

**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 24-32**

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING AN EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$860,000 UTILIZING LOCAL ASSISTANCE AND TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUNDS TO REPLACE THE FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS FOR THE SELAWIK AND NOORVIK SCHOOLS, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS: the Selawik School's fire protection system is currently non-functional; and

WHEREAS: the Noorvik School's fire protection system also needs total replacement; and

WHEREAS: the Borough recognizes the eminent risk that a non-functional fire protection system poses; and

WHEREAS: recognizing the severity and immediate need to ensure the protection and safety for both the Noorvik School and the Selawik School's children and staff, the Borough wishes to utilize available funds from the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF); and

WHEREAS: the Assembly wishes to authorize expenditure of up to \$860,000 in LATCF funds in coordination with the School District to complete necessary fire protection system replacements for the Selawik and Noorvik Schools.

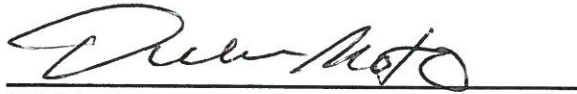
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly approves expenditure of LATCF funds in an amount up to \$860,000 in coordination with the School District for necessary repairs to the fire protection systems for the Selawik and Noorvik Schools, and for related purposes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 27th DAY OF AUGUST 2024.



Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF AUGUST 2024.



Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

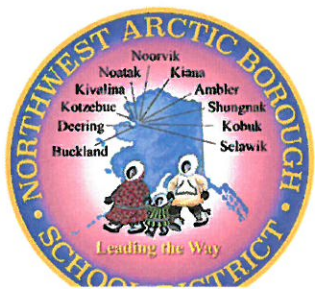
SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 27th DAY OF AUGUST 2024.



Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:





NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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August 9, 2024

Honorable Mayor Dickie Moto
Northwest Arctic Borough
163 Lagoon Street
Kotzebue, AK 99752

Re: Selawik and Noorvik Fire Alarm Replacement - Request for Funding

Dear Mr. Mayor:

NWABSD wanted to provide both you and the Borough Assembly an update on the above noted project and the District's related funding request.

The project was bid again this summer, and Sturgeon Electric has been determined as the only responsible bidder. Their bid amounts are below:

Selawik - \$352,896 + Noorvik - \$406,642 = Total Bid = \$759,528

Our original funding request to the Borough was \$750,000 and was intended to only replace the Selawik Fire Alarm system. Noorvik was added to the project in April, as were smoke detectors in all classrooms of both schools. This has increased the cost of the construction.

Sturgeon's bid price represents only the construction cost of the total Project Cost. There are costs associated with Project Management, Engineering, District Overhead, and Project Contingency that are required to complete the project. To cover all required project costs, we are requesting a total of \$860,000 in funding for this project.

Another consideration is the Assembly's funding is eligible to count as part of the local match for a grant recently awarded to the District. At the end of June, the Governor signed an FY25 budget that includes a State of Alaska Department of Education grant to renovate the Selawik school. This grant requires a local match of \$1,884,834. The roughly \$430,000 spent on Selawik for the fire alarm replacement could be part of that match.

Please have this matter added to the Assembly's agenda for the work session and meeting scheduled in Kivalina on August 27 and 28, 2024. If you have any questions on the project or the district's request for funding, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Terri Walker

Terri Walker,
Superintendent

Cc: Dena Strait, Capital Projects Manager