NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 20-90

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING A VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT FUND APPLICATION FROM THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO FUND A TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE TO ONE-TO-ONE DEVICES, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS: under Section 11.08.010 of the Borough Code, the Borough Village Improvement Commission was established to identify village service and capital improvement needs, plan and implement capital improvement and public service programs, and oversee investment of the Borough’s Village Improvement Fund (VIF); and

WHEREAS: under Section 11.08.020 of the Borough Code, the Commission is responsible for advising the Borough Administration with respect to working with village residents, Borough communities, and village utilities to identify projects and programs for recommended funding; and

WHEREAS: on November 10, 2020, the Village Improvement Commission passed Commission Resolution 20-19, approving and recommending six applications for final approval by the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly including an application from the Northwest Arctic Borough School District (the District) in the amount of $127,141.75 to fund the purchase of iPads, iPad applications for Prek-4th grade, charging stations, and cases; and

WHEREAS: the District is committed to maintaining the one-to-one implementation of student devices; purchasing this equipment has been necessary to ensure each of the approximately 805 students in grades K through 4 receive iPads pre-loaded with educational materials; and

WHEREAS: because of the need to be ready for the beginning of the school year, all equipment has already been purchased, the devices have been delivered to schools and are ready for students to use them; and

WHEREAS: the District is also committed to providing professional development to teachers, students, and parents on how best to leverage...
technology for learning as well as to teach digital citizenship skills for online and offline use; and

WHEREAS: ensuring all students have devices supports students and parents when students are learning from home and enables teachers to provide a more engaging, relevant learning experience and activities for all children; and

WHEREAS: the District has secured a commitment from Teck Alaska to match the requested VIF funds; and

WHEREAS: the proposed use of funds meets the VIF eligibility requirements and will benefit the region as a whole; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly wishes to approve the VIF application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY: the District’s application for VIF funds in the amount of $127,141.75 to fund the technology upgrade to one-to-one devices is approved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

Lucy S. Nelson, Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 24th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

Helena Hildreth, Borough Clerk

ATTEST: