## CITY OF SEWARD, ALASKA RESOLUTION 2018-097

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEWARD, ALASKA, SUPPORTING THE SITING OF THE ALASKA GASLINE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S ALASKA LNG LIQUEFACTION PLANT AND MARINE TERMINAL IN NIKISKI, ALASKA

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 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, in May 2017 FERC deemed the application complete; and

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

WHEREAS, in March 2018 FERC issued the Notice of Schedule for the Alaska LNG project; 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; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska LNG project will increase trade for Alaska businesses around the world; and

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WHEREAS, public ownership of a natural gas pipeline offers certain advantages over private ownership including exemption from Federal income taxes that improve project economics.

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

**Section 1.** The City Council supports the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) application to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) with the siting of the liquefied natural gas (LNG) plant and marine terminal in Nikiski, Alaska.

Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to send copies of this resolution 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 Ben Carpenter, Alaska Representative Gary Knopp, and Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor Charlie Pierce.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Seward, Alaska, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.

THE CITY OF SEWARD, ALASKA

Sue McClure, Vice Mayor

AYES:

Lane, Horn, Towsley, Osenga, McClure

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

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ABSTAIN:

None

ATTEST:

Brenda J. Ballou, MMC

City Clerk OF S

(City Seal)