# Haines Borough Assembly Agenda Bill

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Agenda Bill No.: 24-1346
Assembly Meeting Date: 01/23/24

**Business Item Description: Attachments:** Subject: Hiring of a Contract Assessor 1. Resolution 24-01-1084 2. Appraisal Company of Alaska RFP 3. Appraisal Company of Alaska Contract Originator: Manager Originating Department: Administration Date Submitted: 01/18/24 **Full Title/Motion:** Motion: Adopt Resolution 24-01-1084 **Administrative Recommendation: Fiscal Impact:** Projected Impact to Future Expenditure Required Amount Budgeted Appropriation Required Operating Budgets \$50,000 \$0 \$0 N/A **Comprehensive Plan Consistency Review:** Comp Plan Goals/Objectives: Consistent: Yes □No **Summary Statement:** Referral: Referred to: Referral Date: Recommendation: Meeting Date: **Assembly Action:** 

Public Hearing Date(s): Postponed to Date:

Meeting Date(s): 01/23/24

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#### HAINES BOROUGH RESOLUTION No. 24-01-1084

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Borough Manager to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC to provide contract Assessor Services for the Haines Borough.

**WHEREAS,** due to the loss of the Haines Borough Assessor, the Haines Borough needs a contract Assessor to assist the Borough with consulting and administration of the ad valorem property tax assessments for the Haines Borough in 2024 and 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC has assessment contracts with several municipalities similar to the Haines Borough and

WHEREAS, Company President Michael Renfro is familiar with the Haines Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** the services Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC proposes to provide to the Haines Borough are:

- I. **Assessments-** Produce the assessment roll for the next two years, including administration and attendance at the Board of Equalization;
- 2. **Documentation-** Documentation of existing approach to assessment in the Haines Borough and communicate the assessment approach publicly;
- 3. **System Review and Design-** Review current assessment practices and help develop a transition plan:
- 4. **Technology Utilization** Identify and/or implement the technology aspects of an assessment system:
- 5. Training Provide training to Borough staff; and

WHEREAS, time is of the essence since the appraisal date is January 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC proposes to provide services to the Haines Borough at a rate not to exceed \$50,000 for 2024 and \$100,000 for 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC shall be allowed to use a Borough vehicle for work as specifically authorized by this resolution per HBC 14.12.0IO(B) Personal Property or equipment; and

**WHEREAS,** the funding for these services will be achieved via line item transfer within the Lands Department,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Haines Borough Assembly authorizes the borough manager to enter into a professional services agreement with Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC to provide contract Assessor Services for the Haines Borough.

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on this 23rd day of January, 2024.

### A PROPOSAL FOR Haines Borough, Alaska PROFESSIONAL ASSESSMENT SERVICES

January 12, 2024

PREPARED BY: MICHAEL C. RENFRO, PRESIDENT

APPRAISAL COMPANY OF ALASKA, LLC 405 W. 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99503 (907) 562-2424

# Appraisal Company of Alaska LLC

405 W. 27th Ave. ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99503 office@appraisalalaska.com EIN#26-2071908

January 12, 2024

Tom Morphet Haines Borough 103 Third Ave. S. Po Box 1209 Haines, Alaska 99872

Re:

RFP for Contract Assessment Services

Years 2024, 2025, 2026

Dear Mr. Morphet:

As you have requested, the Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC submits the following proposal to the Haines Borough for Professional Assessment and CAMA Services.

The Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC is fully prepared to meet the project objectives.

This proposal is presented by:

Michael C. Renfro, President Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC 405 W. 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Telephone:

(907) 562-2424

Fax:

(907) 563-1368

email:

mrenfro@appraisalalaska.com

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our proposal. If you have any additional questions, please call me.

Sincerely,

APPRAISAL COMPANY OF ALASKA, LLC

Michael C. Renfro, President

MCR:tlf

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#### PROFESSIONAL STAFF

#### CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR AND PRINCIPAL PERSONNEL

A brief narrative discussion of the Plan Administrator and principal personnel is as follows. Complete resumes are located toward the end of this section.

Michael C. Renfro: The Plan Administrator will be Michael C. Renfro, President of Appraisal Company of Alaska. He has extensive experience working in Cordova and has administered the complete assessments on ten communities and Boroughs in the State. Mike has supervised the implementation of the conversion to assessment CAMA Systems in seven communities and Boroughs throughout the state. He has assisted in writing courses for the State Assessor that have been presented at the Alaska Municipal League conferences and will be on hand to oversee the assessment process.

<u>Adam Verrier</u>: Adam is an assessor and an appraiser with appraisal experience throughout the State over the past twenty years. He is a licensed appraiser and has applied for his Level III Assessor Certification with the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers.

<u>Arne Erickson</u>: Staff assessor with extensive experience in Urban Planning and nineteen years' experience working in Cordova.

<u>Martins Onskulis</u>: Staff assessor with four years' experience throughout the state. He has applied for his appraisal trainee license, and is well versed in the Alaska CAMA System.

Other Staff: Appraisal Company of Alaska is a full service appraisal company. In addition to the Assessing Staff are two support personnel.

# **QUALIFICATIONS OF APPRAISER**

# MICHAEL C. RENFRO

<b>EDUCATION</b>	N:
2021	27 Hour Continuing Education Sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2021	7 Hour Uniform Standards & Professional Appraisal Practice 2021 Update
2018	7 Hour Uniform Standards & Professional Appraisal Practice 2018 Update
2015-2017	27 Hour Continuing Education Sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2013-2015	27 Hour Continuing Education Sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2011	27 Hour Continuing Education Sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2009	27 Hour Continuing Education Sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2007	27 Hour Continuing Education Sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2005	27 Hour Continuing Education Sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2003	The Road Less Traveled; Special Purpose Properties by Appraisal Institute, Girdwood, Alaska
2003	Appraisal of Non-Conforming Uses by Appraisal Institute, Girdwood, Alaska
2003	Partial Interest Valuation Dividend; Appraisal Institute, Girdwood, Alaska
2003	Subdivision Analysis; Appraisal Institute, Girdwood, Alaska
2002	Introduction to Real Estate Econometrics with a Trend Analysis Application; sponsored by Appraisal Institute of Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska
2002	IAAO Course 102 – Income Approach to Valuation; sponsored by AAAO, Anchorage, Alaska
2001	Seminar on Partial Interest Valuation – Divided; sponsored by Appraisal Institute of Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska
2001	Seminar on Partial Interest Valuation – Undivided; sponsored by Appraisal Institute of Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska
2000	Standards of Professional Practice, Part C, sponsored by Appraisal Institute of Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska
1999	On-Line Residential Design and Functional Utility, sponsored by Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL

# QUALIFICATIONS MICHAEL C. RENFRO pg. 2 EDUCATION (Continued):

1997	IAAO Course 311: Residential Modeling Concepts, sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Anchorage, Alaska
1995	Standard of Professional Practice, Course 410 & 420, sponsored by the Appraisal Institute, Anchorage, Alaska
1995	IAAO Course 630: Personal Property Auditing, sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Anchorage, Alaska
1994	Valuing Property Affected by Environmental Contamination sponsored by the International Association of Assessing Officers, Seattle, Washington
1993	IAAO Course 301: Mass Appraisal of Residential Property, sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Anchorage, Alaska
1993	IAAO Course 1: Fundamentals of Real Property Appraisal, sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Prudhoe Bay, Alaska
1993	IAAO Course 4: Assessment Administration, sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Anchorage, Alaska
1991	An Introduction to the Appraisal of Conservation Easements and Restricted Lands, sponsored by the Lincoln Land Institute, Phoenix, Arizona
1991	Valuation of Wetlands, sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Fairbanks, Alaska
1991	Valuation Of Contaminated Properties and the Effect On Assessed Values, sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Fairbanks, Alaska
1991	Standards of Professional Practice, sponsored by the Appraisal Institute, Anchorage, Alaska
1989	Seminar, The Appraisal of Possessory Interests for ad valorem tax purposes sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers
1989	ANSCA 1991 Amendments workshop sponsored by the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers
1989	Seminar, Methods and Techniques Appropriate for the Development of a True Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal System for Commercial Properties and the Usefulness of a Graphic Information System.

# MICHAEL C. RENFRO pg. 3 EDUCATION (Continued):

1987	Cash Equivalency Seminar sponsored by the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers
1983	Condominium Seminar, Society of Real Estate Appraisers
1979	Attended Society of Real Estate Appraisers' Narrative Report Writing Seminar
1979	Completed Society of Real Estate Appraisers R-2 (Residential Narrative) Examination
1972-1974	Western State College of Colorado, Degree Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration
1971	Completed Course 1A, "Real Estate Appraisal" Basic Principles, Methods and Techniques, American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, Chicago, Illinois
1966-1968	Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

2019-Present Appraiser, Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC Owner

1976-2019 Appraiser, Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC Owner/Partner

1974-1976 Real Estate Appraiser with Gebhart and Peterson, Inc.

1969-1971 Staff Real Estate Appraiser with Alaska Mutual Savings Bank

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

Residential Real Estate Appraiser; State of Alaska Certificate No. APRR-114

Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, Alaska Certified Assessor Appraiser, Level II - Certificate No.129

International Association of Assessing Officers

#### OTHER:

Past member of the Matanuska Susitna Borough Board of Equalization

Qualified as an expert witness in the State of Alaska Superior Court and the United States Federal Court

#### **QUALIFICATIONS OF APPRAISER**

# **ADAM B. VERRIER**

# **EDUCATION:**

2012-2023	Continuing Education USPAP Update Courses Alaska Chapter of the Appraisal Institute, Anchorage, Alaska
2011	Loss Prevention for Real Estate Appraisers – Liability Administrators Insurance, Santa Barbara, CA
2011	Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice Update - William King & Associates, Federal Way, WA
2011 Energ	y Efficient Heating & Hot Water – Alaska Craftsman Home Program, Anchorage,
2011 Energ	y Efficient Lighting & Appliances – Alaska Craftsman Home Program, Anchorage,
2011 Ventil	ation in Homes – Alaska Craftsman Home Program, Anchorage, AK
2011 Energ	y Efficient Doors & Windows – Alaska Craftsman Home Program, Anchorage, AK
2011 Buildin	ng Science Basics – Alaska Craftsman Home Program, Anchorage, AK
2011 Air Tig	ghtness in Homes – Alaska Craftsman Home Program, Anchorage, AK
2011 Ice Da	ams – Alaska Craftsman Home Program, Anchorage, AK
2009	Introduction to Valuing Green Buildings - Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2009	Valuation of Green Residential Properties – Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2009	Eminent Domain and Condemnation - Appraisal Institute, Chicago, IL
2009	Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice Update - William King & Associates, Federal Way, WA
2007 Cours Anchorage, A	e 400: USPAP Update Course – Alaska Chapter of the Appraisal Institute; laska
2005 Cours Girdwood, Ala	e 400: USPAP Update Course – Alaska Chapter of the Appraisal Institute; aska
	& Ratios: Making Sense of GIMs, OARs, and DCF – Alaska Chapter of the itute; Girdwood, Alaska

#### QUALIFICATIONS (PAGE 2) ADAM B. VERRIER

# EDUCATION CONTINUED:

2005 Residential Design & Functional Utility – Appraisal Institute; Chicago, Illinois

2005 The Professional's Guide to the Uniform Appraisal Report – Appraisal Institute; Warwick, Rhode Island

2002 IAAO Course 102 - The Income Approach to Valuation; Anchorage, Alaska

2001 The Technical Inspection of Real Estate - The Beckman Company; Anchorage, Alaska

2000 IAAO Course 400 – Assessment Administration; Anchorage, Alaska

2000 Introduction ACCESS 2000; Anchorage, Alaska

2000 IAAO Workshop 151 - Standards of Practice and Professional Ethics; Durham, New Hampshire

2000 IAAO Workshop 155 - Depreciation Analysis; Durham, New Hampshire

1999 IAAO Course 300 - Fundamentals of Mass Appraisal; Anchorage, Alaska

1999 Real Estate Appraisal - Case Studies, University of Alaska; Anchorage, Alaska

1998 Real Estate Appraising, University of Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska

1993 B.A. Psychology, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

1998 to

Present Residential Real Estate Appraiser; Assessor; Appraisal Company of Alaska

1997 Construction Contractor Assistant; Ed Sanderson, Anchorage, Alaska

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

- Alaska Association of Assessing Officers; Alaska Certified Assessor Appraiser Level III;
   Certificate #194
- Certified Residential Real Estate Appraiser, State of Alaska Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers; License #326
- Member, U.S. Ski Team 1994-1995
- Member, U.S. Olympic Ski Team, 1994 Olympics, Lillehammer, Norway

