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MEMORANDUM

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TO:

HOMER CITY COUNCIL & WALT WREDE, CITY MANAGER

FROM:

BRYAN HAWKINS, PORT DIRECTOR/HARBORMASTER

SUBJECT:

DEEP WATER DOCK SECURITY GATE & ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM

DATE:

JUNE 22, 2011

Background

City of Homer's Port and Harbor was awarded a Department of Homeland Security grant for engineering and construction of a security gate, cameras, lighting, and access control system for the Deep Water Dock July, 14 2009. The grant totaled \$143,002.00; of which \$107,252.00 are federal funds and \$35,750.00 will be local or non-federal match. This system will include a 30' clear roll-a-way gate, security fencing that maintains this 30' wide opening out to the trestle, lighting, security cameras, and a card reader control panel. The gate will be built just off the trestle approach so as not to interfere with future expansion projects.

The staff estimated engineering costs at \$11,400.00 in the original grant, but costs have come in closer to \$20,000.00. We estimate that there could be an overrun of as much as \$10,000 for the completion of this project.

City of Homer Port & Harbor applied for a waiver of the local match requirement on January, 26, 2010. We have kept in regular contact with DHS to oversee the status of this request. We believe that there is a reasonable chance the waiver will be approved.

Recommendation

Approve the contract to Puffin Electric in the amount of \$130,800.00 so that construction of this much needed improvement can begin as soon as possible. Further, we recommend that City Council direct staff to bring an ordinance to the July City Council meeting appropriating the balance of funding from the Port and Harbor Reserves that's needed to complete the Deep Water Dock Security Gate project.