Introduced by: Interim City Manager Lanning

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CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

Resolution #23-16

A RESOLUTION BY THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL PLACING A HOLD ON ISSUANCE THE OF COMMUNITY ACTION GRANT DISTRIBUTIONS UNTIL THE SECOND QUARTER 2024

- WHEREAS, Bethel Municipal Code 2.60.140 establishes the Community Action Grant Committee, the duties of the community include but are not limited to providing recommendations to the City Council on the funding opportunities to individuals and organizations that request financial support through the community action grant program and to hold two meetings each fiscal quarter;
- **WHEREAS**, the Bethel City Council allocated \$86,000 in the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget to the Community Action Grant applicants requesting financial support for civic programs or events that contribute to the health, welfare and overall lives of the residents of Bethel, especially its most vulnerable populations;
- **WHEREAS**, in an effort to maximize focus on necessary municipal functions with the City's limited staff, the City Council finds it necessary to hold the Community Action Grant funding distribution until the second quarter of 2024 and to cancel the scheduled meeting of the community action grant committee for the next three quarters;
- **WHEREAS**, any applications received for 2023 quarters three and four and/or 2024 quarter one, will be denied, the applicants will be encouraged to reapply in the second quarter of 2024;
- **WHEREAS**, Administration shall provide notice of the 2024 second quarter funding opportunities with an application period of May 1, through May 30, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bethel City Council:

- Places a hold on the distribution of funds for the Community Action Grant Program until the Second Quarter of 2024;
- Directs Administration to deny Community Action Grant applications submitted between August 1, 2023, and March 2024;

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• Directs Administration to open the application period in May of 2024 for the 2024 Second quarter;

 Waives the meeting requirements for the Community Action Grant Committee until June 2024 to coincide with the review of the 2024 Second Quarter Community Action Grant application review.

ENACTED THIS 24th DAY OF OCTOBER 2023 BY A VOTE OF 6 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.

ATTEST;

Lori Strickler,

Mark Springer, Mayor