#### **QUALIFICATIONS OF**

#### ARNE G. ERICKSON

#### **EDUCATION:**

2008 Course Completion - Fundamentals of Real Property Appraisal. Sponsored/conducted by AAAO.

2002 to

Present Appraisal Company of Alaska; Assessing Department

1983 Masters of Urban & Regional Planning; Eastern Washington University

1996 to

1997 Appraisal Company of Alaska; On-the-Job Training

1975 to

1980 Alaska Municipal League Sponsored Municipal Assessment Courses

1974 Bachelor of Arts – Community Planning; Eastern Washington University

1972 Bachelor of Arts - Political Science and Economics; University of Alaska

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

2002 to	
Present	Municipal Assessor; Appraisal Company of Alaska
1997-2002	Community Development Director; Bristol Bay Borough
1996-1997	Municipal Assessor; Appraisal Company of Alaska
1996-1990	EMS/HHS Coordinator; City of Unalaska, Alaska
1990-1983	Director of Planning; City of Unalaska, Alaska
1982- 1983	Assistant County Planner; Franklin County, Washington
1980-1982	Research Fellowship/Lecturer; Eastern Washington University
1975-1980	Administrative Assistant; Bristol Bay Borough
1974-1975	County Planner; Franklin County, Washington
1974 Comm	unity Planner; City of Winthrop, Washington
1966-1969	United States Lieutenant – Forward Support Platoon Leader

#### Qualifications of

#### **Martins Onskulis**

#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I am a recent graduate from the University of Alaska Anchorage with Master's in Business Administration – Statistics/DataAnalytics and with a bachelor's degree in aviation and Business Administration and additionally being the captain of the University Ski Team. I am an active volunteer for many organizations helping people in rural Alaska. I'm well-versed in negotiations, planning and development, relationship management, operations, and logistics coordination and scheduling. I am a hard worker, passionate skier, and amateur hockey player. Throughout my college and athletic career, I have learned the importance of hard work, honesty, and being grateful for what I have. Those principles and values have helped me to succeed in athletics and college. Since the age of 16, I have spent every summer working many different jobs, which has provided me with vast experience of problem-solving in everchanging environments. In the past I have worked as a Management Intern at the Merrill Field Airport, where I gained practical skills, as well as a nuts & bolts perspective of whatit takes to operate an airport. Currently I am working as an Assessor at Appraisal Company of Alaska and Alpine Ski Coachfor Alyeska Ski Club.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPIERIENCE

FIS U19 Alpine Coach, 09/2019 to current

Responsible for each athletes' development to her/his full potential by offering an
appropriate blend of guided free- skiing, skill enhancement, technical improvement, and
racecourse tactics in an atmosphere of fun and encouragement. Other tasks include
creating outstanding citizens and expert, versatile skiers who would eventually become
outstandingracers. Areas of focus include mental/physical preparation and course
tactics.

#### APPRAISAL COMPANY OF ALASKA - ANCHORAGE

Assessor Trainee/Intern, 09/2018 to 09/2019; Assessor 09/2019 to current

 Responsible for determination of the taxability and value of properties, field inspection, structural measurement, calculation, sales analysis, market trend studies, and income and expense analysis. I am also responsible for preparing and maintaining current data on each parcel assessed, including maps of boundaries, inventories of land and structures, property characteristics, and any applicable exemptions. GIS mapping and analysis.

#### **MERRILL FIELD AIRPORT - ANCHORAGE**

Management Intern, 05/2017 to 08/2017

I worked on multiple tasks, projects, and activities. Most of the projects and activities can
be divided into daily tasks thatinvolve office work, and the on-site activities. The
description of my work, activities, and assignments existed from; observing and
researching, developing new ideas and suggestions, assisting office staff with many
activities, and attending meetings.

#### LLC SANITEX - RIGA

Plumber, 07/2016 to 07/2016

• Responsible for installing and repairing water supply lines, waste disposal systems, and related appliances and fixtures.

#### LLC BILD - RIGA

Equipment Manager, 05/2016 - 06/2016 and 05/2015 - 07/2015

- Responsible for planning, coordinating and directing the operations of all equipment for effective maintenance andrepair programs, equipment safety programs and equipment use on company jobsites.
- Part time technical adviser on all equipment issues and assists the management team with equipment budgets and potential equipment purchases.

#### LLC ABRASIV - RIGA

Asphalt Paver, 06/2011 - 08/2011

- · Responsible for placing the asphalt in hoppers or tanks.
- Monitor the machine's settings and the asphalt temperature.

#### LLC ABRASIV - RIGA

Asphalt Paver, 06/2010 - 08/2010

- Responsible for loading equipment and materials on trucks at the end of the day.
- Set up the equipment as needed, inspect it, clean it and perform routine maintenance or minor repairs.
- Responsible for traffic control, using flags or signs to direct traffic around the work area.

#### LLC ABRASIV - RIGA

Paver, 06/2009 - 08/2009

- Responsible for repairing and framing the work area.
- Inspect the ground for instability and, drain weak, soaked soils.
- Cutting and setting of the segments, correct spacing and alignment.

#### **EDUCATION**

Master's in Business Administration, Business Intelligence and Business Analytics, May - 2020

- GPA: 3.92/4.0
- Member of University Ski Team

Bachelor of Science in Aviation Management and Business Administration, May – 2018

- GPA: 3.65/4.0
- Member of University Ski Team

#### VALMIERA STATE GYMNASIUM – VALMIERA, LATVIA

High School Diploma, May - 2012

- GPA: 3.84/4.0
- Member of Soccer Team
- President of the Student Union

#### CERTIFICATION

- USSA Alpine Level 200 Coach
- USSA Alpine Competition Official Level 1
- USSA Alpine Referee Level 1
- Basic Appraisal Procedures
- Trainee Appraisal Course
- · Basic Appraisal Principles
- 15-Hour Equivalent USPAP Course
- Certified Level 1 Appraiser (Alaska Association of Assessing Officers; Certificate 295)

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Member of Latvian National Men's Alpine Ski Team
- Participated in Winter Olympic Games in Sochi 2014.
- Participated in World Championships in Schladming 2013, Austria, World Championships in Beaver Creek 2015, USA. And many higher-level competitions.
- Volunteer for Alaska Special Olympics, Crow Creek Pass Run, Iditarod Dog Sled Race, Ski4Kids and SkiKu skiing program (around 340 hours). Most of the volunteering activities include North Slope communities – Barrow, AnaktuvukPass, and other places.

#### PRIMARY STAFF FOR HAINES BOROUGH ASSESSMENT PROJECT

LEAD APPRAISER: Michael C. Renfro – Supervisor/Valuations

STAFF: Arne Erickson – Field Work/Valuations

Martins Onskulis - Field Work/CAMA Systems

Sara Moore - Records Support for CAMA System

Michael Renfro, Arne Erickson and Martins Onskulis will be available for the 2024 BOE.

#### STATEMENT OF EXPERIENCE

The Appraisal Company of Alaska is a full service statewide real estate appraisal company that has been in business since 1976 under the current owner. The principal is Michael C. Renfro.

In addition to complete fee appraisal services on a statewide basis, the Appraisal Company of Alaska, under the direction of Michael C. Renfro, is the only firm in the state that maintains full-time ad valorum staff providing contract assessment and related appraisal services to communities throughout the state.

Appraisal Company of Alaska has, over the past 30 years, worked in all areas of the assessment field for twelve different communities and boroughs throughout the state of Alaska.

Appraisal Company of Alaska's areas of expertise range from field and construction inspections, valuations for difference communities and personal property assessment and valuations, including the Bristol Bay and Dillingham Drift Net fleets. In addition, we provide valuable expertise in Municipal valuation and lands issues with the addition of Arne Erickson, a graduate urban planner with past experience as the planner for the City of Unalaska and the Bristol Bay Borough.

As the assessment department is a major portion of our overall business, the staff and manager participate in continuing education in the ad valorum field to stay abreast of current technological changes. These include membership in the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO), the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers (AAAO) and the State of Alaska licensing program for real estate appraisers.

Michael C. Renfro is the overall General Manager and supervisor of the Ad Velorem department.

In addition, the Appraisal Company of Alaska has installed the ALASKA CAMA COMPANY, CAMA System in eight communities in the state.

