

**CITY OF CRAIG
RESOLUTION 14-01**

**SUPPORTING THE COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT-HUMAN SERVICES
TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND TO BE
SUBMITTED TO THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES.**

WHEREAS, Prince of Wales Island residents with specialized transportation needs have right to mobility. Individuals with limited incomes and people with disabilities rely heavily, sometimes exclusively, on public and specialized transportation services to live independent and fulfilling lives. These services are essential for travel to work and medical appointments, to run essential errands, or simply to take advantage of social or cultural opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, under SAFETEA-LU projects funded by three Federal Transit Administration (FTA) human services transportation programs: Elderly and persons with Disabilities (Section 5310), Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC, Section 5316), and New Freedom (Section 5317) must be derived from a "locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan." Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities also includes funds from the Alaska Mental Health Trust in the application process; and,

WHEREAS, the JARC program provides capital and operating funding for services to improve access to jobs for low income persons; and,

WHEREAS, the New Freedom program provides capital and operating funding for transit and paratransit services and improvements for persons with disabilities that are new and go beyond those required by the American with Disabilities Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Elderly and persons with Disabilities program provides capital assistance funding to provide transit and purchase of services to private nonprofit agencies, federally recognized tribes, and to qualifying local public bodies that provide specialized transportation services to elderly persons and to persons with disabilities; and,

WHEREAS, Alaska Mental Health Trust provides grants to private non-profit agencies, federally recognized tribes, and to qualifying local public bodies that serve community transit needs of trust beneficiaries, namely Alaskans who experience mental illness; developmental disabilities; chronic alcoholism with psychosis; or Alzheimer's disease and related dementia through funding for purchase of services, capital and coordinated transportation system planning; and,

WHEREAS, a local committee with representation from public, private and nonprofit transportation providers, and human service agencies including the City of Craig, Southeast Senior Services, Craig Tribal Association, Organized Village of Kasaan, Community Connections, and the Inter-Island Ferry Authority, and a member of the

public, including or representing individuals with disabilities, older adults, and people with low-incomes met on January 9, 2014; and,

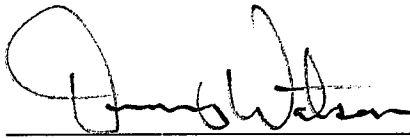
WHEREAS, the local committee voted unanimously to list as its top priority the Purchase of Services for Hollis Transport Project, with Southeast Senior Services as the lead agency, and as its second priority the Deviated Fixed Route for General Public Transit Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CRAIG CITY COUNCIL:

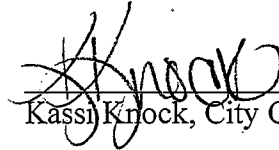
SECTION 1. That the Craig City Council supports the local committee's Coordinated Plan.

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

ADOPTED BY THE CRAIG CITY COUNCIL THIS SIXTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 2014.



Mayor Dennis Watson



Kassi Knock, City Clerk