



# MEMORANDUM

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**Resolution 24-014, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Approving Issuance of at Term Contract to Alaska Harbors Consulting, LLC for Marine Engineering and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Manager/Port Director.**

**Item Type:** Backup Memorandum  
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**Through:** Rob Dumouchel, City Manager

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The purpose of this Memorandum is to request approval to issue a Term Contract to Alaska Harbors Consulting, LLC, for Marine Engineering Services.

- I. **Background:** Kim Nielsen, the owner of Alaska Harbors Consulting LLC, has previous experience working for R&M Consulting and has been involved in numerous waterfront engineering projects for Homer Harbor throughout the years. Although Kim retired from R&M last year, she agreed to return on a part-time basis to assist in completing a few ongoing projects that R&M had with the city. After successfully providing the engineering support required for our Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) grant application, Ms. Nielsen decided to establish her own small business specializing in engineering services for port and harbor projects. Given her extensive knowledge of Homer's Port and harbor, as well as our recent endeavors to secure Federal infrastructure grant funding for our harbor float replacement needs, maintaining a relationship with Ms. Nielsen would greatly benefit the city.
  
- II. **RECOMMENDATIONS:** That the City Council approves the issuance of a Term Contract to Alaska Harbors Consulting LLC, for Marine Engineering Support Services.