As part of our statewide service, the Appraisal Company of Alaska maintains databases in the following communities, which are outside our principal areas of operation in Anchorage, Eagle River, Girdwood, Whittier and the Matanuska Susitna Valley:

- 1. All of the North Slope Borough including Barrow, Wainwright, Pt. Hope, etc.
- 2. Kotzebue
- 3. Nome
- 4. Unalaska and other Western Alaska, and Aleutian Communities
- 5. Dillingham
- 6. Bristol Bay Borough, Naknek and King Salmon
- 7. Valdez
- 8. Cordova
- 9. Yakutat
- 10. Wrangell
- 11. Petersburg

All of these communities and areas are serviced out of our Anchorage office.

The Appraisal Company of Alaska's main office is located in Anchorage, Alaska. The staff includes 10 full time and part time staff, appraisers and assessors. The office is automated with up to date computer systems and software. We use a la Mode (Wintotal) residential appraisal software with the Mercury Data system. We are completely EDI capable. The office runs on Microsoft software and ALASKA CAMA Company, CAMA software. To service our rural customers the Company maintains an in-state (800) number (1-800-478-4787).

#### **VALUATION METHOD**

At the award of the contract, the Appraisal Company of Alaska staff will review the 2023 sales ratio study to determine the level of assessment. Based on this study, the staff will determine those areas and type (residential by neighborhood, vacant land, industrial and commercial) of property which fall outside the acceptable valuation parameters.

The appropriate adjustments will be applied to raise or lower these values as determined by the sales ratio study. At the start of Appraisal Company of Alaska's tenure as Contract Assessor for The Borough, we will begin collecting data for our ongoing sales ratio analysis. The sales ratio analysis will be researched and updated throughout our tenure as Borough Assessor and will be used to verify and adjust the assessment ratio. The method of valuation based on the Sales Ration Study is the Market driven cost approach using the Marshall & Swift valuation tables and multipliers.

For 2024 due to limited time to print and mail notices, The Appraisal Company will work with the Borough Staff to identify issues in 2023. We will work to correct as many of these issues as possible and be available to communicate with the public. Prior to submitting this proposal, we have had several discussions with the Borough staff to identify the assessment issues.

#### FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

The Appraisal Company of Alaska has been in business since 1976. All of our banking has been is now with Wells Fargo Bank. For verification of our credit worthiness or additional financial information regarding Appraisal Company of Alaska, call Michael C. Renfro at (1-800) 478-4787 If required, I will provide financial statements for Appraisal Company of Alaska but not for public disclosure. In the pas 40 plus years, the Company has completed all assessment assignments for up to twelve communities per year for the bid amount.

A certificate of insurance will be provided at the acceptance of this proposal.

#### **RELEVANT WORK AND REFERENCES**

Following are references from the various communities in which Appraisal Company of Alaska has performed assessment work and CAMA installation and conversion over the years. In each of these communities the Appraisal Company has also performed additional appraisal assignments.

	ASSSESMENT	PERSONAL	FEE	INSURANCE
CITY	REAL	PROPERTY	APPRAISALS	VALUATION
Unalaska	X		X	Х
Bristol Bay Borough	X	X	X	Х
North Slope Borough	Х	Х		Х
Valdez	X		Х	X
Wrangell	X		X	X
Petersburg	X		X	X

<sup>\*</sup>North Slope Borough has their own in house CAMA System.

NAME OF CITY:

City of Unalaska

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

Marjorie Veeder, Assistant City Manager

PHONE NUMBER:

(907) 581-1252

MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 610 - Unalaska, Alaska 99685-0610

DATES OF CONTRACTS:

1986 through 2024

NUMBER OF PARCELS:

932

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Complete assessment duties including a reinspection of all improved parcels over the past six years. In addition, we have installed and updated the assessment rolls to a CAMA System. Additional services have included business personal property valuation (now done by the City staff), designing business personal property return forms. We have also completed substantial title research to update property records for both taxable and exempt properties.

Today the City runs their own GIS system and has developed a custom tax roll program that interfaces with Microsoft Access.

NAME OF CITY:

Bristol Bay Borough

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

Stephen Wilson, Finance Director

PHONE NUMBER:

(907) 246-4224

MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 189 - Naknek, Alaska 99633

DATES OF CONTRACTS:

1987 through 2024

NUMBER OF PARCELS:

1,881

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Complete assessment duties including a reinspection of all improved parcels. We have assisted in the computerization of the tax roll for both real and personal property. In addition, we have printed and mailed the assessment notices and bills for two years during personnel transition. Additional services have included assisting the reinventory of all boats and the development of a standard boat valuation format, personal property valuation and use of the ALASKA CAMA COMPANY, CAMA Systems for real property valuation.

