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MEMORANDUM 21-116

To: Mayor Castner and Homer City Council
Through: Rob Dumouchel, City Manager
From: Janette Keiser, PE, Public Works Director
Date: June 17, 2021
Subject: **Award of Construction Contract for
Woodard Creek Culvert Replacement Project**

Issue: The purpose of this memorandum is to recommend award of a contract to Qayak Construction, LLC.

Background: On June 15, 2021, bids were received for the above referenced project. Competitive bidding was completed in accordance with the City's procurement regulations. The project was advertised the Homer News on May 13th and 20th and in the Peninsula Clarion on May 13th as well as sent to two in-state plan rooms and posted on the City of Homer website.

Two responsive bids were received:

Qayaq Construction, LLC	\$324,997
Jim Psenak Construction LLC	\$448,895

We have reviewed the experience and qualifications of Quayak Construction, LLC and find that, while this firm is only two years old, it comes with the resources to satisfactorily complete the work. In particular, we found:

- The firm's parent company is Ukpeaġvik Inupiat Corporation, an Alaska Native Corporation, which has annual revenue of over \$500 million, over 3,500 employees and over \$2 billion in backlog.
- The firm is currently working on the Homer Solid Waste Facility, which is scheduled for completion on July 15, 2021. Client Kenai Peninsula Borough reports that Qayaq is doing a fine job – on time and within budget
- The personnel assigned to the project are experienced with heavy civil construction.



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Budget:

Council Appropriations:		\$463,353.33
Less: Survey	\$ 2,000	
Design	\$37,755	
Arch culvert Materials	<u>\$41,095</u>	
Expended to Date		<u>\$ 80,850</u>
Current Balance:		\$382,503
Less: Construction Bid		<u>\$324,997</u>
Contingency		\$57,506.33

Recommendation: That the City Council pass a resolution awarding the construction contract for the Woodard Creek Culvert Replacement Project in the amount of \$324,997 and authorizing the City Manager to execute all appropriate documents necessary to complete this project.