Presented by: The Manager Introduced: 09/21/2015 Drafted by: A. G. Mead

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

## Serial No. 2730

A Resolution Expressing Assembly Support for the 2015 Juneau Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan, an Addendum to the Juneau 2014 Transit Development Plan, and Expressing Support for the Juneau Coordinated Transportation Coalition's Prioritization of Projects for Grant Funding by the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities.

WHEREAS, eligibility for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (authorized by the Moving Ahead for Progress 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act, 49 USC § 5310) requires each community to prepare a coordinated Public Transit and Human Services Transportation Plan, developed and approved through a process that allows for participation by target groups of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Juneau 2014 Transit Development Plan, adopted by Resolution 2685, was built on information and public input collected in 2013 via onboard and online surveys, public meetings, and interviews with stakeholders, and which included a comprehensive operations analysis of both fixed-route and para-transit services; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Juneau Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan, as an Addendum to the Juneau 2014 Transit Development Plan, meets the requirements to qualify for grants administered by the State Department of Transportation and Public Facilities by identifying current barriers to services faced by seniors, people with disabilities, and low income populations in Juneau and exploring potential strategies and future projects to address those barriers; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on August 24, 2015, the Assembly Committee of the Whole recommended that the Assembly endorse the 2015 Juneau Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan as an Addendum to the Juneau 2014 Transit Development Plan; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the plan is to identify available transportation services and to lay out strategies to address gaps in transportation services provided those who are elderly, have disabilities, or who qualify as low-income and use public transportation for traveling to and from work; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities makes available grant funding for mobility projects; and

WHEREAS, in order to be considered for grant funding, each community must prioritize the projects seeking funding and that priority list must be endorsed by the local government; and

WHEREAS, the Juneau Coordinated Transportation Coalition is a coalition of community partners working to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of transportation in Juneau; and

WHEREAS, one of the Coalition's main roles is to rank funding requests from member agencies proposing transportation and mobility projects and submit those recommendations to the Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the Juneau Coordinated Transportation Coalition and related agency representatives held a Community Transportation Needs Assessment meeting on September 8, 2015, and voted on the priority list for FY17 DOT&PF grant funding as follows:

- 1. Purchase of services funding for the taxi voucher program;
- 2. Capital funding for a replacement vehicle (REACH Day Habilitation Services Vehicle, Ford Eldorado cutaway van);
- 3. Capital funding request for a replacement ramp equipped taxi;
- 4. Purchase of services for operating the dialysis treatment transportation through Care-A-Van; and
- 5. Capital funding for an additional ramp-equipped taxi.

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

- **Section 1.** The Assembly supports and endorses the 2015 Juneau Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan, attached as Exhibit A, as an Addendum to the Juneau 2014 Transit Development Plan. The resulting amended 2014 Transportation Development Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan supersedes the 2008 coordinated plan adopted by Resolution 2451 and amended by Resolution 2511.
- **Section 2.** The Manager is authorized to submit copies of the 2015 Juneau Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan and Resolution 2730 to the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for its review and approval.
- **Section 3.** The City and Borough endorses the following prioritized list to be considered for Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities grant funding:
  - 1. Purchase of services funding for the taxi voucher program;
  - 2. Capital funding for a replacement vehicle (REACH Day Habilitation Services Vehicle, Ford Eldorado cutaway van);
  - 3. Capital funding request for a replacement ramp equipped taxi;
  - 4. Purchase of services for operating the dialysis treatment transportation through Care-A-Van; and
  - 5. Capital funding for an additional ramp-equipped taxi.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately after its adoption.

Adopted this 21st day of September, 2015.

Merrill Sanford, Mayor

Attest:

Laurie J. Sica, Municipal Clerk