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## **MEMORANDUM 21-158**

To: Mayor Castner and Homer City Council

Through: Rob Dumouchel, City Manager

From: Janette Keiser, PE, Public Works Director

Date: August 26, 2021

Subject: Easement related to Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facility's

(AKDOT/PF) Sterling Highway MP 157-169 Project

**Issue:** The purpose of this memorandum is to recommend conveying an easement to the AK DOT/PF's Sterling Highway project, between MP 157-169.

**Background:** The AK DOT/PF is reconstructing portions of the Sterling Highway between Anchor Point and Baycrest Hill. According to the project proponents, the project "will include new roadway pavement, additional shoulder width, the addition of passing lanes/climbing lanes, replacement of bridges and culverts, and stabilization of streambeds to restore the structural integrity, increase safety, reduce congestion and improve traffic efficiency through the corridor."

The City owns a 33-acre parcel, located at MP 168 on the Sterling Highway. The AK DOT/PF requires an easement, comprising 601 square feet of this parcel, and identified as Parcel E-16C. The agency has offered \$1000 as Just Compensation for the acquisition of the easement.

We have reviewed the agency's request and determined that granting this easement will not impede the City's current or future uses of the parcel.

## **Recommendation:**

City Council authorize the City Manager to execute documents related to the conveyance of Parcel E-16C to the AK DOT/PF.