

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF EXTENSION OF EXPIRING PROJECT FUNDS FOR THE NORTHEAST TEHNETA COMMUNICATIONS TOWER THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027.**

**AGENDA OF: September 2, 2025**

**ASSEMBLY ACTION:**

**AGENDA ACTION REQUESTED:** Introduce and set for public hearing.

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Originator	<div>8 / 1 9 / 2 0 2 5</div> <div>X      D o n a l d J o u r d i a n</div> <div>Signed by: Donald R. Jourdian</div>
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**ATTACHMENT (S):** Ordinance Serial No. 25-098 (1 pp)

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:** This project will construct a 120-foot communications tower east of Sutton to provide emergency radio coverage for the eastern Mat-Su Borough, including Eureka and the Lake Louise area. The tower will improve reliability and enhance public safety across the region.

On May 20, 2025, ORD #25-056 was adopted to extend the expiration date of funds to June 30, 2026.

There is currently \$389,400.00 left in the Northeast Tehneta Communications Tower project account 47525-1800-1812 with an expiration date of June 30, 2026. To date, the Mat-Su Borough has finalized an agreement with the State of Alaska to share the tower site location. The agreement was recently signed by the Borough manager, granting the Borough access to the site for construction of the communications tower.

The request to extend the project funds account is necessary because the construction contract cannot be issued with an end date beyond the current funding expiration. The work will not be completed by the June 30, 2026 deadline and is expected to extend into early 2027.

**RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION:** Staff requests the adoption of the legislation extending the time of completion for Project No. 47525-1800-1812, Fund 480, Northeast Tehneta Communications Tower to June 30, 2027.