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**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2019-061**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE TSALTESHI TRAILS
ASSOCIATION TO SECURE A 2020 RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT FROM THE
STATE OF ALASKA**

- WHEREAS,** the Tsalteshi Trails Association (TTA) leases borough lands adjacent to Skyview Middle School; and
- WHEREAS,** Ordinance 2017-08 authorized additional acres to TTA for trail expansion through a 20 year “Community Trail Management Agreement”: KPB 17.10.185
- WHEREAS,** TTA has constructed ski trails, snowshoe and singletrack trails in accordance with approved Kenai Peninsula Borough Development plans; and
- WHEREAS,** The trails nearest Skyview Middle School are constructed in a clay soils that do not drain well, frost heave in the winter and are impassable for a long period during break-up; and
- WHEREAS,** it is necessary to raise the surface and harden the tread of certain trails to make them safer and available during more months of the year; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tsalteshi Trails system provides valuable outdoor year-round recreation opportunities for Kenai Peninsula residents; and
- WHEREAS,** the ability for TTA to maintain and properly provide safe "user friendly" trails is a standard that has been established; and
- WHEREAS,** the TTA trail system provides centrally located trails within woodland surroundings and together with its contagious popularity, it encourages healthy activities for all ages; and
- WHEREAS,** TTA is applying for a two-year Recreational Trails Grant from the State of Alaska to resurface, raise and regrade approximately 4 miles of trails at Tsalteshi (within the existing trail footprint), resurface the trailhead parking lot on Kalifornsky Beach road, and add additional signage to the new bike trails; and
- WHEREAS,** the Recreational Trails Grant Program is administered by Alaska State Parks, but the funds come from Federal Highways and the funding is already committed by the federal government for 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly has previously supported TTA's efforts in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017 and 2018 to secure Alaska State Recreational Trails Grants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the Assembly supports the efforts of the Tsalteshi Trails Association to secure a 2020 Alaska State Recreational Trails Grant from the State of Alaska.

SECTION 2. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.

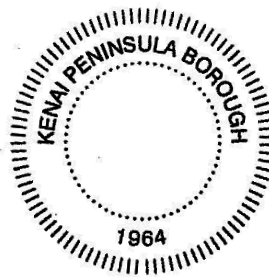


Kelly Cooper, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Jonni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bjorkman, Blakeley, Carpenter, Cox, Dunne, Hibbert, Johnson, Smalley, Cooper
No: None
Absent: None