MISSION OF THE LARGE VESSEL HAUL-OUT TASK FORCE



Resolution 14-015: Make recommendations to City Council on a large vessel haul-out & repair facility

- Discuss possibility of such a facility at the Port
- Explore the benefits & challenges
- Review & discuss all facets of a vessel haul-out
 & repair facility
- Provide recommendation no later than October 1, 2014

WHAT THE TASK FORCE HAS BEEN DOING

- Sent survey of interest to vessel owners & fleet managers
- Reviewed repair yard management plans/policies
- Reviewed methods/costs for hauling vessels
- Developed short & long-term goals
- Developed business Performa
- Held 12 public meetings

LARGE VESSEL HAUL- OUT FACILITY

- Local fleet of larger vessels
 - want to stay local for services
- Locally available marine trades
- Great Location

WHY NOT HOMER!



WHO BENEFITS?

- Larger vessels that currently have to travel for services
- Local marine trades people
- Other business owners
- City of Homer







WHERE?

Option 1 – Barge Haul-Out Area (between Fishing Hole & Harbor)

- Gently sloping beach
- Lowest uplands elevation
- Marine Industrial zoning
- Electricity & water available





Option 2 – Concrete Pad & Adjoining Areas

- Large (5 acre, industrial pad)
- Runoff water treatment development would be easer to achieve in this location
- Lot 21 currently set aside for boat lift

WHEN?

<u>A.S.A.P.</u>

- Seven large vessels were hauled out Spring 2014
- Growing list of requests for upcoming Fall 2014



- Multiple projects on the horizon for Cook Inlet
- Revenue opportunities for the community

HOW?

METHODS USED TO HAUL OUT LARGE VESSELS:

- Marine Ways Railway to pull boats out
- Lifts Traveling or Stationary
- Trailers Towed or Self Propelled
- Pneumatic Bags
- Combinations of the above

VESSEL REPAIR YARD MANAGEMENT OPTIONS

- **Open yard**, vessel owners are allowed to work on their own vessels and hire contractors from an approved list of venders.
- Closed yard, vessel owners contract with the repair facility for all repairs, yard employees perform the work
- City managed facility
- Privately managed facility under a long term lease with the city

TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS

- Continue September to May large vessel haul-out at Barge Haul-out Area
- Resolve land use issues to provide for year-round use
- Support the Barge Mooring & Marine Ways CIP's, fund phase 2, design, engineering, and permitting for repair yard uplands improvements
- Develop & advertise an RFP for developing the facility

RFP GOALS

- 1. Haul-out facilities for local and new large vessel customers
- 2. Safe environment for workers to complete maintenance tasks
- 3. Develop environmentally approved full service facilities
- 4. Encourage year round job growth in the marine trades and support industry
- 5. Promote marine trades related, skills/ job training in Lower Peninsula schools and colleges

City does not want to compete with established, privately owned and operated haul-out facilities but instead wants to bring new business into the community. RFP should reflect these goals.