

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough authorizing a one-year extension of a lease of the Human Resources Building by Chilkat Valley Preschool for the purpose of providing preschool educational services and waiving the monthly rent amount scheduled to start in 2016.

WHEREAS, HBC 14.16.060 provides that “[t]he lease of any borough land may be made to any state or federal agency, nonprofit organization, or political subdivision of the state for less than the appraised value, and for a consideration to be determined by the assembly to be in the best interests of the borough”; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit organization known as Chilkat Valley Preschool (CVP) has been leasing the downstairs portion of the borough’s Human Resources Building situated on Lots 8 and 9, Block 13, Haines Townsite Subdivision to provide a preschool program; and

WHEREAS, CVP has leased this property on a year-to-year basis since the Haines City Council first granted the lease on September 20, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the existing lease is effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2015, the borough received a request from CVP for an extension of the lease period to June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the current lease includes a requirement for \$500 monthly rent beginning January 1, 2016 with provision for a waiver if the CVP provides the borough before December 15, 2015 with documentation that a structure suitable for use as a preschool has been obtained; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2015, CVP provided the borough with documentation consisting of a Memorandum of Understanding with Southeast Senior Services supporting the idea of a shared community building at the current Haines Senior Center with construction of an addition; and

WHEREAS, the assembly will consider adoption of Resolution 15-12-652 on December 15, 2015 approving the concept of expanding the borough-owned Senior Center building to accommodate a preschool; and

WHEREAS, knowing the borough still desires to dispose of the Human Resources Building, CVP has been aggressively pursuing relocation to another facility while at the same time attempting to operate the program with minimal disruption; and

WHEREAS, Borough Charter 3.03(8) stipulates that the leasing of borough property must be granted by the assembly by ordinance,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED, by the Haines Borough Assembly, that it is hereby determined to be for a public purpose and in the public interest of the Haines Borough to extend through June 30, 2017 the existing lease of the Human Resources Building with the Chilkat Valley Preschool for the purpose of providing preschool educational services; and

BE IT ALSO ENACTED, the Assembly waives the \$500 monthly rent amount set to begin January 1, 2016, subject to the adoption of Resolution 15-12-652.

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

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Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2015.

Janice Hill, Mayor

Attest:

Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk

Date Introduced: 12/15/15
Date of First Public Hearing: 01/12/16
Date of Second Public Hearing: 01/26/16