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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)

Grant Recipient: Wrangell Federal Tax ID: 92-6000144

Project Title: Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

Wrangell - Wood Street Construction and Utility Improvements

State Funding Requested: \$1,000,000 House District: 2 / A

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Wood Street road and utility improvements, and upgrades to improve access to the Wrangell Medical Campus.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost: \$1,000,000
Funding Already Secured: (\$0)
FY2013 State Funding Request: (\$1,000,000)
Project Deficit: \$0

Funding Details:

In 2011-12, the City and Borough of Wrangell was told that we would be receiving funding for this project from the Denali Commission. To date, we have not received word from the Denali Commission regarding this funding.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The City and Borough of Wrangell are in the process of developing a medical campus in Wrangell. The Medical Campus will include the Alaska Island Community Services (AICS) Medical Clinic, a recent recipient of a \$3.7 million grant being administered by HRSA that is to be constructed within two years, as well as a new Wrangell Medical Center Hospital and Long Term Care Facility.

The property for both has been donated and provided by the City and Borough of Wrangell. Development of the 28 acre site will allow all medical care to be located on one property in our island community, benefiting the patient and the taxpayer. As mentioned earlier, AICS has secured funding for their facility and funding for the Wrangell Medical Center and Long Term Care Facility is 90% secured with the remaining 10% to be obtained through grant funds.

There are necessary road improvements, as well as utility improvements and upgrades needed to allow for the best and safest access to the site. The road to access the property is gravel and narrow which would need to be widened, and upgraded with pedestrian access and stormwater improvements. Electrical utilities in the area would need to be enhanced and upgraded in order to serve both facilities.

Receipt of both federal and state funding for the road and utility improvements would allow for those improvements to occur in concert with the construction of the AICS Medical Clinic and would prevent any delay in its opening and/or operations due to the needed road and utility improvements.

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Road construction of Wood Street would need to be completed within 1 year, the timeframe for the grant award to AICS by the federal government.

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

City and Borough of Wrangell

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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