

## Lieutenant Governor Kevin Meyer STATE OF ALASKA

July 30, 2020

Mayor Ken Castner City of Homer PO Box 558 Homer, AK 99603

## 2024 Arctic Winter Games – Alaska Hosting

Dear Mayor Castner,

The State of Alaska is scheduled to host the Arctic Winter Games in March of 2024. As the premier multi-sport and cultural event for youth across the circumpolar world, the Arctic Winter Games International Committee is now in a position to begin the host site bid selection process. Accordingly, we are asking interested communities to submit an 'Expression of Interest to Host" no later than September 10, 2020. Letters are to be submitted to:

Lt. Governor Kevin Meyer 550 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1700 Anchorage, AK., 99501

Each community expressing an interest in bidding will then be invited to an information/planning session, either in person or by virtual meeting hosted by the AWGIC. Following that session, the interested communities will be required to submit a formal bid package, by November 30, 2020, prepared in accordance with the attached Bid Manual.

Bid packages are to be submitted electronically to the President of the AWGIC and the Operations Coordinator to dlandry@arcticwintergames.org, (emailed, OneDrive or other shared media). Once received, the International Committee reviews the bids, visits the communities if necessary, and selects a host site.

- Information Session for interested communities to be held Mid-September 2020;
- Bids submitted and received by the Arctic Winter Games International Committee by November 30, 2020;
- International Committee Directors will do site selection tour of bidding communities in January or February of 2021, if required.
- Successful bidder and selected hosting community for the 2024 Games formally announced in March 2021.

Further details on hosting an Arctic Winter Games can be found in the Staging Manual available on the International Committee website (<a href="www.arcticwintergames.org">www.arcticwintergames.org</a>). Questions may be directed to the AWGIC Operations Coordinator at <a href="mailto:dlandry@arcticwintergames.org">dlandry@arcticwintergames.org</a>.

Both Arctic Winter Games International Committee Alaska directors, are also available to answer questions:

Mr. John Rodda, Vice President/Treasurer of the AWGIC by email at <u>johnawg@gmail.com</u> or by telephone at 907-317-7436.

And Mr. John Estle by email at <a href="mailto:sportalaska@gci.net">sportalaska@gci.net</a>.

Sincerely,

Kevin Meyer

Lieutenant Governor

Kin Mega

State of Alaska

Attachment: Bid Manual

cc: AWGIC Directors via dlandry@arcticwintergames.org