



MEMORANDUM

Ordinance 23-46, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY24 Capital Budget by Accepting and Appropriating a Sub-Recipient Grant from the University of Alaska Anchorage in the Amount of \$1,171,410 for the Kachemak Sponge Green Infrastructure Storm Water Treatment System. City Manager/Public Works Director.

Item Type: Backup Memorandum
Prepared For: Mayor Castner and Homer City Council
Date: July 18, 2023
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Ordinance 23-46 authorizes the City to accept and appropriate grant funds and for the City Manager to execute the grant agreement. Acquiring lands with federal funds is complex and this green infrastructure partnership is a first in Alaska and for NOAA. Over the past month, staff has been working diligently with the City Attorney, local Kachemak Bay Research Reserve, University of Alaska and NOAA staff to work through the finer points of the land transactions. Some of the City's questions are still unresolved and more time is needed for NOAA to respond. Staff requests a postponement to the August 14th meeting to complete legal and financial due diligence to ensure the success of this grant agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Postpone Ordinance 23-46 to August 14, 2023
Informational Only.