

**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: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

# Palmer - Waste Water Treatment Plant Property Acquisition

**State Funding Requested: \$2,500,000****House District: Mat-Su Areawide (13-16)**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

Purchase of land to address extra capacity now needed at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost: \$2,500,000

Funding Already Secured: (\$0)

FY2013 State Funding Request: (\$2,500,000)

Project Deficit: \$0

*Funding Details:**this is a one- time request, and has not been previously funded by the State.***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

As the Mat-Su Valley grows, additional capacity is required at our Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP). Discharge compliance issues may necessitate building a 'constructed wetland' as a treatment method. This would require additional land area.

Future expansion of the WWTP also requires additional land near the existing plant. This land decision will best be addressed after the waste water treatment plant master plan has been developed and after more discussion of a regional treatment plant.

**Project Timeline:**

If this project receives legislative funding, the purchase process will begin upon funding notification in 2012. The City would like to complete this matter within two (2) years.

**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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## 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

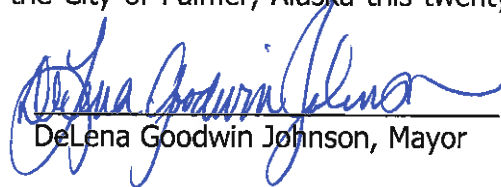
WHEREAS, the City has conducted a thorough analysis of its capital needs to better serve the citizens of Palmer and has determined that projects listed as priority 1-10 and 12 and 13 are critical infrastructure projects necessary to improve public health and safety; and

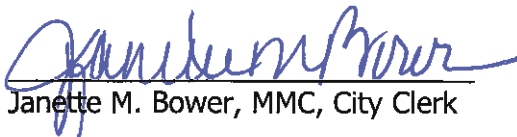
WHEREAS, the City has identified the projects listed as priority 11 as critical infrastructure necessary to improve the quality of life, the health, and the economic prosperity of the citizens of Palmer.

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 13:

#### Purchase Property Adjacent to Palmer Waste Water Treatment Plant

Impact: Life, Health and Safety, Critical Infrastructure, Energy Efficiency, Environmental Responsibility



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**Project Cost: \$2,500,000**

**State Request: \$2,500,000**

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