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MARINE COMPLEX

Date: December 15, 2016

Ms. Susan Phillips  
City and Borough of Juneau  
115 S Seward Street  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

RE: Marine Passenger Fee Grants

Dear Ms. Susan Phillips,

The Seadrome Marina is an important contributor to Juneau's downtown waterfront activity. The Marina caters directly to boat based shore excursions, small cruise ship market, and private yachts. This includes availability of shore power, potable water, trash disposal, pump-outs, and dock side re-fueling. The wide range of services makes the Seadrome a desirable location for this growing tourism market. These particular tourists from the smaller ships have a history of spending more money per person on shopping, attractions, hotel room nights, and dining. The Seadrome Marina is instrumental in serving their needs in the heart of downtown Juneau.

Goldbelt Inc. has provided small vessel moorage since 1996. Due to the high demand for moorage, our occupancy is increasing each year. As one of two facilities that accommodates vessels ranging from 50-250 feet in length, it is important that we are able to continue to provide this valuable service.

In an effort to continue to provide a safe and reliable moorage option for this segment of the cruise industry, we request consideration for the following project to receive funding from the Marine Passenger Fee Program at the Seadrome Marina.

A condition and evaluation survey was done by Sepel and Son Marine Surveying. As noted in the survey, the oldest dock or "original dock" from 1980 has a length of 24' x 278' and sits parallel to the shoreline. This dock is currently "riding very low". The dock is sloping downward to the west, outboard side, due to the heavy weight of extreme marine growth. Also, severe detrimental corrosion was found at the western inboard end of the dock.





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Their professional recommendation is to tow the dock to Hoonah for haul out, cleaning off of marine growth, sand blasting and painting as needed. An ultrasound inspection was also recommended.

- Remove and separate float sections
- Tow to Hoonah
- Haul out, pressure wash, and moorage for floats in Hoonah awaiting haul out
- Provide and install zinc anodes
- Tow to Juneau
- Re-assemble floats with new galvanized hardware and install @ \$116,198.00
  
- Sandblasting and painting @ \$121,915.00
  
- TOTAL GRANT REQUEST \$ 238,113.00

I am requesting a grant from head tax money to repair this dock. It directly serves the visitors who pay the tax and will continue to serve them well into the future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ron Hauck

Goldbelt Inc.

Special Projects Manager 907-790-1422

