Presented by: The Manager Presented: 01/10/2022 Drafted by: R. Palmer III

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

## Serial No. 2022-02

## An Ordinance Authorizing Docks and Harbors to Execute a Reservation Agreement with Private Dock Owners.

WHEREAS, under Title 85 of the City and Borough Code, Docks and Harbors is responsible for the operation, development, and marketing of the municipally owned and operated port and harbors, including such facilities as boat harbors, docks, ferry terminals, boat launching ramps, and related facilities except as designated by the Assembly by resolution; and

WHEREAS, Docks and Harbors manages a year-round reservation system for large commercial vessels, yachts, and fishing vessels at the Intermediate Vessel Float and along the Statter Harbor Breakwater in Auke Bay; and

WHEREAS, during the summer months, the linear foot capacity at the Intermediate Vessel Float often is exceeded by the demand from small cruise ships, yachts, large pleasure crafts, and commercial fishing vessels; and

WHEREAS, Goldbelt, Inc. owns and operates the float at the Seadrome Dock and manages a float facility along the Merchant's Wharf; and

WHEREAS, Docks and Harbors staffing, with demonstrative experience in reservation management, has the capacity to maximize vessel assignments throughout the downtown waterfront; and

WHEREAS, Goldbelt, Inc. has signaled interest in developing a business plan in which Docks and Harbors could collectively manage the reservations of the publicly owned Intermediate Vessel Float and the privately owned Seadrome Dock with the adjoining Merchant's Wharf Float; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2020-38(b) authorized this pilot arrangement for the 2021 season, and Docks and Harbors successfully managed the two Goldbelt, Inc. docks and realized approximately \$5,000 in revenue from the arrangement; and

WHEREAS, Docks and Harbors views the synergistic opportunity to place the downtown reservation system under a single organization as a financial benefit to the City and Borough of Juneau, a savings on administrative personnel costs for Goldbelt, Inc., and greater customer service to mariners desiring downtown moorage; and WHEREAS, Title 85 does not currently provide the Docks and Harbors Board with authority to execute reservation agreements for privately owned docks.

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

**Section 1.** Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the City and Borough of Juneau Municipal Code.

**Section 2. Amendment of Section.** CBJC 85.02.060, General powers, is amended to read:

## 85.02.060 General powers.

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(b) *Private Dock Reservations*. The Docks and Harbors Board is authorized to execute a reservation agreement for private docks with the following essential terms:

- (1) *Scope.* The Docks and Harbors Department may manage reservations, including moorage services, for any privately owned docks within the City and Borough of Juneau.
- (2) *Priority*. Docks and Harbors shall prioritize reservations at municipally owned facilities.
- (3) *Compensation.* Docks and Harbors shall receive fair market value for its services, which shall be determined by the Docks and Harbors Port Director.
- (4) *Liability.* The City and Borough of Juneau is not assuming control, maintenance, or responsibility of any of private property, including but not limited to vessels using a private dock or private docks and associated facilities. The City and Borough of Juneau is not responsible for the inability to make a reservation, reservation disruptions, reservation changes, market fluctuations, or vessel relocations.
- (5) *Public Records.* All records received by the Docks and Harbors Department related to public-private agreements are public records and subject to the Alaska Public Records Act and CBJC 01.70.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective 30 days after its adoption.

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.

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