.O. Box 388
Bethel, Alaska 99559

Dear Mayor Kelly,

The Alaska State Building Authority is seeking funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to modernize the Bethel Heights low-income housing projects through the Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program (C.I.A.P.). and concurrently an application is being submitted for Development funds to build five new homes allowing for larger families and a community building. These new homes and buildings will be built on lots already owned by the Authority.

This is in keeping with the Authority's policy of providing decent, safe and sanitary housing for people of low-incomes in Alaska. Recently the Authority has taken a close look at our properties state-wide and determined that several properties require this action in order to meet this policy. There has long been demonstrated a need for homes for larger families at this project.

The Authority is hereby requesting your support and the support of the City of Bethel Council in this endeavor.

Should you or your staff require further information on this matter, do not hesitate to contact Gary T. Teenor of this office at 562-2813.

Thanking you in advance for your support on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Alaska State Building Authority


Ray Price,
Executive Director