

**HAINES BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION No. 21-08-926**

**Adopted**

**A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly authorizing the Haines Borough Manager to acquire easements to allow for the placement of Land Slide Monitoring equipment on Parcels C-CIA-03-0400, C-CIA-03-0500 and C-CIA-03-06A0.**

**WHEREAS**, commencing November 30, 2020, the Haines Borough experienced a major Winter Storm event; and

**WHEREAS**, between midnight on November 30, 2020 and 10:00 am December 2, 2020, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the Haines Borough received more than 7 inches of rain; and

**WHEREAS**, the Winter Storm event resulted in a massive landslide across a portion of Beach Road, ("Beach Road Landslide"), completely destroying several homes, causing the deaths of two Borough residents, interrupting the supply of electricity to approximately twenty homes and making that portion of Beach Road east of the landslide ("Beach Road"), impassable to vehicular traffic ; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 2, 2020, the Mayor issued a Declaration of Emergency and on December 3, 2020 the State of Alaska issued a State Disaster for the region; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 17, 2021 the President of the United States issued a Federal Disaster Declaration for the region, thereby activating a Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA) Public Assistance claim for damaged public infrastructure to assist the Borough with recovery efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the declared emergency, a team of geoscientists with different specialties dispatched to the Borough by the State of Alaska have been examining conditions immediately adjacent to the Beach Road Landslide and, in consultations with landslide specialists from the United States Geological Survey, assessing the risks of further landslides adjacent to Beach Road; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 28, 2020 the State of Alaska issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Geotechnical Engineering Consultant to provide data specific consultation to the Borough with respect to the safety of certain locations within the Haines Borough including areas in the immediate vicinity of the Beach Road Landslide; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to that RFP, R&M Consultants, Inc and Landslide Technology were selected to provide consultation services to the Haines Borough in three phases; and

**WHEREAS**, the third phase of the contract which provides Geotechnical Subsurface Investigation and Analysis was approved July 21, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to that contract monitoring equipment will be installed in boreholes located in and around the slide area to provide data with respect to ground movement; and

Haines Borough  
Resolution No. 21-08-926  
Page 2 of 2

**WHEREAS**, the Borough seeks a Land Slide Monitoring System Easement on a portion of Lot 4, Block 3 (C-CIA-03-0400), Lot 5, Block 3 (C-CIA-03-0500) and a portion of Lot6A, Block 3 (C-CIA-03-06A0);

**WHEREAS**, Haines Borough Code section 14.04.030 requires assembly approval for acquisitions of interests in real property; and

**WHEREAS**, HBC 14.04.030(C) provides "No assembly approval is necessary to acquire any easement, right-of-way, permit, license, or other interest in real property if necessary for a utility or public improvement where the utility or public improvement has been authorized and approved by the assembly"; and

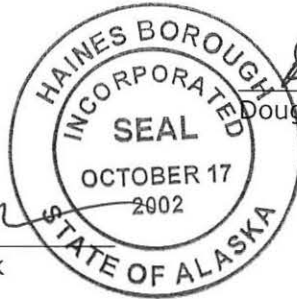
**WHEREAS**, the proposed Landslide Monitoring System Easement is an interest in real property but the public improvement has yet to be specifically authorized and approved by the assembly;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Haines Borough Assembly, approves and authorizes the Borough Manager to acquire Land Slide Monitoring System Easements on portions of Lot 4, Block 3 (C-CIA-03-0400), Lot 5, Block 3 (C-CIA-03-0500) and Lot6A, Block 3 (C-CIA-03-06A0).

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.

Attest:

  
Alekka Fullerton, Borough Clerk



  
Douglas Olerud, Mayor