

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 2017-31

**A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING THE
SUM TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE CITY OF UNALASKA TO THE
UNALASKA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018**

WHEREAS, the Unalaska City School District Fiscal Year 2018 Budget was received by the City of Unalaska by the April 1st deadline in accordance with UCO 2.98.090; and

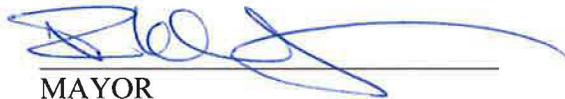
WHEREAS, within 30 days after receipt of the school budget, the City of Unalaska is required by UCO 2.98.090 to determine the total amount of money to be made available from local sources for school purposes and make available to the Unalaska City School District Board of Education a statement of the sum to be made available; and

WHEREAS, failure to furnish the Board of Education with a statement of the sum to be available would automatically approve the amount requested in the budget by the Unalaska City School District; and

WHEREAS, by June 30th, the City Council shall appropriate the amount of funds to be made available from local sources to the Unalaska City School District for educational purposes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Unalaska has established the sum to be made available for local funding of school purposes for fiscal year 2018 to be \$ 3,945,920 which includes \$2,973,365 for the maximum allowable local contribution and \$972,555 in funding beyond the set funding cap.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE
UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL THIS 25th DAY OF APRIL 2017.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK



MEMORANDUM TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

THRU: David Martinson, City Manager

FROM: Nerahoo Hemraj, Finance Director

DATE: April 17, 2017

RE: RESOLUTION **2017-31**, ESTABLISHING THE SUM OF MONEY TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE CITY OF UNALASKA TO THE UNALASKA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-18.

SUMMARY: Unalaska City Code 2.98.090 states that the School Board shall submit the school budget to the City Council by April 1st of each year. Within 30 days after receipt of the budget, the City Council must decide on the total to be made available from local sources for school purposes and provide the School Board notice of the amount to be made available. By submitting its budget on March 28, 2017, the school district met the requirements of code. Through Resolution 2017-31, Council will establish the level at which the City will fund the school district for FY2017-18.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: Each year Council adopts a resolution indicating the local contribution rate to be made to the School District for the upcoming fiscal year.

BACKGROUND: UCSD is basing their FY2017-18 budget request on the Governor's proposed Base Student Allocation of \$5,930 which is a \$-0- increase over FY-2016-17. At the time of this writing, the Legislature is in extended session and there is a chance the BSA could change, likely downward, in which case the Local Contribution Amount could also change, and only that amount would be paid to the Unalaska City School.

DISCUSSION: The School District submitted and presented their budget on March 28 to Council. Council must indicate the level at which it intends to fund the District by May 1, 2017, the 30-day deadline set out in Title 2. Therefore, Council should adopt a resolution indicating the rate (Minimum Required Local Contribution or Maximum Allowable Local Contribution) at which they plan to authorize funding. The Council must appropriate funding by June 30, 2017. For several years, the School District has requested funding at the Maximum Allowable Contribution rate plus additional funding. In the past, Council has approved UCSD's requests for the maximum allowed by the cap and for funding that falls outside of the cap.

ALTERNATIVES: The Council has four alternatives:

1. If Council wishes to fund the full request that includes \$2,973,365 for the maximum contribution and \$972,555 in funding outside the cap, for a total of \$3,945,920. Resolution 2017-31 will be approved as presented.

2. If Council wishes to fund only at the minimum required local contribution rate, Resolution 2017-31 must be amended to reflect the minimum required level of \$1,683,934 in local funding.
3. If Council wishes to fund only the request for funding at the allowable maximum level, Resolution 2017-31 must be amended to reflect the maximum local contribution level of \$2,973,365.
4. If Council wishes to fund the District's request at a level beyond the minimum required level but less than the maximum amount, Resolution 2017-31 must be amended to reflect that amount at which Council chooses to fund the district.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The School District's FY2017-18 Maximum Local Contribution request is \$2,973,365; a zero increase from the amount for FY2016-17. The maximum local request for FY 2017-18 has been reduced by \$15,239 or .51% due to a decrease in this year's assessed valuation. The funding level requested for FY2017-18 (and shown in the resolution) includes separate appropriations for community schools, preschool and food services. The additional funding that falls outside the cap totals \$972,555.

The total funding requested for FY2017-18 is the same for FY 2016-17 with no increase for the next FY year.

LEGAL: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that Council adopt a resolution which sets the funding level for FY2017-18.

PROPOSED MOTION: Move to adopt Resolution 2017-31.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS: The Manager recommends Council approval of Resolution 2017-31.