Proposed by: Mayor Cremata
Attorney Review: 05/29/2020
Vote: 6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Absent

### MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 20-22R

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE & ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAM TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE COMMUNITY OF SKAGWAY.

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the Municipality of Skagway declared an emergency based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial adverse economic impacts to Skagway residents, which was confirmed by the Assembly on March 19, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** Skagway residents and the municipality rely upon the tourism industry for financial stability; and

**WHEREAS,** many Skagway residents are unable to be employed in the tourism industry for an undetermined amount of time due to the widespread cancellation of cruises to Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, employment options for Skagway residents that provide for working off site or remotely in other industries are limited; and

**WHEREAS**, secondary impacts to the local economy due to COVID-19 travel restrictions and health mandates will be devastating, with an estimated total community revenue loss of \$160 million for the 2020 season; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to implement an Emergency Assistance & Economic Stimulus Program to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the health and financial stability of the Skagway community; and

**WHEREAS**, economic assistance to residents of the Municipality of Skagway due to the impacts of COVID-19 and the federal and state emergency measures related to COVID-19 is an authorized use of CARES Act funding under the Federal Treasury guidelines;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway considers expenditures to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 on the local economy to be necessary expenditures in accordance with the CARES Act and CARES Act funding and establishes the following policy for an Emergency Assistance & Economic Stimulus Program:

- Applications will be accepted upon receipt by the Municipality of Skagway of the first Coronavirus Relief Fund grant payment from the State of Alaska.
- Assistance will be provided in the form of a check payment.

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- Applications must be submitted monthly, and applicants must include receipts or bills for necessary expenditures as determined by the Municipality of Skagway: rent, mortgage, non-municipal utilities, heating fuel, vehicle fuel, medical, food, other necessary items purchased in Skagway, or expenses approved on an individual basis.
- To be eligible, applicants must provide two pieces of proof of residency in Skagway issued on or before June 4, 2020.
- Applicant and all persons listed on the application must currently reside in Skagway and provide a local Skagway physical address and post office box mailing address.
- The program will include a monthly per-person funding cap which may be adjusted administratively depending on funding availability, and an initial appropriation of \$1,000 to each applicant; and \$1,000 for spouse/partner and/or each dependent residing with the applicant.
- This program is dependent on Coronavirus Relief Fund grant funding and will be in place until grant funding is depleted or the expiration of the program, whichever comes first.
- The Municipality of Skagway may take steps to streamline administration of this program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by a duly constituted quorum of the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

Proposed by: Attorney Review: **Finance Committee** 07/29/2020

Vote:

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Absent

# MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA **RESOLUTION NO. 20-32R**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY. ALASKA ESTABLISHING A SMALL BUSINESS EMERGENCY GRANT PROGRAM TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OF SKAGWAY.

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Municipality of Skagway declared an emergency based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial adverse economic impacts to Skagway residents, which was confirmed by the Assembly on March 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Skagway businesses rely upon the tourism industry for financial stability; and

WHEREAS, the widespread cancellation of cruises to Alaska has and will continue to have a detrimental impact on all Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, impacts to the local economy due to COVID-19 travel restrictions and health mandates have been and will continue to be devastating, with an estimated total community revenue loss of approximately \$160 million for the 2020 season alone; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to implement a Small Business Relief Grant Program to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the financial stability of Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Small Business Relief Grant Program will be funded from Sales Tax:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway establishes a Small Business Emergency Grant program, that may be administered with the assistance of the Skagway Economic Development Corporation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway this 6th day of August, 2020.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

Proposed by: Administration
Attorney Review: 09/24/2020
Vote: 5 Aye 0 Nay 1 Absent

# MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 20-40R

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA ESTABLISHING THE TIER I SNOW GRANT, A PROGRAM TO HELP YEAR-ROUND RESTAURANT AND GROCERY STOREFRONTS MAINTAIN THEIR TRADITIONAL PRESENCE IN THE COMMUNITY DURING THE 2020/2021 WINTER SEASON, AND TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OF SKAGWAY.

