

Presented by: The Manager  
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## RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

### Serial No. 2225

#### **A Resolution Expressing Assembly Support for Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities' Proposed Improvements at the Tenth Street and Egan Drive Intersection and Associated Improvements on the Douglas Bridge and Douglas Highway/North Douglas Highway Intersection.**

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOTPF), proposes improvements at the Tenth Street and Egan Drive intersection, and associated improvements on the Douglas Bridge and Douglas Highway/North Douglas Highway intersection, and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2002, DOTPF requested local concurrence in accordance with AS 35.30.010(a)(1), and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2002, the Planning Commission approved the project, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission decision was appealed, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly assigned a Hearing Officer who conducted a hearing and produced a Recommended Final Decision that was accepted by the Assembly on June 9, 2003, remanding the matter back to the Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2003, the Planning Commission denied approval of the project on Remand by a 4-4 vote with one Planning Commissioner absent, and

WHEREAS, the issue which resulted in Planning Commission denial of the project included the standards identified in Chapter Five of the Non-Motorized Transportation Plan with regard to shared-use lane width and multi-use path width, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with AS 35.30.010(c) "If final disapproval by resolution of the governing body of the affected municipality or village is not received within 90 days from the date the project was submitted to the municipality or village, the department (DOTPF) may proceed with the project," and

WHEREAS, DOTPF has extended the 90-day time limit to June 30, 2003 to accommodate the appeal, and subsequently extended the 90-day time limit to August 31, 2003 to accommodate the Assembly Remand, and

WHEREAS, DOTPF has requested that the Assembly take positive action on the Tenth and Egan project before it will proceed, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly adopted the Area-Wide Transportation Plan (AWTP) as a general guide, which provides: "identify best form and design of intersection control to reduce congestion, maximize traffic flow and develop extra capacity for long-term growth. Options include additional travel lanes, signal control modifications or grade separation. Preserve and protect the safety and access of bicycle and pedestrian users through the project area," and

WHEREAS, the Assembly recognizes the limitations placed on DOTPF with respect to project funding and available bridge width, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly recognizes that, in accordance with the AWTP, DOTPF has made every reasonable effort to "preserve and protect the safety and access of bicycle and pedestrian users through the project area."

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

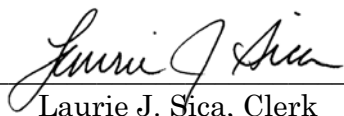
The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau supports efforts by DOTPF to improve the Tenth and Egan Intersection, Douglas Bridge, and Douglas Highway/North Douglas Highway Intersection.

**Section 1. Effective Date.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003.

  
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Sally Smith, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Laurie J. Sica, Clerk

Vote: Aye - Anderson; Johnson; Koelsch; Sanford; Wanamaker  
Nay - Powell; Ridgeway; Smith; Wheeler