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Memorandum 19-029

TO: Katie Koester, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Homer Barge Mooring/Large Vessel Haul-Out Repair Facility
Request for final Design Funds – Barge Mooring Facility

The main impetus of this project was to have it eligible for federal Infrastructure funding, expected to be authorized by Congress for transportation related projects. The City utilized a State Legislative Grant to initiate the design of the proposed Homer Barge Mooring/Large Vessel Haul-Out Repair facility. These funds completed the design to a 65% level (including design, cost estimating and environmental permitting). The need for additional funds to complete final design was always anticipated.

The City's #2 Capital Improvement Legislative Priority Request is currently the Homer Barge Mooring/Large Vessel Haul-Out Repair Facility. See attached CIP project description.

In 2018, the name of this project was submitted to various federal and state agencies as a potential transportation related project, with the promise that the project would be "shovel ready" by the time the infrastructure bill was passed.

Congress has not authorized any transportation infrastructure funding to date, but there seems to be bi-partisan support for the concept of an infrastructure bill.

Construction of this entire project is estimated to cost \$4.7M; with the final design of the entire project estimated to be approximately \$178,400. The final design of the first phase of construction (the Barge Mooring facility portion) is estimated to be \$42,646.

Due to the current economic environment and our inability to identify construction funding for the entire project, staff suggests that only the final design of the Barge Mooring portion of the project be completed at this time (consistent with the Capital Improvement Plan) to create a shovel ready project.

Recommendation: The Council authorize additional design funds from the Harbor Reserve Fund to prepare this project for potential federal infrastructure funding.

