

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Palmer****Federal Tax ID: 92-6000194****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

## Palmer - Public Safety Projects

**State Funding Requested: \$780,000****House District: Mat-Su Areawide (13-16)**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

This project consists of three small projects within the Department of Public Safety:  
Fire Tanker Replacement, Replacement of Fire Station 3-1 Roof, and Boiler Replacement

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$780,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$780,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:*

*The State of Alaska has not provided previous funding for this project bundle.*

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Public Safety smaller projects included in this bundle are as follow:

1.

Fire Tanker Replacement (\$450,000)

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2.

Replacement of Fire Station 3-1 Roof (\$285,000)

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3.

Public Safety Boiler Replacement (\$45,000)

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the facility occupied by the Alaska State Troopers, who lease this City facility. The adjacent Public Safety Police Building boiler (occupied by Palmer Police and Mat-Su Pre-Trial Intake center) failed in the summer of 2011 and was replaced. Potential for failure of the boiler on the Alaska State Troopers side of the facility would negatively impact State Trooper operations in the building. A new boiler will be energy efficient, saving the City money in maintenance and fuel costs.

**Project Timeline:**

If this project receives legislative funding, design work would begin upon funding notification in 2012, with construction to commence in the summer of 2013.

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

City of Palmer

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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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

Introduced by: City Manager Griffin  
Date: October 25, 2011  
Action: Adopted  
Vote: 6-1

Yes:	No:
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DeVries	
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CITY OF PALMER, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 11-025 (SUBSTITUTE)

A RESOLUTION OF THE PALMER CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING THE ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE INCLUDE THE CITY'S ADOPTED CAPITAL PROJECTS IN THE 2012 STATE CAPITAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, it is the City of Palmer's desire to provide the State with a comprehensive and complete list of the City's capital project needs to ensure efficient expenditure of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted a substantial public process in 2011, including a project fair held on May 23, 2011, to allow public review and input on proposed capital projects; and

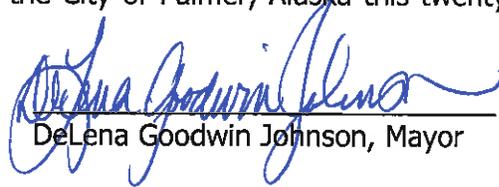
WHEREAS, the City has conducted a thorough analysis of its capital needs to better serve the citizens of Palmer and has determined that projects listed as priority 1-10 and 12 and 13 are critical infrastructure projects necessary to improve public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified the projects listed as priority 11 as critical infrastructure necessary to improve the quality of life, the health, and the economic prosperity of the citizens of Palmer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Palmer City Council respectfully requests the Alaska State Legislature include the following Palmer projects in the following priority in the 2012 State Capital Budget.

Item		Total Amount Requested
<b>Priority 1</b>	Sherrod Area Steel Water Main Replacement Project	\$ 2,800,000
<b>Priority 2</b>	Public Safety Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Tanker Replacement \$ 450,000</li> <li>• Replacement of Fire Station 3-1 Roof \$ 285,000</li> <li>• Public Safety Boiler Replacement \$ 45,000</li> </ul>	\$ 780,000
<b>Priority 3</b>	City Facilities Improvements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City Hall Renovations and Boiler Replacement \$ 112,000</li> <li>• Public Works Shop Boiler Replacement \$ 55,000</li> <li>• Public Works HVAC System Installation \$ 151,000</li> </ul>	\$ 318,000
<b>Priority 4</b>	Waste Water Treatment Plant Master Plan	\$ 70,000
<b>Priority 5</b>	MTA Events Center Expansion Phase 2	\$ 500,000
<b>Priority 6</b>	Storm Water Improvement Master Plan	\$ 115,000
<b>Priority 7</b>	North Denali and East Eagle Water Main Tie-In	\$ 252,000
<b>Priority 8</b>	Paving Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roadway Resurfacing on South Valley Way \$ 128,000</li> <li>• City Office Paved Parking Project \$ 380,000</li> </ul>	\$ 508,000
<b>Priority 9</b>	Wayfinding and Streetscapes Planning Phase 1	\$ 45,000
<b>Priority 10</b>	ADA Sidewalk Compliance	\$ 100,000
<b>Priority 11</b>	City Parks Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Palmer Bicycle Pump Track \$ 44,000</li> <li>• Walk to the Fair Revisited \$ 300,000</li> <li>• Wilson Park Development \$ 100,000</li> <li>• McKechnie Park Upgrades \$ 80,000</li> <li>• Construction of New Trail Connections \$ 100,000</li> <li>• Construction of Sport Court Basketball Court \$ 46,500</li> <li>• Construction of Teen Park \$ 78,250</li> </ul>	\$ 748,750
<b>Priority 12</b>	Central Water Meter Read System	\$ 500,000
<b>Priority 13</b>	Purchase Property Adjacent to the Palmer Waste Water Treatment Plant for Future Treatment Plant Expansion	\$ 2,500,000

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Palmer, Alaska this twenty-fifth day of October, 2011.

  
DeLena Goodwin Johnson, Mayor

  
Janette M. Bower, MMC, City Clerk

## Priority 2:

### Public Safety Projects

Impact: Life, Health and Safety, Critical Infrastructure, Quality of Life



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### **Total Project Cost for Public Safety Projects: \$780,000**

**State Request: \$780,000**

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