

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Homer****Federal Tax ID: 92-0030963****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Homer - Harbor Sheet Pile Loading Dock

State Funding Requested: \$350,000**House District: Kenai Areawide (28-30)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

This project will construct a sheet pile pier on the east side of the Homer Small Boat Harbor for the loading and unloading of heavy freight.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$800,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$80,000)
FY2015 State Funding Request:	(\$350,000)
Project Deficit:	\$370,000

Funding Details:

City of Homer has pledged a 10% match in the amount of \$80,000 in their FY2015 Capital Improvement Plan.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

This project will construct a sheet pile loading pier between the existing barge ramp and the fuel dock on the east side of the Small Boat Harbor. It is estimated that the dock will be 225 feet long and dredged to -17 feet. This dock would be used to transfer heavy loads by crane onto barges and landing crafts. It would also serve as mooring for large shallow-draft vessels that are now mooring on the System 5 float. The project will stimulate the shipping and freight sectors of the local economy, creating jobs and providing revenues for Port & Harbor operations.

This project was first identified as a need at the time the State of Alaska transferred ownership of the harbor to the City of Homer in 1999. However, it was dropped from the TORA harbor improvement project list because it was not a repair or replacement item but rather a completely new facility.

Project Timeline:

2014 - Design and Construction.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

City of Homer

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

Name:	Walt Wrede
Title:	City Manager
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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No

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3. Harbor Sheet Pile Loading Dock

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Total Project Cost: \$800,000
2014 (Design and Construction)

FY2015 State Request: \$720,000
(City of Homer 10% Match: \$80,000)



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**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

Mayor/City Council

RESOLUTION 13-087(A)

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE
2014-2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND ESTABLISHING
CAPITAL PROJECT LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR
2015.

WHEREAS, Duly published hearings were held on August 26 and September 9, 2013 in order to obtain public comments on capital improvement projects and legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, The Council received comments from all of the Commissions and held an all day Worksession on August 17, 2013; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the City Council to provide the Governor, the State Legislature, State agencies, the Alaska Congressional Delegation, and other potential funding sources with adequate information regarding the City's capital project funding needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Homer, Alaska, that the "City of Homer Capital Improvement Plan 2014-2019" is hereby adopted as the official 6-year capital improvement plan for the City of Homer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following capital improvement projects are identified as priorities for the FY 2015 State Legislative Request:

1. Water Storage/Distribution Improvements
2. Public Safety Building
3. Harbor Sheet Pile Loading Dock
4. Fire Department Equipment Upgrades
5. East to West Transportation Corridor


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that projects for the FY 2015 Federal Legislative Request will be:

1. Deep Water/Cruise Ship Dock Expansion, Phase 1
2. East Boat Harbor

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby instructed to advise the appropriate State and Federal representatives and personnel of the City's FY 2015 capital project priorities and take appropriate steps to provide necessary background information.

45 PASSED AND ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council for the City of
46 Homer on this 9th day of September, 2013.

47 CITY OF HOMER

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51 MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR

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57 JO JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

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59 Fiscal Note: N/A
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Memorandum

TO: Alaska State Legislature

FROM: Bryan Hawkins, Port and Harbor Director, City of Homer

DATE: February 1, 2014

SUBJECT: Benefits of FY15 CIP Request Harbor Sheet Pile Loading Dock - \$720,000

This project will be a great benefit to the Port and Harbor and marine industries in Homer by creating more loading and unloading options in the Homer Harbor. It will generate commerce, economic opportunity and jobs. Specific benefits are noted as follows:

- This project will add 200 feet of loading/unloading dock space inside Homer's protected harbor.
- The proposed sheet pile dock location is an overslope development project that will take advantage of underutilized space along the harbor bank.
- Additional dock space will increase the ability to load and unload freight in the harbor. Currently smaller vessels load freight at the fish dock which this often causes congestion with other users (commercial fishing vessels). Avoiding this traffic jam by directing freight vessels to another facility will free up space for the movement of fish and freight.
- Heavy lifts could be performed at the sheet pile location using local certified cranes. The current infrastructure cannot handle heavy lifts which limits the type and amount of freight that can be transferred in Homer.
- During peak use, commercial salmon offloads could be conducted at the sheet pile dock, taking pressure off the fish dock location.
- Intercostal freight in Alaska is big business. The existing barge ramp in the harbor is at capacity. Additional infrastructure is needed to support increased demand.