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## Memorandum

### Agenda Changes/Supplemental Packet

TO: MAYOR ZAK AND HOMER CITY COUNCIL  
FROM: MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK  
DATE: MAY 29, 2018  
SUBJECT: AGENDA CHANGES AND SUPPLEMENTAL PACKET

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#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Ordinance 18-29**, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY 2018 Capital Budget by Appropriating up to \$5,200 from the Homer Accelerated Roads and Trails (HART) Fund for the Professional Design of an ADA Accessible Trail on City of Homer property known as Lot 7-A Nils O Svedlund Subdivision, (KPB Parcel #17719234) and Kachemak Heritage Land Trust (KHLT) property known as Lot 16 A-1 Nils O Svedlund Subdivision (KPB Parcel #17719231). Mayor.

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**Resolution 18-053**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Accepting Art Work at Ben Walters Park. City Clerk/PARCAC.

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## INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTER

Promoting choice,  
independence and quality of  
life for persons and families  
living with disability.



## KACHEMAK HERITAGE LAND TRUST

March 24, 2018

Mayor Bryan Zak and Homer City Council,

Kachemak Heritage Land Trust and the Peninsula Independent Living Center are writing in support of ordinance 18-29, to have the city allocate \$5,200 to hire a contractor for trail design and a cost estimate of a Universally Accessible Trail. The proposed trail will utilize KHLT's Poopdeck Platt property and, it is our hope, the adjacent city properties (parcel 17719234) to build a trail that would be usable for people of all abilities making a universally accessible trail that spans from Bishops Beach to Pioneer Avenue. There is not currently an accessible trail that connects the lower half of our town with the upper half.

Universal design is about thinking broadly about the user group. It is an inclusive philosophy that says public spaces should be inherently accessible for all users. It is about everyone having access from when they are babies in strollers, through their active years, and though later years while using walkers and wheelchairs. It is about community.

The benefits from the proposed KHLT and City of Homer Accessible Poopdeck Trail are plentiful. This trail will offer our community a way to step into nature while still being in the middle of town. In the past this area has been used by a transient population who have left litter, so we know this area will be used, let's make sure it is used in a positive way. Finally, this trail will have positive effects on our economy. Visitors to Homer will be able to use this trail. It is the walkable connecting piece between Island's and Oceans, Bishops Beach, Old Town Homer, the new Aspen Hotel, the Library and all the businesses and organization on pioneer such as the Pratt, Art Galleries and restaurants.

We hope to apply for the 2018 Alaska Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant for the construction of the Accessible Poopdeck Trail. In order to do that we need to have funding to complete the trail design and cost estimate this spring. Here is what this timeline would look like.

1. June 2018—Work with trail designers to design the Accessible Poopdeck Trail. (According to Eric Clarke, of State Parks, spring is the best time to design a trail.)
2. RTP Grant Timeline Below:
  - o September 15 – Due date for posting the Public Notice
  - o October 15 – Application due date and the last day for applications to be postmarked
  - o February through March – State Agency Review
  - o March or April of the following year – Tentative announcement of grant awards

3. Have RTP Public Notice completed by the September 15th date.
4. Submit the RTP grant by October 15th deadline.
5. Hopefully receive funds and complete trail construction in 2019.

In addition, we will seek funding from Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation and other sources that will likely fund universally accessible trails.

Thank you for your consideration of this project. It is our hope that it will serve our community well.

Respectfully,



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**From:** Kathy Hill  
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If the following could be sent out to the council members. Thank you.

Regarding the proposed mural... this is a good idea. However, no one has contacted Rotary yet and we would like some input on this.

Kathy Hill  
Rotary member

Sent from my iPad

