

Presented by: The Manager  
Introduced: 11/23/2009  
Drafted by: J.W. Hartle

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA**

**Serial No. 2510**

**A Resolution Authorizing the Docks & Harbors Board to Prepare and Proceed With a Request to the Alaska Legislature for Funding for Construction of Public Cruise Ship Dock Improvements (Alternative 16B) or Refurbishment of Those Cruise Ship Docks.**

WHEREAS, the City and Borough Docks & Harbors Board has carefully studied numerous concepts and alternatives for improvements to and reconfiguration of Juneau's publicly-owned cruise ship docks; and

WHEREAS, the Board has also studied the option of refurbishing those cruise ship docks; and

WHEREAS, the Board presented information and recommendations on these various alternatives and options to the Assembly Committee of the Whole at its meeting on October 26, 2009, including the Board's plan for financing the improvements; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on November 9, 2009, the Committee of the Whole again considered this subject, hearing a presentation from the private sector on other proposals for expansion of cruise ship berths, as well as an additional presentation from the Board on its financing plan for public cruise ship dock improvements; and

WHEREAS, under the Board's financing plan, a portion of the funding would be sought from the Alaska Legislature, to be appropriated by the Legislature from the state excise tax on travel aboard commercial passenger vessels (AS 43.52.200 – AS 43.52.295); and

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole directed the Manager to prepare a resolution authorizing the Board to prepare and proceed with a request to the Alaska Legislature for funding for the construction of public cruise ship dock improvements and reconfiguration as proposed in Alternative 16B, or refurbishment of those cruise ship docks; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the Committee of the Whole is that when the state funding is obtained, the Assembly will revisit the project and determine whether the City and Borough will proceed with Alternative 16B or a variation of that alternative, or whether it will proceed with refurbishment of those cruise ship docks, or some combination of these options; and

WHEREAS, this approach has the benefit of allowing the Docks & Harbors Board to proceed with its effort to obtain the state funding, while at the same time providing the Assembly with the flexibility needed to determine the precise scope of the public cruise ship dock improvement project at such time as state funding is known.

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

**Section 1. Authorization to Proceed.** The Docks & Harbors Board is authorized to prepare and proceed with a request to the Alaska Legislature for funding for the construction of the public cruise ship dock improvements and reconfiguration as proposed in Alternative 16B, or refurbishment of those cruise ship docks. The state funding sought will constitute part of the financing package for the cruise ship dock improvements project. To ensure the most effective and coordinated effort, all Board and staff contacts and interactions with members of the Legislature should be conducted through the City and Borough's legislative lobbyist.

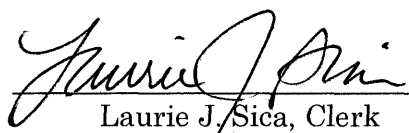
**Section 2. Further Assembly Action.** At such time as the state funding is obtained, the Assembly will determine the precise scope of the project, that is, whether the City and Borough will proceed with Alternative 16B or a variation of that alternative, or whether it will proceed with refurbishment of those cruise ship docks, or some combination of these options.

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

Adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2009.

  
Bruce Botelho, Mayor

Attest:

  
Laurie J. Sica, Clerk