

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly approving the concept of expanding the Senior Center building to allow the Chilkat Valley Preschool to share the space.

WHEREAS, since at least January 14, 2014, the borough assembly has publicly communicated its desire to dispose of the Human Resource Building and, on April 28, 2015 through Ordinance 15-03-403, took formal action to classify it for disposal as required by HBC 14.20.040(B);

WHEREAS, the Chilkat Valley Preschool (CVP) has been leasing the Human Resource Building to provide early childhood education and, understanding that occupation of this building as a lessee cannot continue for the long-term, they have been working to find a permanent home; and

WHEREAS, the CVP has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Southeast Senior Services (SESS) to support the concept of a shared community building at the current Senior Center location, providing space for the Haines seniors and the CVP; and

WHEREAS, sharing the space is contingent upon enlarging the building by constructing an estimated 1,000 square foot addition between the building and the playground; and

WHEREAS, in the MOU with SESS, the CVP pledges to provide an initial \$50,000 in funding for the expansion and to secure additional construction funding through grant writing and fundraising; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Center is a borough-owned building, thus requiring borough approval for an addition, and, therefore, the Borough Assembly is asked to approve the concept of modifying the building to accommodate the shared space;

WHEREAS, although the MOU includes statements about what the borough will provide, it is not binding since there is no authority to obligate the borough, and any details concerning management, maintenance, and funding would be negotiated following assembly approval of the concept,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Haines Borough Assembly approves the concept of expanding the Senior Center building to allow the Chilkat Valley Preschool to share the space and authorizes the borough manager to negotiate the details and return for assembly approval as necessary and appropriate.

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on this 15th day of December, 2015.



Janice Hill
Jan Hill, Mayor

Attest:

Julie Cozzi
Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk

*Deputy Clerk
for J. Cozzi*