City of Palmer Resolution No. 23-023

Subject: Authorize the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate a State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Division of Community and Regional Affairs Grant in the Amount of \$5,000,000 for the Palmer Public Library Reconstruction

Agenda of: Jul	y 25, 2023			
Council Action:	☑ Approved□ Defeated	□ Ame	nded:	
		Originato	r Information:	
Originator:	John Moosey, City	Manager		
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City Manager City Attorney City Clerk	Signature			Remarks:

Attachment(s):

- 1. Resolution No. 23-023
- 2. Grant Award Letter

Summary Statement/Background:

As part of the 2024 State of Alaska fiscal year budget, the Alaska Legislator included in the budget a grant, championed by Palmer House Representative Delena Johnson to the City of Palmer in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 for the Palmer Public Library reconstruction.

This resolution is authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate these grant funds for the Palmer Public Library reconstruction project from the State of Alaska, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Division of Community and Regional Affairs.

On February 15, 2023, the Palmer Public Library suffered a catastrophic collapse of the south facing roof over the childrens' section of the Palmer Public Library. Palmer City Council approved Resolution 23-019 on June 27, 2023, awarding architectural services for the Palmer Public Library to Wolf Architecture to evaluate alternatives to repair, renovate and expand or replace the damaged library.

The Palmer Public Library is currently being operated out of a temporary location at 137 E. Arctic Avenue.

Administration's Recommendation:

Approve Resolution No. 23-023.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Introduced by: Manager Moosey

Date: July 25, 2023

Action: Ap

Approved Unanimous

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CITY OF PALMER, ALASKA

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A Resolution of the Palmer City Council Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate a State of Alaska Department of Community, and Economic Development Division of Community and Regional Affairs Grant in the Amount of \$5,000,000 for the Palmer Public Library Reconstruction

WHEREAS, the City of Palmer, Alaska (the "City") is a home rule city and under Section 11 of Article X of the Alaska Constitution may exercise all legislative power not prohibited by law or the charter; and

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2023, the Palmer Public Library suffered a catastrophic collapse of the roof from snow load; and

WHEREAS, the Palmer Public Library is a vital community asset, brings people together, strengthens community identity by attracting residents for diverse purposes, and provides a safe and trusted destination for all generations. The library is a welcoming place that fosters personal connections by providing the space for collaboration and creation; and

WHEREAS, Palmer Representative Johnson was instrumental in getting \$5,000,000 appropriated in the State of Alaska's 2024 fiscal year budget for the City of Palmer Public Library Reconstruction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Palmer City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate a State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Division of Community and Regional Affairs grant in the amount of \$5,000,000 for the Palmer Public Library Reconstruction.

Approved by the Palmer City Council this 25TH day of July, 2023.

Shelly M. Acteson, CMC, City Clerk

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