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the Municipality of Skagway declared an emergency based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial adverse economic impacts to Skagway residents, which was confirmed by the Assembly on March 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Skagway businesses rely upon the tourism industry for financial stability; and

**WHEREAS**, the widespread cancellation of cruises to Alaska has and will continue to have a detrimental impact on all Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, impacts to the local economy due to COVID-19 travel restrictions and health mandates have been and will continue to be devastating, with an estimated total community revenue loss of approximately \$160 million for the 2020 season alone; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to implement the Tier I SNOW Grant (Skagway Normal Operations for Wintertime) to help provide restaurant and grocery services to residents in hopes of keeping them both mentally and physically healthy during the long winter months in Skagway, Alaska, and to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the financial stability of Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Tier I SNOW Grant will be funded from Sales Tax; and

**WHEREAS**, to qualify for Tier I SNOW Grant funding, eligible businesses must have maintained an open storefront from November 2019 through March of 2020, paid municipal sales tax during that same period, and must commit to maintaining an open storefront from October 15, 2020 through March 31, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, for the purposes of the Tier I SNOW Grant, "storefront" shall mean an occupied room or suite of rooms in a building at street level and immediately behind a storefront, that is accessible to customers during business hours; "restaurant" means a business that prepares and serves food to customers, and may include dine-in, take-out, or delivery services; and "grocery" means a business that sells food products;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway establishes the Tier I SNOW Grant program as follows:

Tier I Funding - Restaurants and Grocery Establishments:

- Total funding: \$150,000
- Maximum funding per business: \$25,000
- Payment will be disbursed by the end of each month from October 2020 through April 2021.
- If a business is closed by a state or local mandate due to COVID-19 response, it will continue to receive funding through the life of the grant program.

#### Eligibility:

- Primary place of business has to be Skagway, Alaska.
- Business must be a restaurant or grocery establishment.
- Business must have maintained an open storefront from November 2019 through March 2020.
- Paid municipal taxes in both the fourth quarter of 2019 and the first quarter of 2020.
- Commitment to maintaining an open storefront five days per week from October 15, 2020 through March 31, 2021.
- Did not accept a Tier II SNOW Grant for the same business.
- A business and/or its owner is only eligible for one Tier I SNOW Grant.
- Business agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local COVID-19 protocols, in existence and which may become necessary in the future.
- Business agrees to require employees to wear cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth at all times when indoors, and outdoors when six-foot distancing is not possible.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the Borough Assembly of

the Municipality of Skagway this 1st day of October, 2020.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

Proposed by: Administration
Attorney Review: 09/24/2020
Vote: 5 Aye 0 Nay 1 Absent

# MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 20-41R

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA ESTABLISHING THE TIER II SNOW GRANT, A PROGRAM TO HELP YEAR-ROUND RETAIL STOREFRONTS MAINTAIN THEIR TRADITIONAL PRESENCE IN THE COMMUNITY DURING THE 2020/2021 WINTER SEASON, AND TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OF SKAGWAY.

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the Municipality of Skagway declared an emergency based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial adverse economic impacts to Skagway residents, which was confirmed by the Assembly on March 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Skagway businesses rely upon the tourism industry for financial stability; and

**WHEREAS**, the widespread cancellation of cruises to Alaska has and will continue to have a detrimental impact on all Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, impacts to the local economy due to COVID-19 travel restrictions and health mandates have been and will continue to be devastating, with an estimated total community revenue loss of approximately \$160 million for the 2020 season alone; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to implement the Tier II SNOW Grant (Skagway Normal Operations for Wintertime) to help provide retail services to residents in hopes of keeping them both mentally and physically healthy during the long winter months in Skagway, Alaska, and to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the financial stability of Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Tier II SNOW Grant will be funded from Sales Tax; and

**WHEREAS**, to qualify for Tier II SNOW Grant funding, eligible businesses must have maintained an open storefront from November 2019 through March of 2020, paid municipal sales tax during that same period, and must commit to maintaining an open storefront from October 15, 2020 through March 31, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, for the purposes of the Tier II SNOW Grant, "storefront" shall mean an occupied room or suite of rooms in a building at street level and immediately behind a storefront, that is accessible to customers during business hours, and "retail business" means a business that sells real or tangible personal property for any purpose other than resale, as defined in SMC 4.08.005(A)(7);

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway establishes the Tier II SNOW Grant program as follows:

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Tier II SNOW Grant Funding - Retail:

- Total funding: \$150,000
- Maximum funding per business: \$6,500
- Payment will be disbursed by the end of each month from October 2020 through April 2021.
- Businesses that received funding from the Municipality's Small Business Emergency Grant program are also eligible to receive funding for the Tier II SNOW Grant program.
- If a business is closed by a state or local mandate due to COVID-19 response, they will continue to receive funding through the life of the grant program.

