



# MEMORANDUM

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**Ordinance 23-34, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Capital Budget by Appropriating an Additional \$26,383 from the Port Reserve Fund to Complete Work on the Rebuild of Crane #7 on Homer Fish Dock. City Manager/Port Director.**

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**Prepared For:** Mayor Castner and Homer City Council  
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**From:** Bryan Hawkins, Port Director  
**Through:** Rob Dumouchel, City Manager

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In the fall of 2022, ordinances 22-65 and 22-66 were brought to council and funding approved for the maintenance rebuild of Crane #7 on the public fish dock. The age of crane #7, the hours logged on the crane, the Port and Harbor maintenance schedule, and the crane's maintenance log all confirmed that it was overdue for maintenance. A contract for the work was awarded to Great Northern Hydraulics, LLC, based on their bid, for an amount of \$140,000. Half of this cost was offset by using 2022 Commercial Passenger Vessel Tax grant revenues and half was covered by the Port reserves.

We anticipated that the rebuild would take a minimum of two months, and communicated to Great Northern Hydraulics that it was necessary that this work be completed during the winter maintenance season as the fishing fleet heavily utilize these cranes during the fishing season, generally set to start in March.

During the course of the rebuild Great Northern Hydraulics discovered cracks and stress damage to the turret and boom cylinders that required specialized certified welding and machining (line boring), which had to be outsourced to a machine shop. Great Northern Hydraulics completed the work, even with the unexpected extra damage, and delivered a fully functional crane 7 back to the dock in time for use during this year's fishing season. However, the unexpected damage and resulting repairs put us \$26,382.10 over the budgeted amount.



**Recommendation**

Council approval of Ordinance 23-34 appropriating \$26,383 from the Port Reserve fund to complete the rebuild of Crane #7 project and authorize the City manager to execute the appropriate documents

**Fiscal Notes:**

Additional \$26,383 to be allocated from port reserve fund 456-0380

**Attachments:**

Ordinance 23-34  
Great Northern Hydraulics Quote  
Financial Supplement