

Presented by: The Manager
Presented: 07/10/2023
Drafted by: S. Layne

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 3031

A Resolution Supporting the Manager Entering into an Agreement with Juneau Off-Road Vehicle Association for the 35 Mile ORV Riding Park.

WHEREAS, the 2019 Parks and Recreation Master Plan, recognizes Off Road Vehicle (ORV) riding areas as a park system gap and that the City and Borough of Juneau (the “CBJ”) should work with and support the ORV community to identify a suitable site and facilitate development of viable opportunities for ORV recreation; and

WHEREAS, since the 1970s, many areas in Juneau that were once open to ORV riding now prohibit motorized use including Dredge Lakes, Airport area, Eagle River and Lemon Creek Industrial areas; and

WHEREAS, over the last twenty years, the CBJ has participated in three processes to evaluate, identify, and develop ORV riding parks, but has not successfully developed a riding park; and

WHEREAS, the Juneau Off-Road Vehicle Association (JORA), is a State of Alaska non-profit organization serving all off-road enthusiasts of Juneau and is dedicated to developing responsible new areas for individuals and families to recreate; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee received hundreds of public comments in the fall of 2020, supporting ORV riding in Juneau as part of the Montana Creek Road ski club request public outreach.

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

Section 1. That the Assembly supports the development of the 35 Mile site for a public riding park managed and maintained by the Parks and Recreation Department, as conditioned by required permits, and with assistance from JORA for specific maintenance and stewardship tasks as outlined in the management agreement.

Section 2. That the Assembly authorizes the Manager to enter into an agreement with JORA to partner with the City and Borough for stewardship and maintenance tasks for the 35 Mile ORV Riding Park.

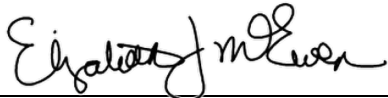
Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 10th day of July, 2023.



Beth A. Weldon, Mayor

Attest:



Elizabeth J. McEwen, Municipal Clerk