



MEMORANDUM

Ordinance 23-54, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY24 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$15,000 from the Port Reserves Fund for Repair of the Deep Water Dock Sink Hole. City Manager/Port Director.

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This July staff noticed a hole showing up next to the approach to the Deep Water Dock. When we investigated we found that erosion had occurred from under the approach that led from where the dock trestle transitions to shore. We could actually see daylight all the way through to the road surface. Upon discovering the damage we immediately closed off one lane of the trestle so as to keep the dock schedule open. We then reached out to the City manager, and also to Public Works and HDR engineering (one of the current engineering firms under city contract), and at their advice rented a large 1" steel plate to span over the damage so as to accommodate trucks and crane movement as we worked toward a better solution. The city manager agreed to utilize the FY24 budget for Deep Water Dock annual maintenance line item to address the repairs, due to the emergent nature of the need, with a thought that it could maybe better be represented/accounted for with Port Reserve funds as things resolved.



Working with Public Works and HDR we came up with a plan for what we hope will be a permanent solution. The affected area was excavated out. It was then built back with concrete blocks and heavy road fabric and re-enforced with concrete. The next step will be to asphalt and seal the surface. That will complete the necessary immediate repair and bring the Deep Water Dock approach up to full operational status.



The cost total for all the invoices to date for this project is \$10,960. The anticipated cost of the asphaltting and sealing is approximately \$2,250. Currently, these costs are being coded to the budget for Deep water dock annual maintenance because of the exigent circumstances. However, due to the one time nature of the repair I believe it would be better represented if we used the Port Reserves Fund set up for projects like this one. Ordinance 23-xx addresses this and we're requesting that City Council approve an allocation of \$13,300 to fund the deep water dock sink hole repair instead of the annual deep water dock maintenance line item in the operating budget to help Finance keep an accurate picture to help with future budget planning.

Recommendation

Approval of **Ordinance 23-xx** appropriating \$13,300 from the port reserves to fund the repair of the Deep Water Dock and authorize the City Manager to execute the appropriate documents.