NAME OF CITY:

City of Valdez

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

Barb Rusher, Comptroller

PHONE NUMBER:

(907) 835-4313

MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 307 - Valdez, Alaska 99686

DATES OF CONTRACTS:

1982 through 2024

NUMBER OF PARCELS:

2,440

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Complete assessment duties including four complete revaluations. Over the years, we have completely reinspected all the improved parcels and rewritten most of the assessment cards, now converted to the ALASKA CAMA COMPANY, CAMA System.

NAME OF CITY:

North Slope Borough

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

Mari Moore, Assessor

PHONE NUMBER:

(907) 561-5144

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 

P.O. Box 69 - Barrow, Alaska 99723

DATES OF CONTRACTS:

1980 through 2024

NUMBER OF PARCELS:

5,348

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Complete assessment duties including complete revaluations. Over the years we have reinspected all of the improved parcels and rewritten most of the assessment cards and the conversion of these cards to the Patriot CAMA System. Other duties include personal property valuations, review of all AS 43.56 properties within the Borough and insurance valuations of all Borough owned real property for Lloyds Insurance Group – London, England. We have become fully versed in the Borough Patriot CAMA valuation system.

NAME OF CITY:

City of Wrangell

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

Mason Villarma, Financial Director

PHONE NUMBER:

(907) 874-2381

MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 531 - Wrangell, Alaska 99929

DATES OF CONTRACTS:

1990 through 2024

NUMBER OF PARCELS:

2,562

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Work has included reinspection of all the Wrangell real property and several revaluation cycles. Also included was tracking sales during the closure of the Wrangell Lumber Mill, the largest local employer. We helped to develop an interface between the tax roll and the Accounting System. Also converted all assessment records to the ALASKA CAMA COMPANY, CAMA System.

### **COST PROPOSAL**

The following fee schedule is a not-to-exceed cost per year to include all expenses and the Board of Equalization.

Year	Assessments		
2024	Update/BOE	\$50,000	
2025	Update/Revalue	\$100,000	
2026	Update/Revalue	\$75,000	DK .

### Ownership of Work Products:

Ownership of all work products will be the Haines Borough.

# **SIGNIFICANT ENGAGEMENTS**

# City of Unalaska:

Scope	Date	Consultants	Contact
Assessments	1986/Present	None	Majorie Veeder
Valuation CAMA			(907) 581-1251
System			
installation			

# North Slope Borough:

Scope	Date	Consultants	Contact
Assessments Insurance Valuations	2000/Present	None	Mari Moore (907) 852-0423

# City of Valdez:

Scope	Date	Consultants	Contact
Annual	1982/Present	Yes, Oil and Gas	Barb Rusher
Revaluation CAMA System installation		Properties	(907) 835-4313

# City of Wrangell:

Scope	Date	Consultants	Contact
Assessments	2000/Present	None	Mason Villarma
Revaluation			(907) 874-2381
Possessory			
Interest CAMA	No.		
System			
installation			- X

For 2024 the Appraisal Company will assist the Borough staff in updating the 2023 tax roll using the MARS CAMA program. We will review as many questioned properties as possible and be available to mee the public both before and after the assessment notices are sent out. Any changes to value will be supported by a complete sales ratio study. The Appraisal Company will have staff available to handle all the appeals, and we will meet with all appellants. We will coordinate and handle all appeals that go to the BOE. All work will be coordinated with the Borough staff.

If the Borough considers extending the contract for 2025, the Appraisal Company proposes the following.

The Appraisal Company will set up a systematic inspection schedule for all properties in the Borough. We will work with the staff throughout the year to field inspect as many properties as possible. We will update the MARS CAMA system and provide instruction to the staff on it's use and operating system. All or any valuation changes will be based on an updated sales ratio study. In addition, we will work with Gary Greenburg to update the Borough's GIS system and parcel identification.

In 2026 the Appraisal Company will finish any work not completed in 2025. This also includes updating the MARS database. Continued instruction on the use of the MARS CAMA system with Borough Staff, and updating any valuations based on a current sales ratio study.

In every year the Appraisal Company staff will be available to meet with the public and represent the Borough at the annual Board of Equalization. Our goal is to assist the Borough in a systemic update of its assessment and assessing system. In addition to meeting with the Assembly and concerned citizens to answer questions about the assessment process and property valuations.

# **Haines Borough**

# Professional Services Agreement Assessment Services

# AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONSULTANT

This Agreement is effective <u>January 24, 2024</u> and is between the <u>Haines Borough</u>, a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of Alaska with its principal place of business at 103 Third Avenue S., Haines, Alaska 99827 ("the Borough") and <u>Appraisal Company of Alaska LLC</u>, a company with its place of business at 405 W. 27<sup>th</sup> Ave., Anchorage, Alaska 99503 ("the Consultant"). The Borough and the Consultant are sometimes collectively referred to as "Parties."

The Parties agree as set forth below.

#### Article I - Contract Documents

1.1 The Contract Documents consist of this Agreement, Appraisal Company of Alaska's January 12, 2024 proposal, and all modifications issued after execution of this Agreement. The Contract Documents shall form the Contract and are fully incorporated into this Agreement, and shall be a part thereof as if fully set forth herein. If anything in the Contract Documents is inconsistent with this Agreement, the Agreement shall govern.

#### Article II - The Work

2.1 The Consultant shall provide consulting and administrative services for the ad valorem property tax assessments for the Haines Borough per the attached proposal.

#### Article III - Time of Commencement and Contract Term

3.1 1. <u>Terms of Agreement.</u> This Agreement shall commence as of **January 24, 2024**, and shall continue to and including **July 1, 2025**. This Agreement may automatically be **renewed year-to-year so long as mutually agreeable and subject to satisfactory contractor performance and funding availability**. Contract conditions and rates may be renegotiated prior to any contract renewal. Either party may cancel the written contract by providing a minimum 30-day notice, in writing, with or without cause.

#### Article IV - Cost of the Work

- 4.1 The Consultant agrees to submit periodic invoices for work performed. The Consultant agrees to a budget not to exceed \$50,000 for the contract term of January 24-June 30, 2024 and \$100,000 for the contract term of July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025. Invoices shall be payable by the Borough according to its regular accounts payable schedule.
- 4.2 Additional Costs. The Haines Borough shall be responsible to provide the use of a Borough vehicle, when available.

#### Article V - Changes in the Work

5.1 The Borough may make changes in the work as provided in the Contract Documents. The Consultant may be reimbursed for changes in the work on the basis of negotiations between the Borough and the Consultant. The Consultant may be reasonably compensated for profit and overhead on changed work items.



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#### <u>Article VI - Subcontracts and Other Agreements</u>

- 6.1 The Borough shall be notified in advance by the Consultant of any work being contemplated for assignment to any sub-Contractor and shall approve such tasks being contemplated prior to commencement of any sub-contractor work. The Borough reserves the right to reject or modify any sub-contract assignments, through direction to the Consultant.
- 6.2 All subcontracts shall conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents.

#### Article VII - Insurance

- 7.1 The Consultant and all subcontractors shall maintain the following types of insurance coverage and shall list the Haines Borough as an additional insured:
  - a) General Liability
  - b) Automobile Liability
  - c) Errors & Omissions

#### Article VIII - Termination of Contract

8.1 The Borough retains the right to terminate the contract at any time for any reason, at the convenience of the Borough. If the Borough terminates the contract, it shall reimburse the Consultant for any unpaid cost of the work due. The Borough shall further assume and become liable for obligations, commitments, and unsettled claims that the Consultant has previously undertaken or incurred in good faith in connection with the work. The Consultant shall assign all interests or rights as the Borough may require for the purpose of vesting in the Borough the rights and benefits of the Consultant under such obligations or commitments.

#### Article IX - Miscellaneous Provisions

- 9.1 The Borough's representative under this agreement shall be the Borough Manager.
- 9.2 Consultant agrees to obtain and/or furnish to the Haines Borough a copy of its State of Alaska and Haines Borough business license.
- 9.3 This contract was approved by the Haines Borough Assembly per Resolution 22-12-1014 on January 23, 2024.

HAINES BOROUGH	CONSULTANT
Annette Kreitzer	Michael C. Renfro, President
Borough Manager	Appraisal Company of Alaska, LLC
Date Signed	Date Signed
Attest:	

Alekka Fullerton, Borough Clerk