MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH INFORMATION MEMORANDUM IM No. 21-240

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023.

AGENDA OF: December 7, 2021 Assembly Action: ended & adapted without

MANAGER RECOMMENDATION: consideration.

Present to the Ass

Assembly

for

APPROVED BY MICHAEL BROWN, BOROUGH MANAGER:

Route To:	Department/Individual	Initials	Remarks
	Originator: M. Brown	MB	
	Public Works Director	-12l	19 Nov 2021
	Planning and Land Use Director	9.0.	11/19/2021
	Community Development Director	R	
	Finance Director	CK	
	Borough Attorney	1S	
	Borough Clerk	grm 11/2	1/21 BAN

ATTACHMENT(S): Fiscal Note: YES NO X Resolution Serial No. 21-124 (9pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The following are the priorities for State action and funding for Fiscal Year 2023 as presented to the Assembly for consideration.

Borough Action Priorities:

A. Support for Department of Transportation and Public Facilities Road Projects: Knik-Goose Bay Road Reconstruction (Centaur Avenue to Vine Road - \$50 Million, and Vine Road to Settlers Bay Drive - \$25 Million); Bogard Road and Engstrom Road/Green Forest Drive Intersection Upgrade - \$10 Million; Seward Meridian Parkway Extension North, Phase 2 (Palmer-Wasilla Highway to Seldon Road) - \$49 Million

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Knik Arm Crossing - Funds to be determined by Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

- B. Full Complement of Trooper Staffing and Presence in the Mat-Su Valley equaling 71 sworn officers
- C. Continued Support for West Susitna Access Road
- D. Support for State Forestry to Implement a Program to Harvest/Remove Beetle Killed Spruce to Reduce Fire Hazard
- E. Support for User-Friendly Transparent Healthcare Pricing including adoption of a State All-Payer Claims Database
- F. Support Changes to State Law to Allow for More Local Control over Alcohol Beverage Licensing
- G. Support for Alaska Long Trail
- H. Jonesville Public Use Area

Borough Funding Priorities:

- 1. 2021 MSB Transportation Infrastructure Package \$61,135,000
- 2. Full Funding for School Bond Debt Reimbursement \$17,257,374
- 3. Completion of Port MacKenzie Rail Extension (PMRE) \$190 Million
- 4. Metropolitan Transportation Plan \$650,000
- 5. Alaska Railbelt Clean Energy Transportation Infrastructure Project - \$203.9 Million
- 6. Arctic Winter Games 2024 \$500,000
- 7. Fishery Protection \$2.5 Million

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION: Approval of a set of state legislative priorities for action and funding for Fiscal Year 2023 for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.