

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$300,000 FROM THE RASMUSON FOUNDATION, AND A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE MATANUSKA RIVER PARK & CAMPGROUND UPGRADES AND ALASKA LONG TRAIL GATEWAY INSTALLATION.

AGENDA OF: August 4, 2026

ASSEMBLY ACTION:

AGENDA ACTION REQUESTED: Introduce and set for public hearing.

Route To	Signatures
Department Director	7/15/2026 X J i l l i a n M o r r i s s e y Signed by: J i l l i a n M o r r i s s e y
Finance Director	Recoverable Signature X C h e y e n n e H e i n d e l Signed by: C h e y e n n e H e i n d e l
Borough Attorney	7/15/2026 X S h a n n o n B o d o l a y Signed by: S h a n n o n B o d o l a y
Borough Manager	7/15/2026 X M i c h a e l B r o w n Signed by: M i c h a e l B r o w n
Borough Clerk	7/22/2026 X L o n n i e M c K e e . . . Signed by: L o n n i e M c K e e . . .

ATTACHMENT (S) : Fiscal Note

Rasmuson Grant Agreement (4 pp)

Ordinance Serial No. 26-089 (2 pp)

Resolution Serial No. 26-072 (2 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT: The Community Development Department has secured a \$300,000 grant from the Rasmuson Foundation to support infrastructure improvements at the Matanuska River Park and Campground.

Grant funds will be utilized to upgrade the facility's aging electrical and water systems and to support a 'gateway' installation of the Alaska Long Trail at the park and campground. These enhancements will improve visitor amenities, strengthen essential infrastructure, and support the long-term recreational and tourism value of the facility. No match is required for this

grant.

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 \$300,000	FUNDING SOURCE Grant
FROM ACCOUNT #	PROJECT
TO ACCOUNT: 440.000.000 3xx.xxx	PROJECT # 15040
VERIFIED BY: X <u>L i e s e l Z a n t o</u> Signed by: L i e s e l Z a n t o	

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031
Personnel Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land/Structures						
Grants, Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING						

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

General Fund						
State/Federal Funds						
Other		300.0				
TOTAL		300.0				

POSITIONS:

Full-Time						
Part-Time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

APPROVED BY:	 Recoverable Signature X <u>C h e y e n n e H e i n d e l</u> Signed by: C h e y e n n e H e i n d e l
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**RASMUSON FOUNDATION
GRANT AGREEMENT**

Grantee: Matanuska Susitna Borough
Total Award Amount: \$300,000
Award Detail and Conditions: \$300,000 grant to support Matanuska River Park and Campground improvements
Grant Number: 20253
Grant Type: Legacy
Assigned Program Officer: Samona Norombaba (snorombaba@rasmuson.org)
(907) 297-2700 or toll-free in Alaska 877-366-2700

Use of Grant Funds

Rasmuson Foundation (the "Foundation") has selected the Grantee for the specific Award Detail and Conditions described above (the "Project"). The Grantee agrees that the entire amount of the Grant will be used for the Project, which may include associated indirect costs. The Grantee further agrees that the Grant will be used exclusively for charitable purposes described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). No portion of this Grant is earmarked for use in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

Grantee agrees not to use any portion of the Grant: (i) to participate in any campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office; (ii) to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive; (iii) to make grants to individuals on a nonobjective basis; or (iv) for any purpose other than one specified in Code Section 170(c)(2)(B) (e.g., charitable or educational purposes). Grantee agrees to repay to the Foundation any portion of the Grant that is not used for the Project or for charitable purposes.

Term and Extensions

The Grant has the following beginning and end dates (the "Term"):

Grant start date: 06/24/2026
Grant end date: 06/24/2027

If Grantee cannot complete the Project during the Term, Grantee may submit a written request for an extension that explains the need for an extension and includes: (i) the proposed new timeline and end date; and (ii) a description of remaining activities needed to complete the Project. Extensions are made at the Foundation's sole discretion. If there are

remaining Grant funds at the end of the Term, including, if applicable, any Term extension, Grantee agrees to return such funds to the Foundation.

Budget Revision

If necessary, and prior to incurring any new expenses, Grantee may submit a written request detailing any proposed revisions to its budget needed to complete the Project. Project budget revisions are in the Foundation's sole discretion.

Control of Grant Funds

Grantee accepts this Grant for its own account and not as an agent for any other organization. Grantee will not distribute any Grant funds to any other organization.

Tax Status

By accepting the Grant, Grantee confirms that there has been no change to its tax status since submitting its application to the Foundation. In the event there is a change in tax status, Grantee agrees to notify the Foundation as soon as possible. In such event, Grantee agrees that the Foundation may terminate this award and/or require the Grantee to return any unspent Grant funds.

Changes in Key Personnel or Contact Information

Grantee agrees to notify the Foundation of any changes in its contact information, leadership, or key personnel.

Termination of Award

Failure to fulfill the terms of this agreement may result in the termination of the Grant. If the Grant is terminated, the Foundation may require Grantee to return Grant funds.

Grant Payments and Reporting Requirements

After Grantee signs and returns this agreement, the Foundation will pay the Grant via BILL (formerly Bill.com - www.bill.com). Some multi-year projects will involve multiple payments, which will be made upon receipt and the Foundation's approval of the progress report(s) listed below.

A final report is due within 30 days after the end of the Term. If all Grant funds are expended, but the Project is not complete, Grantee will continue to send reports until the Project is complete. In each report, Grantee should describe the Project's status, a description of how the Grant funds were used for the Project, and the Project's impact on the Grantee and community.

Reports should be submitted online through the Foundation's grants login (grants.rasmuson.org). If necessary due to technology barriers, the Grantee may submit a final report via email to grants@rasmuson.org.

Year	Payment Schedule	Reporting Schedule		
		Type	Period	Due Date
2026	\$300,000 Contingent on receipt of signed award document	N/A	N/A	N/A
2027	N/A	Final Report	06/24/2026 – 06/24/2027	07/24/2027
Final Report: Provides Program Officer with data points to monitor overall progress and challenges of the project.				

Grant Review

Grantee will permit representatives of the Foundation to visit Grantee's premises and review Grantee's activities with respect to the Project, and will permit the Foundation, at its own expenses, to conduct an independent financial and/or programmatic audit of the expenditure of the Grant.

On behalf of Rasmuson Foundation, we are pleased to partner with you and appreciate all you do for Alaska.

By:



Date: 06/30/2026

Gretchen Guess
President & CEO

On behalf of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, the above terms and conditions are accepted and agreed to. *Please have an authorized official sign this agreement.*

By: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____