Introduced by: City Manager Capela
Date: May 10, 2016
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Vote: 7-0

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

Resolution #16-18

A RESOLUTION BY THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING YUUT ELITNAURVIAT'S PROPOSED BUILDING ADDITION TO ACCOMMODATE KUSKOKWIM LEARNING ACADEMY

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2002, the City of Bethel passed Resolution 02-07 supporting Yuut Elitnaurviat and supporting the donation of 10 acres of City land to Yuut Elitnaurviat for use to build its center;

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2003, the City of Bethel passed ordinance number 02-33 authorizing the disposal of 10.3 acres of land to Yuut Elitnaurviat for use to construct and operate a center;

WHEREAS, as a result of the February 25, 2003, the City issued a Quitclaim Deed Subject to Conditions to Yuut Elitnaurviat on February 26, 2003;

WHEREAS, the only condition imposed in the quitclaim deed was the condition the land be used for educational and vocational learning purposes only; otherwise the land was to revert back to the City of Bethel;

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2015, the Lower Kuskokwim School District suffered a catastrophic fire, displacing students from the Kuskokwim Learning Academy (KLA) and the Ayaprun Elitnaurviat elementary school;

WHEREAS, Yuut Elitnaurviat has applied to the U.S. Department of Commerce (EDA) for approval to expand one of its buildings in order to accommodate KLA;

WHEREAS, the EDA is requesting documentation from the City that (1) the proposed use is consistent with the covenant contained in the quitclaim deed and (2) that the City supports Yuut Elitnaurviat's proposal to expand the TESS building to provide sufficient room for KLA;

WHEREAS, because KLA is a part of the Lower Kuskokwim School District and provides education, its location at Yuut Elitnaurviat is consistent with the terms of the 2003 quitclaim deed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethel supports Yuut Elitnaurviat's proposal to expand its current facilities in order to provide adequate space to house and support KLA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Bethel finds the proposed use is consistent with the terms of the 2003 quitclaim deed.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Bethel supports the expansion of Yuut Elitnaurviat's current facilities to provide additional space to house the Kuskokwim Learning Academy.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10 DAY OF MAY 2016, BY A 7 VOTE IN FAVOR AND A 0 VOTE IN OPPOSITION.

Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk