

RESOLUTION 2013-06
A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM PLANNING COMMISSION

Providing Planning Commission comments to the Alaska Department of Transportation
regarding Project 52799 – Kakanak Road Resurfacing D Street to Squaw Creek

WHEREAS, the City of Dillingham would like to improve the system of multi-use paths in Dillingham which were built by the State and which connect various parts of the community for those using non-motorized forms of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the goal of improved walkability and ADA compliance is woven through several chapters of the 2010 City of Dillingham Comprehensive Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the ADOT is planning to raise some parts of the existing road and this may impact the multi-use path; and

WHEREAS, the existing system of multi-use paths is not well-connected at several intersections and pedestrians are left without clear crossings and in some places must navigate 45 mph traffic; and

WHEREAS, in places guardrails prevent pedestrians from leaving the multi-use path to cross the road at an intersection; and

WHEREAS, portions of the multi-use path system are not compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, the project runs along and crosses wild salmon habitat and there are environmental and drainage concerns; and

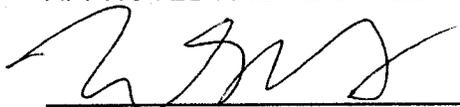
WHEREAS, Dillingham is very proud of its multi-use paths and wants to make them even safer for children and those with disabilities and without motorized transportation to use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dillingham and its citizens are willing to work with ADOT & PF to provide additional planning, research, education, and evaluation tools to develop good solutions to these issues; and

WHEREAS, the upcoming road project #52799, presents an excellent opportunity to enhance the the safety of the road facility;

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Dillingham Planning Commission urges the State Transportation and Public Facilities Department to work with the City of Dillingham and its citizens to provide safer connections, crosswalks, and pedestrian facilities in its transportation network through Project 52799, Kakanak Road Resurfacing – D Street to Squaw Creek.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF January 2013.



Bill Rodawalt, Commission Chair



Jody Seitz, Recorder