

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF ALASKA, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS, ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT - DISASTER RECOVERY SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE COOK INLET HOUSING AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH FOR PROPOSED LOW TO MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH.

AGENDA OF: May 3, 2022

Assembly Action:

adopted with Assembly members
McKee & Sumner opposed 5-3-22
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MANAGER RECOMMENDATION: Present to the Assembly for consideration.

APPROVED BY MICHAEL BROWN, BOROUGH MANAGER:

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Route To:	Department/Individual	Initials	Remarks
	Originator - P. Graham	PG	
	Planning Director	PD	
	Finance Director	FD	
	Borough Attorney	BA	
	Borough Clerk	CB	4/25/22

ATTACHMENT (S) : Fiscal Note: YES _____ NO X
Resolution Serial No. 22-045 (2 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

As a result of the 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake, the State of Alaska received \$35,856,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery. HUD identified the Municipality of Anchorage, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, and the Kenai Peninsula Borough as the only Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) eligible jurisdictions, in their entirety.

HUD further determined that the Municipality of Anchorage was the "most impacted and distressed" area, and allocated 80% of the funding to the Municipality, the remaining funding is allocated

between the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, and the Kenai Peninsula Borough. After the deduction of state planning and administrative fees, the Borough is eligible for \$2,868,600.

As required by the funding, in December 2020, the State published the State of Alaska Plan for Disaster Recovery #4413: 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake.

On November 1, 2021, Substantial Amendment #1 to the State of Alaska Plan for Disaster Recovery #4413: 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake, was published in response to the HUD directive that the Action Plan should be focused on the unmet low to moderate-income housing needs.

On March 21, 2022, Substantial Amendment #2 to the State of Alaska Plan for Disaster Recovery #4413: 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake, was published and proposes limited funding use of \$3.41M for the purpose of expediting the Indian (Alaska Native) Housing Authority (IHA)/Cook Inlet Housing Authority Affordable Housing Program within the Municipality of Anchorage.

Substantial Amendment #3 to the State Of Alaska Plan for Disaster Recovery #4413: 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake, that will include the Matanuska-Susitna Borough projects as part of the remaining proposed program activities, is being developed now.

Both the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) main office and the HUD-Anchorage Field Office have highly recommended that the State of Alaska partner with Cook Inlet Housing Authority (CIHA) to ensure the funding meets the Housing First requirements. CIHA has demonstrated experience in community development and affordable housing development to HUD standards. More information and examples are available on their website at www.cookinlethousing.org. The state intends on entering into a sub-recipient Agreement directly with CIHA on behalf of the Municipality of Anchorage.

By asking the state to do the same thing for the Mat-Su funding, we will be providing low to moderate-income housing options without the expense of borough staff time to manage the incoming grant funding with its considerable reporting requirements.

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION: Adopt the resolution as presented