

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 2019-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE OF \$500 TO HELP SPONSOR THE RECEPTION WELCOMING THE RUSSIAN DELEGATES TO THE 30TH ANNUAL U.S. - RUSSIAN INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (ICC) MEETING IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, as a member of the Bering Sea Fishery Advisory Board, Unalaska's Mayor is attending the 30th Annual Meeting of the U.S. – Russian Intergovernmental Consultative Committee (ICC) meeting in Seattle, Washington in June 2019; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the ICC is to share fisheries information, including fishery stock data, between the two countries which both harvest fishery stocks in the Bering Sea; and

WHEREAS, such information is beneficial to the City of Unalaska, a Bering Sea Fisheries dependent community; and

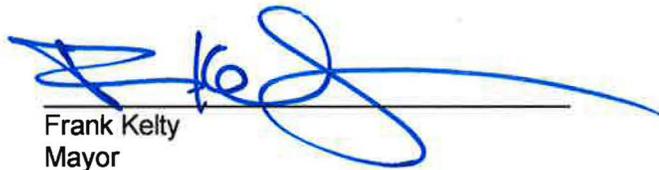
WHEREAS, the City of Unalaska has been asked to help sponsor, along with ICC members, the reception welcoming the Russian Delegates to the meeting; and

WHEREAS, the City Council determines that it is in the best interest of the City of Unalaska to help sponsor this reception; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has \$500 available in their FY19 budget for such sponsorship.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Unalaska City Council authorizes an expenditure of \$500 to help sponsor the reception welcoming Russian delegates to the June 2019 ICC Meeting.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the Unalaska City Council on May 28, 2019.


Frank Kelty
Mayor

ATTEST:


Marjie Veeder
City Clerk



MEMORANDUM TO COUNCIL

To: Unalaska City Council Members
From: Frank Kelty, Mayor
Date: May 28, 2019
Re: Resolution 2019-33, authorizing an expenditure of \$500 to sponsor the welcome reception during the June 2019 ICC Meeting

SUMMARY: I am requesting that Council authorize an expenditure of \$500 to help sponsor a welcome reception for the Russian delegates to the June 2019 ICC meeting in Seattle.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: At the May 14 meeting, council authorized funding for me to travel to the ICC meeting in Seattle. I intended to request council's authorization at that time to sponsor this reception, but it slipped my mind.

BACKGROUND: For background information, my memo dated May 7 and documents related to the ICC meeting are attached.

ALTERNATIVES: Council may choose to sponsor this event, or not.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Council's "sponsorship contingency" line item is exhausted. However, there is \$7,500 remaining in the "planned sponsorship" line item because certain FY19 budgeted sponsorships were not expended, and will not be expended for the budgeted purpose during FY19.

PROPOSED MOTION: I move to authorize an expenditure of \$500 from council's FY19 budget to sponsor the welcome reception at the June 2019 ICC meeting.

MEMORANDUM

To: Unalaska City Council Members,

CC: City Manager Thomas, Asst. Manager Reinders, City Clerk Veeder

From: Frank V Kelty, Mayor 

Date: May 7, 2019

RE: Request for Mayor Kelty travel to the June meeting of the US- Russia Intergovernmental Consultative Committee (ICC) in Seattle Washington June 18-19-2019

MEETING OVERVIEW

The ICC group meets once a year in face to face meetings to discuss and the consideration of matters with implementation of the agreement on mutual fisheries relations. The meeting rotates each year from one country to the other. I'm a member of the Bering Sea Fishery Advisory Board I was an Alaska Governor Appointee. Alaska and Washington State each have 5 that are appointed based on their knowledge and experience in commercial harvesting, processing, or marketing of fishery resources. The 10 advisors from Alaska, and Washington State they advise the representatives from the State Department in negotiations with the Russian representatives.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:

The Unalaska City Council in the past has approved the Mayor /Resource Analyst travel to attend ICC meetings.

BACKGROUND:

The ICC meets once a year, and is a great opportunity to share information with the Russian delegation on the fishery stocks especially Pollock, Marine Mammals, and Sea Birds of the Bering Sea /Aleutian Islands. We also receive briefing information from the Russian delegation on what they are seeing on their side of the Bering Sea.

The United States and the Russian Federation hold regular consultations on fisheries and marine conservation issues through a bilateral Intergovernmental Consultative Committee (ICC). This forum was originally established under a comprehensive fisheries agreement the United States concluded with the Soviet Union on May 31, 1988, and has continued under the U.S.-Russia agreement that took its place. The ICC is responsible for maintaining a mutually beneficial and equitable fisheries relationship through (1) cooperative scientific research and exchanges; (2) reciprocal allocation of surplus fish resources in the respective national 200-mile zones, consistent with each nation's laws and regulations; (3) cooperation in the establishment of fishery joint ventures; (4) general consultations on fisheries matters of mutual concern; and, (5) cooperation to address illegal or unregulated fishing activities on the high seas of the North Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea. The agreement is periodically reviewed and renewed and the current agreement expires on December 31, 2018. The current U.S. Representative to the ICC is Amba-

sador David Balton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and Fisheries Affairs. In addition, there is a 12-member "North Pacific and Bering Sea Fisheries Advisory Body" to advise the U.S. Representative to the ICC. This body includes representatives from the State of Washington, the State of Alaska, and ten other individuals nominated by the governors of those states.

DISCUSSION:

I believe it is important for the Mayor to stay involved with the ICC group; the information gathered from these types of meetings will help us understand what is going on with the ecosystem of the Bering Sea Aleutian Islands.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Council can make a motion in support of Mayors and Council Travel to the ICC meeting; or they can decline to support a motion for travel to this meeting.

FINANCIAL:

Council has the sufficient funding available in the Mayor/ City Council travel budget line item. I'm also requesting a donation on \$500 dollars from Council Contingency to assist in funding with the other US entities to fund the evening welcoming reception for the Russian attendees to the meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION:

I move to support the Mayor's travel to the ICC meeting in Seattle, Washington on June 18-19, 2019

MANAGERS COMMENTS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

The Intergovernmental Consultative Committee, meeting agenda and other meeting materials.

AGENDA
30th U.S.-Russian Intergovernmental Consultative Committee (ICC)
June 18-19, 2019

Seattle, Washington, U.S.A.

1. Opening and introduction of members of delegations
2. Election of chair and rapporteurs
3. Adoption of agenda
4. Consideration of matters connected with implementation of the Agreement on Mutual Fisheries Relations (1988).

Russian-U.S. cooperation on the study of living marine resources; status of stocks of Bering Sea pollock, seabirds, marine mammals, etc.

- 4.1. Status of Bering Sea pollock stocks
 - 4.2. Status of walruses
 - 4.3. Status of other pinnipeds
 - 4.4. Status of other marine mammals
 - 4.5. Status of crab
 - 4.6. Seabird bycatch
5. Update and status on joint research planning, data exchange, and surveys
 6. Exchange of information about cooperation on issues of law enforcement activities in the fisheries field
 - 6.1. Joint enforcement actions
 - 6.2. IUU transshipment activity
 - 6.3. Increased and improved communication
 7. Multilateral issues
 - 7.1. Review of results of the annual Conference of Parties to the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Pollock Resources in the Central Bering Sea
 - 7.2. Arctic fisheries
 - 7.2.a. Presentation on domestic and international Arctic fisheries research, discussion of areas of cooperation
 - 7.2.b. Discussion of the Arctic fisheries agreement
 - 7.3. Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction

7.4. Other Multilateral issues

8. Special Topic of Mutual Interest: Consideration of matters connected with implementation of the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of the United States of America on Cooperation for the Purposes of Preventing, Deterring, and Eliminating Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Harvesting of Living Marine Resources
9. Other matters
10. Time and place for holding the 31st ICC Meeting
11. Drafting of the Protocol
12. Signing of the Protocol; closing the meeting

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Bering Sea Fishery Advisory Board

NAME	APPOINTED	REAPPOINTED	EXPIRES
Benton, David (Juneau) AK Gov Nom/Fed Appt	11/18/2008	07/02/2012	
Burch, Alvin (Kodiak) AK Gov Nom/Fed Appt	09/19/1995	07/02/2012	
Hull, Daniel (Anchorage) AK Gov Nom/Fed Appt	07/02/2012		
Kelty, Frank (Unalaska) AK Gov Nom/Fed Appt	07/02/2012		
Kinneen, Simon (Nome) AK Gov Nom/Fed Appt	11/18/2008	07/02/2012	
Vincent-Lang, Doug (Anchorage) Commissioner – Fish and Game/Designee	01/15/2019		

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Fact Sheet

Board: Bering Sea Fishery Advisory Board

Board identification number: 130

Department: FISH & GAME

Authority: PL 100-629

Status: Active

Sunset date:

Requirements: No Legislative Confirmation or Financial Disclosure required

Prohibitions: The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 1 et seq.) shall not apply to this advisory body.

Term: No defined term

Chair: No provision.

Description: The 12 member advisory body consists of: the Director of the Department of Fisheries of the State of Washington; the Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Game of the State of Alaska; 5 members appointed by the Secretary of State from among persons nominated by the Governor of Alaska; and 5 members appointed by the Secretary of State from among persons nominated by the Governor of Washington. These members shall be appointed on the basis of their knowledge and experience in commercial harvesting, processing, or marketing of fishery resources.

Function: The advisory body on the fisheries of the North Pacific and the Bering Sea shall advise the United States representative to the International Consultative Committee created in accordance with Article XIV of the governing international fishery agreement entered into between the United States and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, as contained in the message to Congress from the President of the United States dated June 22, 1988.

Intergovernmental Consultative Committee

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In recent years, the ICC also has served as the forum for the United States and Russia to negotiate a bilateral fisheries management agreement for the Northern Bering Sea, which would enter into force upon entry into force of the 1990 U.S.-Russia maritime boundary agreement.

Special facts: The Governor of Alaska and the Governor of Washington shall each nominate 10 persons from whom the Secretary of State shall appoint.

Compensation: Members receive no compensation.

Meetings: 4-5 times per year.

For further information and to reach individual members, contact:

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