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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 18-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING ASSEMBLY INCORPORATION OF THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES (DOT&PF) BIG LAKE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS INTO THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP).

WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) conducted a study to identify and plan for pedestrian and other non-motorized user safety within the Big Lake Community; and

WHEREAS, the 2030 Alaska DOT&PF Statewide Long-Range Transportation Policy Plan indicates the State's support of various communities' initiatives to develop bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and

WHEREAS, the adopted Big Lake Comprehensive Plan recommends development of a pedestrian and bicyclist friendly street network, development of a transportation system that considers transit operations and a transit station located in downtown Big Lake, and multi-purpose trails along Big Lake Road to South Big Lake State Park, on Hollywood Road, Big Lake Lodge Road, and Beaver Lake Road; and

WHEREAS. DOT&PF and the Project Team has worked collaboratively with an advisory committee, conducted an online survey, conducted a traffic analysis that included pedestrian and bicyclist counts, and engaged in three public meetings, two business stakeholder meetings, and conversations with residents and elected representatives from Bia Lake to develop recommendations for inclusion into the CIP; and

WHEREAS, the study was presented to the Big Lake Community Council on July 11, 2017 and June 12, 2018 and a letter of support for the CIP recommendations was submitted to DOT&PF and the project team; and

WHEREAS, the study was presented to the Mat-Su Transportation Advisory Board on May 24, 2018 for their review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations for the CIP are based on community and stakeholder input, supported by the Big Lake Comprehensive Plan, the Big Lake Community Council, and the Transportation Advisory Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby recommend Assembly adoption of the Alaska DOT&PF Big Lake Pedestrian Improvement Study and recommended Capital Improvements into the Borough's CIP.

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ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this 16th day of July, 2018.

ATTEST

Planning Clerk BRODIGAN,

(SEAL)

YES: anderson, Patterson, Chesbro, Wlashan, and Mossinen

NO: