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Memorandum 21-033

TO: Mayor Castner and Homer City Council

Through: Robert Dumouchel, City Manager

FROM: Janette Keiser, PE, Director of Public Works/Acting City Engineer

DATE: February 8, 2021

SUBJECT: Tasmania Court Water Assessment District – Opportunity for Betterment

Issue: The design for the Tasmania Court Water Improvement Project is complete. We have an opportunity to add a betterment to this project, which would benefit the broader community.

Background:

A. Water Main Extension.

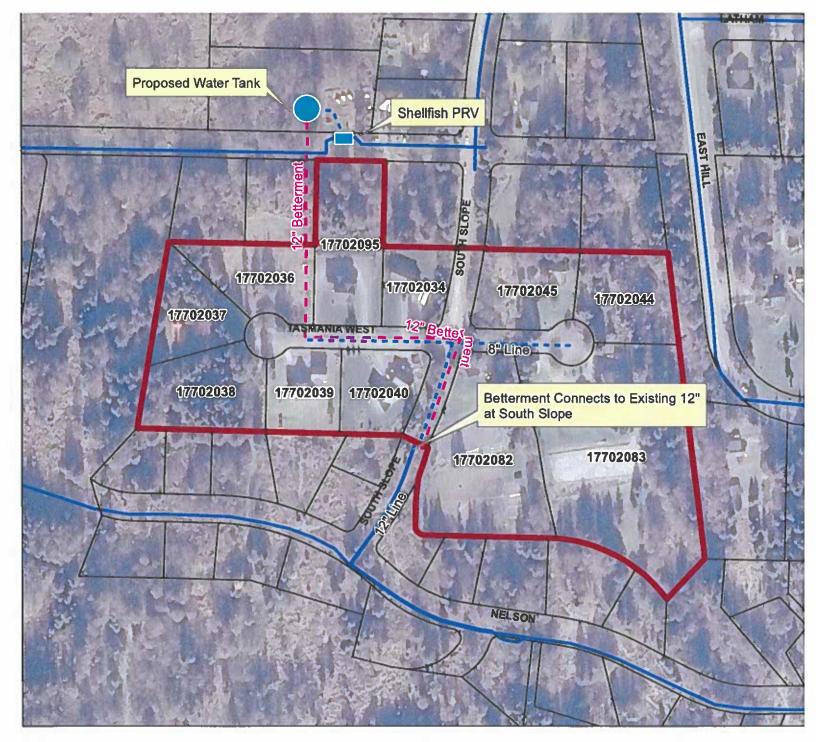
The City Council, via Ordinance 20-68, dated October 26, 2020, appropriated \$234,105 for the design and construction of a water main extension on Tasmania Court, in conjunction with the Special Assessment District created by Ordinance 20-083. The total expected project cost for the water project is \$165,919.

In 2014-2015, the City received a matching grant from the AK Dept of Environmental Conservation to design a new water storage tank to replace the A-Frame Water Storage Tank, which was demolished. In addition to replacing the demolished tank, the new tank would add water tank capacity, bringing the total capacity to 2,900,000 million gallons. The need for additional storage volumes was outlined in the City's 2006 Homer Water and Sewer Master Plan.

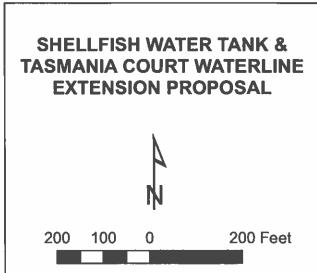
Further, property was acquired for this tank and some of the main extension to reach it has been installed. An interesting feature of this tank is that the pipes feeding it would be equipped with an in-line hydroelectric generator that would feed the pumps that maintain pressure in this part of the system.

We have an opportunity to build another segment of the mains leading to this tank, as part of the Tasmania Water Special Assessment District. This would be a betterment to the project, the costs of which would not be added to the Assessment Roll. The estimated cost for the design/construction of the betterment is \$88,569.

Recommendation: That the City Council appropriate \$88,569 from the HAWSP Fund to design and construction a water main extension to serve the future Shellfish Water Storage Tank, as a betterment to the Tasmania Court Water.









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	HAWSP -
	Spent or
	obligated
Fund Balance thru 3/31	\$2,437,693
Tasmania Court Water Improvement	\$234,105
Alder Lane Water Improvement	\$253,193
Fund Balance Remaining	\$1,950,395

