RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2878

A Resolution in Support of the City and Borough of Juneau’s Application to Acquire Tide and Submerged Land from the State of Alaska between the Franklin Dock and the AJ Dock.

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) constructed the Seawalk as a public walkway intended to provide a continuous pedestrian path along the downtown waterfront area; and

WHEREAS, the Seawalk currently extends from Marine Park to the Franklin Dock on South Franklin Street; and

WHEREAS, the CBJ desires to potentially extend the Seawalk from the Franklin Dock to the AJ Dock located on Jacobsen Drive; and

WHEREAS, in order to extend the Seawalk, the CBJ will need to acquire an interest in certain lands and tidelands, which includes unsurveyed tide and submerged lands currently owned by the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the requested land is within and contiguous to the boundaries of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the use of the land would not unreasonably interfere with navigation or public access; and

WHEREAS, under AS 38.05.825 the municipality of the City and Borough of Juneau has applied to the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources for conveyance of tidelands adjacent to ADL 108124 and ADL 106678, both of which are owned by the CBJ; and

WHEREAS, the land is not subject to a shore fisheries lease under AS 38.05.082; and

WHEREAS, the land is classified for waterfront development consistent or compatible with a land use plan adopted by CBJ; and
WHEREAS, the land is required for the accomplishment of a public or private development previously approved by CBJ in the Long Range Waterfront Plan, namely extending the Seawalk; and

WHEREAS, the area requested for conveyance is depicted on Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, acquiring these tide and submerged lands could also further support the CBJ's current lease to Franklin Docks Enterprises of the southerly fraction of Block 87, ATS 3; and

WHEREAS, if the CBJ's application is approved, the CBJ will conduct a survey of the area to provide legal boundaries.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. Request. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau requests that the State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources approve the CBJ's application to acquire the tidelands depicted in Exhibit A pursuant to AS 38.05.825.

Section 2. Acceptance. Upon conveyance by the State of Alaska, the Manager is authorized to accept any land identified in Exhibit A.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately after its adoption.

Adopted this 24th day of February, 2020.

Beth A. Weldon, Mayor

Attest:

Elizabeth J. McEwen, Municipal Clerk
EXHIBIT A - Resolution 2878