

SUBJECT: REAPPROPRIATING \$1,000,000 FROM THE MAJOR REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS RESERVE AND APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE IDITAROD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLADDING REPAIR PROJECT.

AGENDA OF: November 18, 2025

ASSEMBLY ACTION: Adopted without objection 12/02/25 - BJH

AGENDA ACTION REQUESTED: Introduce and set for public hearing.

Route To	Signatures
Originator	 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kirstie Starr-Watson <small>Signed by: Kirstie Starr-Watson</small>
Department/ Finance Director	 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cheyenne Heindel <small>Signed by: Cheyenne Heindel</small>
Borough Attorney	 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nicholas Spiropoulos <small>Signed by: Nicholas Spiropoulos</small>
Borough Manager	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Brown <small>Signed by: Michael Brown</small>
Borough Clerk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brenda J. Henry for <small>Signed by: Brenda Henry</small>

ATTACHMENT(S): Fiscal Note Yes No _____
 Ordinance Serial No. 25-130 (2 pp)
 Resolution Serial No. 25-115 (2 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT: The exterior cladding at Iditarod Elementary School requires replacement due to failure of the existing porcelain tile system. The school was designed by McCool Carlson Green (MCG) Explore Design and constructed by Collins Construction, completed in 2016. The exterior envelope consists of metal panels, concrete masonry units (CMU), and porcelain ceramic tile.

In 2022, a large section of the tile detached from the north wall. MCG inspected the site and reported a failure area approximately 60 feet wide by 12 feet high. The Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District subsequently contracted Collins Construction to remove loose tile and install metal panels per MCG's repair design.

In 2025, another section of the north wall near the west end failed. MCG inspected the damage in June 2025 and found additional areas where the tile was bulging or beginning to detach. Following inspections by others, the Borough believes all the porcelain tile on the building is compromised and that it, along with other aspects of the building, must be replaced because they will continue to fail. Once funding is appropriated, the Borough will engage a licensed architect to complete a detailed investigation, prepare design documents, and develop cost estimates for permanent repairs.

This legislation appropriates \$1,000,000 from fund 100, Major Repair and Renovation Reserve, to fund 400, project account 40207, Iditarod Elementary School Cladding Repair Project, available through June 30, 2027, to address the safety concern and complete necessary corrective work.

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION: Respectfully request approval.

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
FISCAL NOTE**

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FISCAL ACTION (TO BE COMPLETED BY FINANCE)	FISCAL IMPACT YES NO
AMOUNT REQUESTED \$1,000,000	FUNDING SOURCE Areawide Reserves
FROM ACCOUNT # 100.000.000 4xx.xxx	PROJECT
TO ACCOUNT: 400.000.000 3xx.xxx	PROJECT # 40207
VERIFIED BY: X L i e s e l Z a n t o 1 0 / 3 0 / 2 0 2 5 S i g n e d b y : L i e s e l Z a n t o	

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
Personnel Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land/Structures						
Grants, Claims						
Miscellaneous		1,000.0				
TOTAL OPERATING		1,000.0				

CAPITAL

REVENUE

FUNDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

General Fund		1,000.0				
State/Federal Funds						
Other						
TOTAL		1,000.0				

POSITIONS:

Full-Time						
Part-Time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

 **Redeemable Signature**

APPROVED BY:	X C h e y e n n e H e i n d e l	
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S i g n e d b y : C h e y e n n e H e i n d e l

IM No. 25-251

Ordinance Serial No. 25-130

Resolution Serial No. 25-115