

CITY OF KOTZEBUE NOTICE

Regular City Council Meeting **AMENDED** Agenda

July 02, 2026 at 5:15 PM

City Hall Chambers – 258 A Third Avenue

THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

For residents who want to participate telephonically

call: **1-800-315-6338**; access code: **49401#**

4th Public Hearing on Ordinance 26-06.

Meeting Notice

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Invocation/Moment of Silence
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Introduction of Staff & Guests
- VI. Adoption of The Agenda
- VII. Adoption of Minutes
- VIII. Citizen Comments
- IX. Correspondence

[a\)](#) State Lobbyist - Ben Mohr - Legislative Update

X. Unfinished Business

[a\)](#) **ORDINANCE 26-02**, "A NON-CODE ORDINANCE CORRECTING OMITTED FEES FOR CY2026."

XI. New Business

[a\)](#) **RESOLUTION 26-27**, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE *NUNC PRO TUNC* ENTENDING LARGE ITEM PICK-UP (INCLUDING VEHICLES) FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 22, 2026 TO JULY 31, 2026 AND WAIVING ALL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH SUCH LARGE ITEM PICK-UP (INCLUDING VEHICLES)."

b) RESOLUTION 26-28, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE ACCEPTING THE ALASKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ("ACF") DONATIONS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$222,000.00) TO SUPPORT OCTOBER 2025 STORM RECOVERY, RESIDENTIAL SEWAGE BACKUP HOME REPAIRS, AND FIRE TRUCK REPLACEMENT."

c) RESOLUTION 26-29, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE ACCEPTING THREE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT FUND ("NWAB/VIF") AWARDS FOR TWO POLICE VEHICLES, NEW JETTER AND REPAIRS TO THE KOTZEBUE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S AERIAL LADDER TRUCK, PURCHASE OF NEW FIRE SAFETY GEAR AND FIRE HOSES, PROVIDE ESSENTIAL FIRE SAFETY TRAINING AND MAKE UPGRADES TO THE FIRE STATION."

XII. Council Members Comments

Seat B: Derek Haviland-Lie

Seat C: Joshua Hadley

Seat D: Kathleen Sherman

Seat E: Cory Jackson

Seat G: Johnson Greene

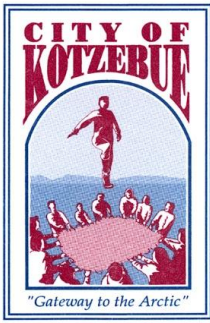
Seat A: Ernest Norton

Seat F: Saima Chase

Youth Representative: Vacant

XIII. Executive Session

XIV. Adjournment



258A Third Avenue
P.O. Box 46
Kotzebue, Alaska 99752

City Hall 907-442-3401

Police Dept 907-442-3351

Fire Dept 907-442-3404

Public Works 907-442-5200

Parks & Rec 907-442-3106

CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC NOTICE

Mayor Chase

has scheduled the next

**Regular City Council Meeting for
Thursday July 2nd, 2026 at 5:15pm**

**City Council Chambers
258A Third Avenue**

4th PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 26-02

**NON-CODE ORDINANCE 26-02, "CORRECTING
OMITTED FEES FOR CY2026."**

THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

FOR CITIZENS WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE TELEPHONICALLY CALL
1-800-315-6338 access code 49401#

Please contact the office of the City Clerk at 1-907-442-5108 or 1-907-412-2489
if you have any questions.

Posted: JUN-26-2026

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City of Kotzebue Attorney
City of Kotzebue Department Directors
Post Office Bulletin Board

AC Store Bulletin Board
KOTZ Radio

June 26, 2026

Alaska Legislative Update

The Legislature remains in special session on tax relief for the proposed Alaska LNG project, with the six-member conference committee on HB 381 scheduled to meet this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. Governor Dunleavy has returned the signed FY2027 operating and capital budgets with approximately \$90 million in line-item vetoes while preserving core K-12 formula funding. A court decision is expected soon in the high-profile challenge by a second Republican candidate also named Dan Sullivan seeking to remain on the August primary ballot. Today's report covers the latest on the gasoline conference committee, a detailed breakdown of the Governor's vetoes and their program-level impacts, the narrow focus of the special session, the 2026 election landscape, and key political dynamics heading into the July 1 target date.

Special Session Update

Governor Dunleavy called the current special session after earlier attempts to pass tax relief for the Alaska LNG project stalled. The vehicle is HB 381, which would replace the existing 20-mill petroleum property tax on project facilities with a volumetric tax based on gas throughput and provide construction-period and early-operation exemptions from certain taxes.

The House passed its version on a 34-5 bipartisan vote. The Senate adopted a significantly amended version that included an S-corporation tax provision and other changes the administration and developer Glenfarne said would undermine project economics. The House declined to concur, leading to the appointment of a conference committee on June 20. Both bodies adjourned until July 1.

Conference committee members are Speaker Bryce Edgmon (I-Dillingham), Rep. Calvin Schrage (I-Anchorage, chair), and Rep. Justin Ruffridge (R-Soldotna) for the House, and Sen. Lyman Hoffman (D-Bethel), Sen. Bert Stedman (R-Sitka), and Sen. Mike Cronk (R-Tok) for the Senate. The committee is scheduled to meet this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. Leadership has expressed interest in public proceedings. If a compromise position is reached, the Legislature could return July 1 for up-or-down votes. At that point the Governor could veto the final negotiated bill and send the legislature back to work, or claim victory and sign the bill into law.

Budget Update

Governor Dunleavy signed the FY2027 operating and capital budgets earlier this week and returned them with approximately \$90 million in line-item vetoes. He preserved the statutory Base Student Allocation and core K-12 formula funding while trimming discretionary additions approved by the Legislature. The vetoes came after the Legislature transmitted the bills on June 15.

The final operating budget spends roughly **\$1.4 billion less** in Unrestricted General Funds than the Governor's original proposal. Much of the reduction can be attributed to a steeply reduced PFD. The Governor's proposed PFD came in at \$3,650 per eligible Alaskan, at a cost north of \$2.3 billion. Given that the PFD delta alone is in the \$1.5–\$1.67 billion range, the reduced dividend (plus the \$200 energy

relief instead of a full statutory payment) accounts for essentially all — or very nearly all — of the \$1.4 billion reduction in UGF spending. The final budget funds a \$1,000 Permanent Fund Dividend plus \$200 per-person energy relief (combined cost ~\$800 million), maintains the statutory BSA of \$6,660 per adjusted average daily membership, and includes targeted restorations in health, corrections, and community assistance.

Detailed Veto Analysis and Program-Level Impacts

The Governor's vetoes total nearly \$90 million and primarily target discretionary expansions and rate increases. Key items include:

- **\$20 million for Community Assistance Payments** — Reduces direct distributions to municipalities. Smaller communities may face tighter budgets for local services and operations.
- **\$6.4 million for early education workforce recruitment and retention** — Impacts efforts to address shortages in child care and early learning programs, potentially slowing expansion and increasing turnover.
- **\$6.25 million to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for in-home caregivers** — Maintains existing rates for personal care attendants serving seniors and people with disabilities, which could affect provider participation and access to home-based care.
- **\$5 million to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for direct support professionals** — Affects rates for providers assisting individuals with intellectual, developmental, and physical disabilities, potentially constraining workforce stability and service capacity.
- **\$4.2 million for behavioral health grants** — Reduces support for community mental health and substance use treatment providers, which may lead to scaled-back services or longer wait times in some areas.
- **\$3.7 million for Head Start grants (with \$16.8 million remaining)** — Partial reduction may require some programs to adjust enrollment or staffing while preserving the majority of funding.

Additional vetoes reportedly include teacher incentive-related payments and the \$400,000 legislative study on K-12 funding formula adequacy. These changes reflect the administration's focus on spending restraint while protecting statutory education obligations. Full details of the vetoes can be found at <https://omb.alaska.gov/fiscal-year-2027-enacted/>. Local governments, early childhood providers, Medicaid service organizations, and behavioral health agencies will feel the most direct effects.

Bills

The special session remains narrowly focused on HB 381. No other major policy legislation is moving. The conference committee's work today will determine whether a compromise can be finalized ahead of the July 1 target.

Elections

Statewide: The 2026 gubernatorial race remains crowded, with more than 15 candidates having declared or filed. The outcome of the gasline special session—particularly any compromise on HB 381—and the Governor's budget vetoes will supply early campaign material on resource development,



fiscal policy, and legislative effectiveness. The final day for candidates to withdraw from the August 18th Primary is on Saturday, June 27th.

Incumbent Republican U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan is seeking re-election and remains the frontrunner in the August top-four primary. A second Republican candidate with the identical name - Dan J. Sullivan, a retired teacher from Petersburg - was disqualified by the Alaska Division of Elections. A judge heard oral arguments in his appeal on June 25, and a decision is expected soon. Any further appeals would likely go to the Alaska Supreme Court ahead of the June 30 ballot printing deadline. The situation has drawn significant attention due to the potential for voter confusion.

Trending Topics in Alaska Politics

High oil prices have provided fiscal flexibility, allowing protection of the PFD and core education funding – but every shipment of oil through the strait of Hormuz strips away at Alaska’s anticipated fiscal cushion. The gasoline conference committee and the fast-tracked court case on the Senate primary ballot are the dominant stories in Alaska politics today. Both highlight ongoing tensions around election integrity, resource development, and fiscal policy as candidates position themselves for 2026.

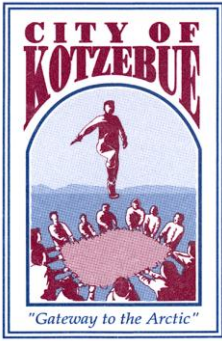
Proponents of tax relief argue it is necessary for project financing and long-term state benefits, while the Governor’s veto choices reflect a preference for targeted restraint over broader program expansions. The short window before July 1 means any agreement will need to balance project viability with Senate concerns over revenue and oversight.

We do hope you’re enjoying this summer. Please feel free to reach out to me or Eldon any time, we’re always happy to connect with you.

All the best,

Ben Mohr

Eldon Mulder



CITY OF KOTZEBUE, ALASKA

ORDINANCE NO. 26-02

ENTITLED: "A NON-CODE ORDINANCE CORRECTING OMITTED FEES FOR CY2026."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE, ALASKA:

Section 1. This is a Non-Code Ordinance.

Section 2. Non-Code Ordinance 26-01, was passed and approved on February 19, 2026. However, through a software/technical glitch, several fees were omitted for CY2026.

Section 3. As a result of the omission, the City has been charging outdated CY2025 fees for all fees omitted in Non-Code Ordinance 26-01.

Section 4. The omitted fees for CY2026 are set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Section 5. The omitted fees for CY2026 shall become effective with the August 1, 2026 billing cycle for the bills mailed out in early-September 2026.

ENACTED this 2nd day of July 2026.

CITY OF KOTZEBUE

Saima Chase
Mayor

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

Donald Jones
City Clerk

ATTESTATION: I, Donald Jones, Clerk for the City of Kotzebue, hereby attest that the above Non-Code Ordinance, No. 26-02, was duly presented to the Kotzebue City Council, duly published and that a valid public hearing was held and that it was duly enacted on July 2, 2026.

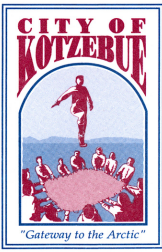
Public Post: April 10, 2026
Introduced: April 16, 2026
Public Re-Post: May 1, 2026
First Public Hearing: May 7, 2026
Public Re-Post: May 14, 2026
Second Public Hearing: May 20, 2026
Public Re-post: June 17, 2026
Third Public Hearing: June 18, 2026
Public Re-post June 26, 2026
Fourth Public Hearing July 2, 2026
Passed and Approved: July 2, 2026
Adopted: August 1, 2026

Attachments:

- **Exhibit “A”**: Table of Fees Omitted in Non-Code Ordinance 26-01 – [1 page]
- **Exhibit “B”**: Alaska Residential Utility Rate Comparison PSA– [1 page]
- **Exhibit “C”**: Utility Rate PSA [1 page]

PUBLIC WORKS - WATER / WASTEWATER							
ITEM	ACTIVITY	VALID PERIOD	CY25	CUOP RATE	DIFFERENCE	CY26	COMMENTS
SENIOR/DISABLED RATES							
1	Water Flat Rate		\$40.58	\$0.48	\$0.00	\$40.58	
2	Wastewater Flat Rate		\$20.18	\$5.96	\$8.82	\$29.00	
RESIDENTIAL RATES Single/Multi-units up to Five-plex							
3	Water Flat Rate		\$101.46	\$84.74	\$0.00	\$101.46	
4	Wastewater Flat Rate		\$46.60	\$32.98	\$21.40	\$68.00	
MULTI-UNIT DWELLINGS RATES Multi-unit Six-plex and above							
5	Water Base Rate	Up to 6000 Gallons	\$107.02		\$0.00	\$107.02	
6	Water Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$42.88		\$0.00	\$42.88	
7	Wastewater Minimum Rate	Up to 6000 Gallons	\$57.18		\$10.82	\$68.00	
8	Wastewater Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$19.53		\$7.47	\$27.00	
COMMERCIAL RATES							
9	Water Flat Rate	Monthly	\$240.77		\$0.00	\$240.77	
10	Water Minimum Rate	Monthly	\$107.02		\$0.00	\$107.02	
11	Water Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$42.88		\$0.00	\$42.88	
12	Wastewater Flat Rate	Monthly	\$118.42		\$21.58	\$140.00	
13	Wastewater Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$57.18		\$10.82	\$68.00	

PUBLIC WORKS - SOLID WASTE							
ITEM	ACTIVITY	VALID PERIOD	CY25			CY26	COMMENTS
SENIOR/DISABLED RATES							
14	Residential Pick-Up Elder Service		\$27.29		\$4.71	\$32.00	
RESIDENTIAL RATES							
15	Residential Pick-Up Service		\$52.27		\$11.73	\$64.00	
16	Additional Pick-Up Residential				\$64.00	\$64.00	Additional/Late/Blocked/Missed
COMMERCIAL RATES							
17	Commercial Dumpster Lease	Monthly	\$35.00		\$7.00	\$42.00	
18	Commercial Pick-Up Service	Per Dumpster	\$28.43		\$6.57	\$35.00	
19	Additional Pick-Up	Each			\$35.00	\$35.00	Additional/Late/Blocked/Missed



City of Kotzebue

Section X, Item a)

4th PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 26-02

“A NON-CODE ORDINANCE CORRECTING OMITTED FEES FOR CY2026”

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 2, 2026

Residents of the City of Kotzebue are encouraged to attend the next regular city council meeting for public comment on Ordinance 26-02 regarding water, sewer, and garbage rate increases.

SENIOR / DISABLED RATES

	CURRENT w/o CUAP	CURRENT w/ CUAP	PROPOSED RATE	INCREASE
WATER	\$40.58	\$0.48	\$40.58	\$0.00
SEWER	\$20.18	\$5.96	\$29.00	\$8.82
GARBAGE	\$27.29	\$27.29	\$32.00	\$4.71
TOTAL	\$88.05	\$33.73	\$101.58	\$13.53

RESIDENTIAL RATES

	CURRENT w/o CUAP	CURRENT w/ CUAP	PROPOSED RATE	INCREASE
WATER	\$101.46	\$84.74	\$101.46	\$0.00
SEWER	\$46.60	\$32.98	\$68.00	\$21.40
GARBAGE	\$52.27	\$52.27	\$64.00	\$11.73
TOTAL	\$200.33	169.99 + 10.20 tax	233.46 + 14.00 tax	\$33.13

**The Northwest Arctic Borough - Community Utility Assistance Program is a yearly appropriated assistance for villages in the NWAB.

Exhibit "B" to Ordinance 26-02 for RCCM July 2, 2026

ALASKA RESIDENTIAL UTILITY RATE COMPA

Section X, Item a)

The City of Kotzebue is committed to providing transparent information to our residents. The table below compares residential utility rates from communities across Alaska using publicly available information. Rates include water, sewer, and garbage services where available and are listed from highest to lowest total monthly cost.

Community	Water	Sewer	Garbage	Total
Ketchikan	\$74.25	\$63.69	\$233.07/ton (Landfill Disposal)	\$371.01*
Fairbanks	\$122.05	\$153.04	\$33.00	\$308.09
Bethel	\$229.78	\$65.05	Community Dumpsters	\$294.83
Sitka	\$66.91	\$89.79	\$80.72	\$237.42
Craig	\$56.90	\$70.38	\$77.44 (2 × 48-gal bin)	\$204.72
Kotzebue	\$101.46	\$46.60	\$52.27	\$200.33**
Juneau	\$44.90	\$116.95	Contracted	\$161.85
Anchorage	\$68.98	\$60.82	\$25.00	\$154.80
Nome	\$49.09	\$58.81	\$43.12	\$151.02
Seward	\$53.75	\$74.07	Contracted	\$127.82
Dillingham	\$57.79	\$69.52	Landfill Drop-off	\$127.31
Utqiagvik	\$55.00 (up to 3,000 gal.)***	\$14.00	\$32.00	\$101.00

* Ketchikan's garbage rate is based on landfill disposal by ton and may vary by usage.

**Total utility rate for Kotzebue does not include Community Utility Assistance Program Discount

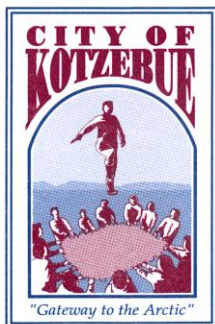
*** Water usage over 3,000 gallons is billed at an additional \$0.02 per gallon.

WHAT THIS MEANS

Every community has unique infrastructure, geography, operating costs, and service delivery challenges that influence utility rates. This comparison is provided to offer residents a broader perspective on how Kotzebue's utility rates compare with those of other Alaska communities. The City remains committed to operating and maintaining essential utility services in a safe, reliable, and fiscally responsible manner.

Disclaimer

The information presented was compiled using publicly available online records and information available at the time the research was conducted. While every effort was made to ensure accuracy, rates and policies may have changed since compilation. This comparison is intended for informational purposes only and should not be considered an official rate schedule. Please refer to the appropriate municipality or utility provider for the most current and authoritative information.



CITY OF KOTZEBUE

RESOLUTION NO. 26-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE *NUNC PRO TUNC* EXTENDING LARGE ITEM PICK-UP (INCLUDING VEHICLES) FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 22, 2026 TO JULY 31, 2026 AND WAIVING ALL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH SUCH LARGE ITEM PICK-UP (INCLUDING VEHICLES).

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director noted during the June 18th RCCM and the City Council agreed that the large item pick-up (including vehicles) during the June 2026 Spring Clean Up had been successful;

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director recommended that the period for large item pick-up (including vehicles) be extended from June 22nd through July 31st and that all fees associated with such large item pick-up (including vehicles) be waived during this period;

WHEREAS, the removing discarded large items (including vehicles) from the City is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Kotzebue and an important public health and safety issue; and,

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department has the time and resources to extend this large item pick-up (including vehicles) as noted herein and the City will issue PSAs and post notices of this extended large item pick-up (including vehicles) with the requisite waiver of all the associated fees for this large item pick-up (including vehicles).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Kotzebue *nunc pro tunc* authorizes and confirms the extension of large item pick-up (including vehicles) from June 22nd to July 31st and authorizes the waiver of all the fees associated with the extension of large item pick-up (including vehicles) for the period June 22nd to July 31st 2026.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of the City of Kotzebue, Alaska, this 2nd day of July 2026.

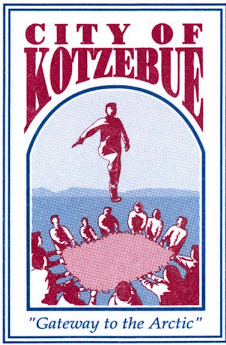
CITY OF KOTZEBUE

Saima Chase
Mayor

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

Donald Jones Jr
City Clerk



CITY OF KOTZEBUE

RESOLUTION NO. 26-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE ACCEPTING THE ALASKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (“ACF”) DONATIONS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$222,000.00) TO SUPPORT OCTOBER 2025 STORM RECOVERY, RESIDENTIAL SEWAGE BACKUP HOME REPAIRS, AND FIRE TRUCK REPLACEMENT.

WHEREAS, the Alaska Community Foundation ("ACF"), through its Western Alaska Disaster Relief Advisory Committee, has approved three (3) donations to the City of Kotzebue totaling Two Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$222,000.00), consisting of:

- One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for October 2025 storm remediation;
- Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for residential sewage backup home repairs; and
- Ninety-Two Thousand Dollars (\$92,000.00) for fire truck replacement

Copies of the awards are attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and Exhibit “B”;

WHEREAS, the October 2025 storm caused significant damage throughout the City of Kotzebue and communities across Western Alaska, resulting in a State and Federal Disaster Declaration; and

WHEREAS, these donations will provide critical financial assistance to support community recovery efforts, including storm remediation, assistance to residents impacted by sewage backups, and the replacement of essential emergency response equipment necessary to protect the health and safety of the public; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the Alaska Community Foundation's commitment to supporting disaster recovery and strengthening the resilience of communities throughout Western Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kotzebue wishes to formally accept these donations and express its sincere appreciation to the Alaska Community Foundation and the Western Alaska Disaster Relief Advisory Committee for their generous investment in the recovery and future safety of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Kotzebue that the City Council hereby accepts the Alaska Community Foundation donations totaling Two Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$222,000.00) for the purposes described herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute any documents necessary to receive, administer, and expend these funds in accordance with the terms and conditions of the awards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council extends its sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Alaska Community Foundation and the Western Alaska Disaster Relief Advisory Committee for their generosity, partnership, and continued commitment to helping the City of Kotzebue recover from the October 2025 disaster and strengthen essential public safety services.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of the City of Kotzebue, Alaska, this 2nd day of July 2026.

CITY OF KOTZEBUE

Ernest Norton, on behalf of Saima Chase
Vice Mayor

ATTEST:

[SEAL]

Donald Jones Jr
City Clerk

Attachments:

- **Exhibit “A”**: ACF Storm Remediation & Home Repair Awards [3 pages]
- **Exhibit “B”**: ACF Fire Truck Award [2 pages]

Kaitlin Moore

From: Grants <grants@alaskacf.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2025 3:29 PM
To: Ron Johnson
Cc: Kaitlin Moore; Joe Sonnier; Michael Fredericks; Megan Cacciola
Subject: Western Alaska Disaster Relief Funding
Attachments: City of Kotzebue 1.pdf; City of Kotzebue 2.pdf

Dear Ron Johnson,

On behalf of the Alaska Community Foundation's Western Alaska Disaster Relief Advisory Committee, we are pleased to award a **\$30,000** grant for sewage back up home repair and a **\$100,000.00** grant for storm remediation to your organization. These grants are for your response and recovery work following the October 2025 storms. We trust your organization to identify emergent needs and direct funding wherever it will be best used. Please see the attached letters for more information about the funding requirements.

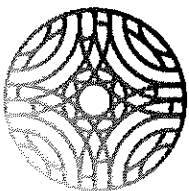
ACF will need the following information to process the grants:

1. City of Kotzebue's EIN Number:
2. Confirm City of Kotzebue's mailing address: PO Box 46, Kotzebue, AK 99752-0046
3. City of Kotzebue's bank name and account number if you would like the check deposited rather than sent to the address you provide:

Please include our project management contractor Michael Fredericks in your response at mfedericks@salt-ak.com. If you would prefer to provide any of this information over the phone, please reach out to Michael Fredericks at 907-223-3493.

Thank you so much for all you have done for those impacted by the disaster. Please also reach out if you need more funding to support your response to the disaster, ACF and the Steering Committee would be happy to learn how we can continue to support unmet needs.

Sincerely,



**ALASKA COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**

Programs & Grants Team

(907) 334-6700
grants@alaskacf.org
www.alaskacf.org

3201 C Street, Suite 110, Anchorage, AK 99503



**ALASKA COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**

12/18/2025

City of Kotzebue

Dear Ron Johnson,

On behalf of the Alaska Community Foundation's Western Alaska Disaster Relief Advisory Committee, I am pleased to award a \$100,000 grant to your organization. This grant is for storm remediation for your response and recovery work following the October 2025 storms. We trust your organization to identify emergent needs and direct funding wherever it will be best used.

By accepting payment for this grant, you agree and consent to the following conditions of the grant:

- (1) Grantee must expend the grant to support the response to and recovery from the October 2025 storms.
- (2) Grantee shall not use any portion of the funds granted herein to participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- (3) Grantee shall not use any portion of the funds granted to engage in any lobbying not permitted by IRC §501(c)(3) or, if applicable, IRC §§501(h) and 4911.
- (4) Grantee will work with Alaska Community Foundation staff to develop a plan for reporting back on how the money was used and how many people were supported. Detailed financials are not necessary. Instead, it will be important to communicate the overall impact and meaning of the grant to your community so that we can share these stories with donors and honor their contributions. Report-backs can be conducted over email at grants@alaskacf.org or over phone at 907-249-6617.
- (5) Grantee will also provide at least two photos showing the impact of the funding.

Please consider including Alaska Community Foundation as one of your funders should you decide to engage in any publications about your work. Similarly, we work daily to uplift the projects of our grantees. We welcome email updates so that we can amplify your work.

Please contact us at grants@alaskacf.org should any questions arise.

Sincerely,

Alex McKay
CEO & President

Section XI, Item b)



ALASKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

1/27/2026

CITY OF KOTZEBUE

Dear Mike Wetzel and Ron Johnson,

On behalf of the Alaska Community Foundation's Western Alaska Disaster Relief Advisory Committee, I am pleased to award a **\$92,000** grant to your organization. This grant is for the Fire Truck Replacement for your response and recovery work following the October 2025 storms.

By accepting payment for this grant, you agree and consent to the following conditions of the grant:

- (1) Grantee must expend the grant to support the response to and recovery from the October 2025 storms.
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- (5) Grantee will also provide at least two photos showing the impact of the funding.

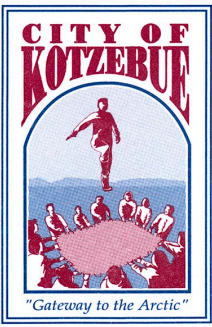
Please consider including Alaska Community Foundation as one of your funders should you decide to engage in any publications about your work. Similarly, we work daily to uplift the projects of our grantees. We welcome email updates so that we can amplify your work.

Please contact us at grants@alaskacf.org should any questions arise.

Sincerely,

Alex McKay
CEO & President

Exhibit "B" to Resolution 26-28 for RCCM July 2, 2026



CITY OF KOTZEBUE

RESOLUTION NO. 26-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE ACCEPTING THREE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT FUND (“NWAB/VIF”) AWARDS FOR TWO POLICE VEHICLES, NEW JETTER AND REPAIRS TO THE KOTZEBUE FIRE DEPARTMENT’S AERIAL LADDER TRUCK, PURCHASE OF NEW FIRE SAFETY GEAR AND FIRE HOSES, PROVIDE ESSENTIAL FIRE SAFETY TRAINING AND MAKE UPGRADES TO THE FIRE STATION.

WHEREAS, the NWAB in its Resolution 26-32, dated June 30, 2026, approved a VIF Award as recommended the Village Improvement Commission (“VIC”) in its Resolution 26-05, dated June 5, 2026, copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, for the purchase of two police vehicles for the Kotzebue Police Department;

WHEREAS, the NWAB in its Resolution 26-33, dated June 30, 2026, approved a VIF Award as recommended the Village Improvement Commission (“VIC”) in its Resolution 26-06, dated June 5, 2026, copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, for the purchase of new jetter;

WHEREAS, the NWAB in its Resolution 26-34, dated June 30, 2026, approved a VIF Award as recommended the Village Improvement Commission (“VIC”) in its Resolution 26-07, dated June 5, 2026, copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, for repairs to the Kotzebue Fire Department’s aerial ladder truck, purchase of new fire safety gear and fire hoses, provide essential fire safety training and make upgrades to the Fire Station; and,

WHEREAS, these three NWAB/VIF awards will enhance public safety, support water and sewer maintenance and emergency response, and enhance fire safety services for the residents of Kotzebue.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Kotzebue accepts and thanks the NWAB/VIF for these much needed and important awards.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of the City of Kotzebue, Alaska, this 2nd day of July, 2026.

CITY OF KOTZEBUE

Ernest Norton, on behalf of Saima Chase
Vice Mayor

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

Donald Jones
City Clerk

Attachments:

- **Exhibit A** – NWAB Resolution 26-32 [4 pages]
- **Exhibit B** – NWAB Resolution 26-33 [4 pages]
- **Exhibit C** – NWAB Resolution 26-34 [4 pages]

**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 26-32**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC
BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING A VILLAGE FUND
APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE TO FUND THE
PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE VEHICLES FOR THE KOTZEBUE
POLICE DEPARTMENT, 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 Village Improvement 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: the City of Kotzebue applied for VIF funds in the amount of \$131,195.00 to fund the purchase of two police vehicles for the Kotzebue Police Department, which is necessary to replace aging police vehicles whose maintenance and repair costs exceed their current value; and

WHEREAS: the project will improve the Kotzebue Police Department's ability to provide consistent public safety services in Kotzebue and will reduce ongoing maintenance costs associated with outdated vehicles; and

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

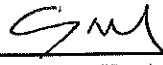
WHEREAS: on June 5, 2026, the Village Improvement Commission passed Commission Resolution 26-05, approving and recommending Assembly approval of the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$131,195.00 to fund the purchase of two police vehicles for the Kotzebue Police Department; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly wishes to approve the VIF application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY: the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in

the amount of \$131,195.00 to fund the purchase of two police vehicles for the Kotzebue Police Department is approved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



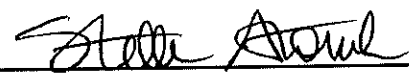
Craig McConnell, Assembly President

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:



**VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION
RESOLUTION 26-05**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE
IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION APPROVING AN
APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE TO
FUND THE PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE VEHICLES
FOR THE KOTZEBUE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND
FOR RELATED PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS: on January 27, 2026, the Borough executed a renewed Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Agreement and Memorandum of Commitment (MOC) Agreement with Teck Alaska; and

WHEREAS: the MOC Agreement and Chapter 11.08 of the Borough Code established a separate Village Improvement Fund (VIF) dedicated for Borough village improvements, services, and capital projects; and

WHEREAS: the MOC Agreement and Chapter 11.08 of the Borough Code also established the Village Improvement Commission (VIC) as an advisory body to identify village service and capital improvement needs, plan and implement capital improvement and public service programs, and oversee investment of the VIF; and

WHEREAS: under the Borough's Memorandum of Commitment Agreement with Teck Alaska, the parties stipulated that the Borough retains "sole control of the VIF" but that the Borough maintains a "consultation and review protocol" for "meaningful participation from all eleven (11) of the villages within the NAB" that has been established under the VIC; and

WHEREAS: the City of Kotzebue applied for VIF funds in the amount of \$131,195.00 to fund the purchase of two police vehicles for the Kotzebue Police Department, which is necessary to replace aging police vehicles whose maintenance and repair costs exceed their current value; and

WHEREAS: the project will improve the Kotzebue Police Department's ability to provide consistent public safety services in Kotzebue and will reduce ongoing maintenance costs associated with outdated vehicles; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION: the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$131,195.00 to fund the purchase of two police vehicles for the Kotzebue Police Department is recommended for final approval by the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2026.


Marie Greene, Chair

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2026.


Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:



**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 26-33**

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING A VILLAGE FUND APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF A JETTER TO SUPPORT WATER AND SEWER MAINTENANCE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE, 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 Village Improvement 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: the City of Kotzebue applied for VIF funds in the amount of \$376,112.92 to fund the purchase of a new jetter for the City of Kotzebue to support water and sewer maintenance and emergency response; and

WHEREAS: the project will help prevent sewer backups, reduce damage to public infrastructure and private property, and improve the City's ability to respond quickly when utility issues occur; and

WHEREAS: the proposed use of funds meets the VIF eligibility requirements and will benefit the larger Kotzebue community; and

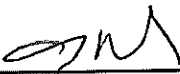
WHEREAS: on June 5, 2026, the Village Improvement Commission passed Commission Resolution 26-06, approving and recommending Assembly approval of the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$376,112.92 to help fund the purchase of a new jetter for the City of Kotzebue to support water and sewer maintenance and emergency response; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly wishes to approve the VIF application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY: the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$376,112.92 to help fund the purchase of a new jetter for the

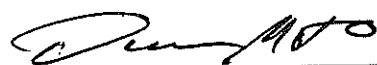
City of Kotzebue to support water and sewer maintenance and emergency response is approved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Craig McConnell, Assembly President

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:



**VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION
RESOLUTION 26-06**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE
IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION APPROVING AN
APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE TO
FUND THE PURCHASE OF A JETTER TO SUPPORT
WATER AND SEWER MAINTENANCE AND
EMERGENCY RESPONSE, AND FOR RELATED
PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS: on January 27, 2026, the Borough executed a renewed Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Agreement and Memorandum of Commitment (MOC) Agreement with Teck Alaska; and

WHEREAS: the MOC Agreement and Chapter 11.08 of the Borough Code established a separate Village Improvement Fund (VIF) dedicated for Borough village improvements, services, and capital projects; and

WHEREAS: the MOC Agreement and Chapter 11.08 of the Borough Code also established the Village Improvement Commission (VIC) as an advisory body to identify village service and capital improvement needs, plan and implement capital improvement and public service programs, and oversee investment of the VIF; and

WHEREAS: under the Borough's Memorandum of Commitment Agreement with Teck Alaska, the parties stipulated that the Borough retains "sole control of the VIF" but that the Borough maintains a "consultation and review protocol" for "meaningful participation from all eleven (11) of the villages within the NAB" that has been established under the VIC; and

WHEREAS: the City of Kotzebue applied for VIF funds in the amount of \$376,112.92 to fund the purchase of a new jetter for the City of Kotzebue to support water and sewer maintenance and emergency response; and

WHEREAS: the project will help prevent sewer backups, reduce damage to public infrastructure and private property, and improve the City's ability to respond quickly when utility issues occur; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION: the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$376,112.92 to fund the purchase of a new jetter for the City of Kotzebue to support water and sewer maintenance and emergency response is recommended for final approval by the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Marie Greene, Chair

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:



**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 26-34**

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING A VILLAGE FUND APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE TO HELP FUND REPAIRS, NEW EQUIPMENT, AND ESSENTIAL FIRE SAFETY TRAINING FOR THE KOTZEBUE FIRE DEPARTMENT, 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 Village Improvement 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: the City of Kotzebue applied for VIF funds in the amount of \$180,000.00 to help fund repairs to the Kotzebue Fire Department's aerial ladder truck, the purchase of new fire safety gear and fire hoses, provide essential fire safety training, and upgrades to bring the fire station up to code; and

WHEREAS: the project will ensure the Kotzebue Fire Department has safe, reliable equipment for responding to fires, properly trained personnel, and adequate facilities for emergency response; and

WHEREAS: the proposed use of funds meets the VIF eligibility requirements and will benefit the larger Kotzebue community; and

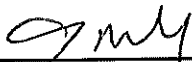
WHEREAS: on June 5, 2026, the Village Improvement Commission passed Commission Resolution 26-07, approving and recommending Assembly approval of the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$180,000.00 to help fund repairs to the Kotzebue Fire Department's aerial ladder truck, the purchase of new fire safety gear and fire hoses, provide essential fire safety training, and upgrades to bring the fire station up to code; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly wishes to approve the VIF application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY: the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF

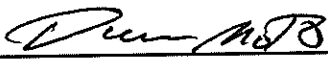
funds in the amount of \$180,000.00 to help fund repairs to the Kotzebue Fire Department's aerial ladder truck, the purchase of new fire safety gear and fire hoses, provide essential fire safety training, and upgrades to bring the fire station up to code is approved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Craig McConnell, Assembly President

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 30th DAY OF JUNE 2026.



Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:



**VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION
RESOLUTION 26-07**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE
IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION APPROVING AN
APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE TO
HELP FUND REPAIRS, NEW EQUIPMENT, AND
ESSENTIAL FIRE SAFETY TRAINING FOR THE
KOTZEBUE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND FOR
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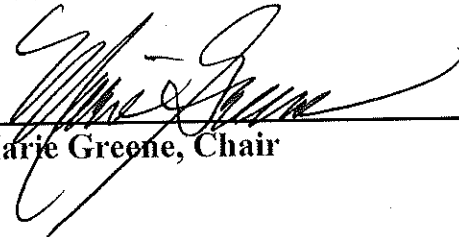
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WHEREAS: the proposed use of funds meets the VIF eligibility requirements and will benefit the region as a whole.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION: the City of Kotzebue's application for VIF funds in the amount of \$180,000.00 to help fund repairs to the Kotzebue Fire Department's aerial ladder truck, the purchase of new fire safety gear and fire hoses, essential fire safety training, and upgrades to bring the fire station up to code is recommended for final approval by the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2026.


Marie Greene, Chair

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 5th DAY OF JUNE 2026.


Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