#### Eligibility:

- Primary place of business is Skagway, Alaska.
- Must be a retail business that sells real or tangible personal property for any purpose other than resale, as defined in SMC 4.08.005(A)(7).
- Must have maintained an open storefront from November 2019 through March of 2020.
- Must have paid municipal taxes in both the fourth quarter of 2019 and the first quarter of 2020.
- Must commit to maintaining an open storefront four days per week (minimum two hours/day) from October 15, 2020 through March 31, 2021 (a one-month closure will be allowed).
- Business agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local COVID-19 protocols, in existence and which may become necessary in the future.
- Business agrees to require employees to wear cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth at all times when indoors, and outdoors when six-foot distancing is not possible.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the Borough Assembly of

the Municipality of Skagway this 1st day of October, 2020.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

Proposed by: Administration
Attorney Review: 09/24/2020
Vote: 5 Aye 0 Nay 1 Absent

# MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 20-42R

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA ESTABLISHING THE TIER III SNOW GRANT, A PROGRAM TO HELP YEAR-ROUND NEWSPAPER, SALON, AND FUEL BUSINESSES MAINTAIN THEIR TRADITIONAL PRESENCE IN THE COMMUNITY DURING THE 2020/2021 WINTER SEASON, AND TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OF SKAGWAY.

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the Municipality of Skagway declared an emergency based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial adverse economic impacts to Skagway residents, which was confirmed by the Assembly on March 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Skagway businesses rely upon the tourism industry for financial stability; and

**WHEREAS**, the widespread cancellation of cruises to Alaska has and will continue to have a detrimental impact on all Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, impacts to the local economy due to COVID-19 travel restrictions and health mandates have been and will continue to be devastating, with an estimated total community revenue loss of approximately \$160 million for the 2020 season alone; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to implement the Tier III SNOW Grant (Skagway Normal Operations for Wintertime) to help provide services to residents in hopes of keeping them both mentally and physically healthy during the long winter months in Skagway, Alaska, and to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the financial stability of Skagway businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Tier III SNOW Grant will be funded from Sales Tax; and

**WHEREAS**, to qualify for Tier III SNOW Grant funding, eligible businesses must have been open from November 2019 through March of 2020, paid municipal sales tax during that same period, and must commit to being open from November 15, 2020 through April 15, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible businesses are newspapers, salons, and fuel providers that are not eligible for Tiers I or II of the SNOW Grant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway establishes the Tier III SNOW Grant program as follows:

Tier III SNOW Grant Funding – Newspapers, Salons, Fuel Providers:

- Total funding: \$35,000
- Maximum funding per business: \$5,000
- Payment will be disbursed at the end of each month from November 2020 through April 2021.
- Businesses that received funding from the Municipality's Small Business Emergency Grant program are also eligible to receive funding for the Tier III SNOW Grant program.
- If a business is closed by a state or local mandate due to COVID-19 response, they will continue to receive funding through the life of the grant program.

#### Eligibility:

- Primary place of business is Skagway, Alaska.
- Must be a newspaper, salon, or fuel provider business.
- Must have been open from November 2019 through March of 2020.
- Must have paid municipal taxes in both the fourth guarter of 2019 and the first quarter of 2020.
- Must commit to being open four days per week from November 15, 2020 through April 15, 2021 (a one-month closure will be allowed).
- Business agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local COVID-19 protocols, in existence and which may become necessary in the future.
- Business agrees to require employees to wear cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth at all times when indoors, and outdoors when six-foot distancing is not possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted guorum of the Borough Assembly of

the Municipality of Skagway this 1st day of October, 2020.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

(SEAL)

ATTEST: