HAINES BOROUGH, ALASKA RESOLUTION No. 17-12-741

Adopted

A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly supporting the 2017 Haines Coordinated Transportation Project List to be submitted to the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities.

WHEREAS, people with specialized transportation needs have right to mobility; individuals with limited incomes and people with disabilities rely heavily, sometimes exclusively, on public and specialized transportation services to live independent and fulfilling lives; and these services are essential for travel to work and medical appointments, to run essential errands, or simply to take advantage of social or cultural opportunities; and

WHEREAS, under MAP-21, projects funded by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program must be included in a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan; the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities requires any human service transit projects funded by the Alaska Mental Health Trust to also be included in a coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan; and

WHEREAS, the FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program provides operating and capital assistance funding to provide transit and purchase of services to private nonprofit agencies, federally recognized tribes, and to qualifying local public bodies that provide specialized transportation services to elderly persons and to persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Alaska Mental Health Trust provides grants to private nonprofit agencies, federally recognized tribes, and to qualifying local public bodies that serve community transit needs of trust beneficiaries, namely Alaskans who experience mental illness, developmental disabilities, chronic alcoholism with psychosis, or Alzheimer's disease and related dementia through funding for operating assistance, purchase of services, and capital and coordinated transportation system planning; and

WHEREAS, a local committee with participation by representatives of the public sector, private sector, human services providers and the Chilkoot Indian Association met on November 21, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the local committee reviewed and recommended through consensus for Southeast Senior Services/Catholic Community Service to apply for an Operating Assistance grant to be submitted to the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Haines Borough Assembly supports the Haines Borough Coordinated Transportation Plan and the 2017 Transportation Plan Annual Meeting minutes, which identify the following priority project:

Priority 1. Support the Southeast Senior Services/Catholic Community Service/Haines Senior Center's application for an Operating Assistance grant for FY19 from the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to continue providing rides to seniors and people with disabilities.

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Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on this 12th day of WES BORO

December, 2017.

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Janice Hill, Mayor

Attest:

Cozzi, MMC) Borough Clerk