

Introduced By: Mayor  
Date: December 12, 2018  
Action: Adopted  
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

CITY OF SOLDOTNA  
RESOLUTION 2018-047

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE ALASKA GASLINE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S SELECTION OF NIKISKI, ALASKA AS THE TERMINUS OF THE ALASKA LNG PROJECT, AND LOCATION OF A LIQUEFACTION PLANT AND MARINE TERMINAL

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WHEREAS, the history of Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) dates to 2009 when declining Cook Inlet gas supplies caused concern in communities throughout Southcentral Alaska; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 the Alaska State Legislature formally established AGDC to advance an in-state natural gas pipeline; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the mission and authority of AGDC expanded to include having primary responsibility for developing an Alaska liquefied natural gas (LNG) project on the State's behalf; and

WHEREAS, in April 2014 AGDC joined with ExxonMobil, BP, and ConocoPhillips to become a twenty-five (25) percent owner in the AK LNG Project; and

WHEREAS, in December 2016 AGDC assumed one hundred (100) percent of the responsibility to progress an Alaska LNG project to build the infrastructure necessary to monetize North Slope natural gas resources; and

WHEREAS, in April 2017 AGDC filed its application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to construct and operate the Alaska LNG project; and

WHEREAS, the application submitted to FERC identifies Nikiski, Alaska, as the preferred location for the LNG plant and marine terminal; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska LNG project will bring great benefits to the people of Alaska in revenues to the state and municipalities, guaranteed supplies of gas for in-state use, jobs for Alaskans and Alaska business through construction and operation, and continued in-state exploration for natural gas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLDOTNA, ALASKA:

Section 1. That the City Council of Soldotna, Alaska, supports AGDC's application to FERC with the siting of the LNG plant and marine terminal in Nikiski, Alaska.

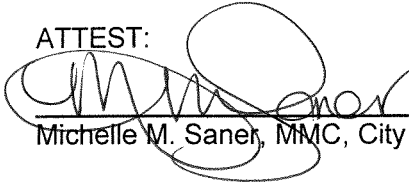
Section 2. That copies of this resolution be sent to U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan, U.S. Congressman Don Young, Alaska Governor Mike Dunleavy, Alaska Senator Peter Micciche, Alaska Representative Gary Knopp, and Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor Charlie Pierce.

Section 3. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 12TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.

  
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Neils Anderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Michelle M. Sauer, MMC, City Clerk

Yes: Ruffridge, Cox, Cashman, Chilson, Whitney  
No: None  
Absent: Parker



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
**FROM:** STEPHANIE QUEEN, CITY MANAGER *SQ*  
**THROUGH:** MAYOR NELS ANDERSON  
**DATE:** TUESDAY, DECEMBER 04, 2018  
**SUBJECT:** RESOLUTION 2018 - 047, SUPPORTING THE LOCATION OF THE ALASKA  
LNG LIQUEFACTION PLANT AND MARINE TERMINAL IN NIKISKI

The Alaska Gasline Development Corp. (AGDC) has filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to construct and operate the Alaska LNG project with a liquefaction plant and marine terminal proposed in Nikiski. The Nikiski site was selected as the preferred location back in 2013, when North Slope oil and gas producers ExxonMobil, BP, and ConocoPhillips were leading the project and the state was a minority partner. The State of Alaska, through AGDC, took over the project in 2016 and continues to support Nikiski as the terminus of the 807-mile gas pipeline from the North Slope.

The Mat-Su Borough is promoting property at Port MacKenzie, across Knik Arm from Anchorage, as a better site for the LNG plant. The City of Valdez has also advocated for the terminal to be built there. FERC staff are preparing a draft environmental impact statement (EIS), as required by federal law, which will consider alternatives for multiple aspects of the project, including: pipeline routing, vegetation clearing and restoration, waterway crossings, and the location of the LNG plant and marine terminal.

The attached resolution would show support for the State's selection of Nikiski, as the preferred LNG plant site. If adopted, copies of the resolution would be sent to our local, state, and federal delegation.