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December 12, 2023

To : Mayor Morphet and Haines Borough Assembly Members:

I am requesting that you to issue an immediate STOP WORK ORDER to Turnagain Marine, contractor for the proposed Lutak Dock, and suspend any further contracted or Borough staff activity associated with currently proposed Lutak Dock project until the many questions that have arose surrounding the appropriateness of financial decisions, possible fraudulent application procedures, lack of transparency, lack of appropriate public notification and participation, through vetting of the public's present and future financial burden/obligations, environmental consequences, necessity to provide safe and long term necessary fuel delivery and commodity commerce across the dock, among others.

Foremost, in my opinion, in any consideration in investing the public's money in the Lukas Dock should be:

- 1) answer the question, "Why are we taking on a financial burden for a dock dedicated to commerce by commercial, for profit entities, when most, if not all, other SE communities do not own docks in their communities dedicated to the same activity?"
- 2) make it safe, both structurally and environmentally.
- 3) do it in a manner that minimizes long term maintenance costs

Previous Haines Assemblies and Administrations have unnecessarily obligated the public to shoulder the financial burden of maintaining infrastructure that the State previously owned. Why?

Let's not make the same mistake by obligating the public to not only finance, but also maintain, infrastructure that commercial entities will construct and maintain themselves.

If there is a public, majority consensus, that the Haines Borough finance and maintain the Lutak Dock to meet the needs of our fuel and commodities businesses, let's do it to meet safety and environmental standards for those necessary operations.

Thank you. I greatly admire the time, effort this obligation requires of you to serve our community.

Sincerely,

Kip Kermoian