

Introduced by: Peter Williams, City Manager
Date: February 13, 2018
Action: Passed
Vote: 5-0

CITY OF BETHEL

Resolution # 18-04

SUPPORT FOR TUNDRA RIDGE ROAD REALIGNMENT PROJECT LISTED IN 2018-2021 DRAFT OF STIP

- WHEREAS,** the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) prepared the 2018-2021 draft of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program document and it is available for public comment through March 16, 2018;
- WHEREAS,** the Tundra Ridge Road Paving Project, valued at \$3.9 million and found in the 2016-2019 STIP, was reconfigured to be the Tundra Ridge Road Realignment Project, valued at \$9.35 million;
- WHEREAS,** the STIP description for the Tundra Ridge Road Realignment Project is to "Construct Tundra Ridge Road on new alignment that provides a public road connection;"
- WHEREAS,** the Tundra Ridge Road Realignment Project may result in a road around H-Marker Lake, such that the community would have year-round access to and from the Tundra Ridge/Ptarmigan Area and BIA Road/Airport Area;
- ~~**WHEREAS,** the City of Bethel expects ADOT&PF to require the City to contribute 9.03% in local match;~~
- WHEREAS,** the City supports the Tundra Ridge Road Realignment Project and it's public road connection end result because it will achieve several major objectives: (1) provide a complete road circuit between Ptarmigan Street and the State Highway to facilitate resident mobility and transportation cost savings, (2) allow an efficient, more direct route for emergency response vehicles to serve those living in Tundra Ridge Subdivision and the west side of Ptarmigan Street, (3) cost savings to commercial businesses that rely on ground transportation in and around Bethel as part of their business model (e.g., taxicabs, restaurant that deliver meals, moving company);

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bethel City Council supports the
Tundra Ridge Road Realignment Project listed in the draft 2018-2021 STIP.

**ENACTED THIS 13th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2018 BY A VOTE OF 5 IN FAVOR AND
0 OPPOSED.**

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Fred Watson, Vice-Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk