## CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-19**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL WAIVING THE PURCHASE REQUIREMENTS FOR PURCHASING AN EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the City of Dillingham (City) has received funds through the CARES Act for financial assistance of COVID related expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the existing Emergency Communication Systems is not adequate to handle the environment created by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to utilize CARES Act funding to update the Emergency Communication System needed for increased capability created by the pandemic, and

WHEREAS, there are only two vendors in Alaska that have the capability to furnish the required system; and

WHEREAS, the City will request direct solicitations from both identified vendors; and

WHEREAS, soliciting bids through the normal process will delay the start of the project and jeopardize the opportunity to fund the project using CARES Act funds that must be spent by December 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Dillingham Municipal Code (DMC) 4.30.130 allows waiving of purchase restrictions if the City Council finds that it is not in the public interest to follow the procurement procedures for the contracting of professional services, following approval of a resolution stating such; and

WHEREAS, the waiver is based on the criteria outlined in DMC 4.30.130, Exemptions B.1 and B.4, Restrictions and provisions of this chapter shall not apply when, 1. An emergency exists where the delays required for compliance with this section would jeopardize the public health, safety or welfare; and 4. The services are of a professional nature requiring specialized knowledge and judgment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dillingham City Council authorizes the City Manager to waive the purchasing requirements and proceed with direct solicitations and procurement of a new Emergency Communication System.

BE, IT FURTHER RESOLVED that payment of services shall not exceed \$750,000.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Dillingham City Council on September 3, 2020.

SEAL:

Alice Ruby, Mayor

Lori Goodell, City Clerk