

Non-Code Ordinance

By: Museum
Introduced: February 27, 2017
Public Hearing: March 13, 2017
Adopted: March 13, 2017
Yes: Burney, Dryden, Graham, Harvey, Ledford, O'Barr
No: None
Absent: None

**City of Wasilla
Ordinance Serial No. 17-06**

An Ordinance Of The Wasilla City Council Amending The Fiscal Year 2017 Wasilla Museum Budget By Accepting And Appropriating Funds From The Rasmuson Foundation In The Amount Of \$15,000.

Section 1. Classification. This is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. Purpose. To amend the FY17 Museum Budget by accepting and appropriating funds from the Art Acquisition Fund Grant awarded by the Rasmuson Foundation and Museums Alaska to the Wasilla Museum.

Section 3. Appropriation of Funds. The funds are appropriated to the following:

Capital Purchases/Mach & Equip Grant	001.4510.451.70-46	\$15,000.00
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Section 4. Source of Funds

Contributions-Priv.Src/Rasmuson Foundation	001.4500.364.70-00	\$15,000.00
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Section 5. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption by the Wasilla City Council.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on March 13, 2017.


BERT L. COTTLE, Mayor

ATTEST:


JAMIE NEWMAN, MMC, City Clerk

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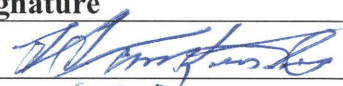


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CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT

Ordinance Serial No. 17-06: Amending The Fiscal Year 2017 Wasilla Museum Budget By Accepting And Appropriating Funds From The Rasmuson Foundation In The Amount Of \$15,000.

Originator: Bethany Buckingham Follett, Curator
Date: 2/15/2017 Agenda of: 2/27/2017

Route to:	Department Head	Signature	Date
X	Finance Director		2-14-17
X	Deputy Administrator		2/14/17
X	City Clerk		2/16/17

Reviewed by Mayor Bert L. Cottle:  2/17/2017

Fiscal Impact: yes or no Funds Available: yes or no

Account name/number:

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		Total: \$15,000.00

Attachments: Ordinance Serial No. 17-06 (1 page)
Art Acquisition Fund Award Statement (1 page)

Summary Statement: The Art Acquisitions Fund through Museums Alaska and Rasmuson Foundation allows museums and other cultural institutions the opportunity to purchase artwork by local Alaskan artists. The Wasilla Museum applied for the grant to purchase two bronze statues for the collection pertaining to mushing history here in the Valley and Alaska by Patrick Garley. This meets with our collections policy and art exhibits policy that we collect and display art depicting themes from the Matanuska-Susitna Valley region. The purchase price for the two pieces is \$15,000 and the Art Acquisition Fund granted us \$15,000 to purchase the work from Mr. Garley.

Sled dogs are an integral part of Wasilla's history. From hauling freight and gold to providing transportation for homesteaders and miners to and from town, the sled dog, musher and sled were important to settling Wasilla and Alaska. The bronze dogs are a piece of the Wasilla Mushing Monument and Memorial highlighting the history and innovation of mushing in Alaska and the world. The Dorothy G. Page Museum's mission to collect, interpret and display Wasilla culture ties into this artwork by portraying the timeless importance of Sled Dogs to Alaska.

The Wasilla Mushers Monument and Memorial is a continuing project that honors those who have made contributions to mushing and to the welfare of the sled dog. The dogs will be on display above individual bronze medallions imprinted with each inductee's information. One

dog will look towards the past wearing the historic harness used during the early 1900s, while the other dog looks towards the future in a modern harness. Both dogs represent what has happened to the world of mushing and what is to come.

Each year, Wasilla will induct a new honoree to the Mushing Monument and Memorial. The first inductee in 2014 was Jujiro Wada. Wada was a Japanese musher who came through the Wasilla area during his re-opening of the Iditarod Trail in 1908. Wasilla is a friendship city with Wada's home town of Uchiko in Ehime Prefecture in Japan. This memorial and the dogs above build upon our international ties to mushers and visitors from around the world.

Purchase of this artwork is just one part of an ongoing project to honor mushers, dogs, innovators and supporters of the mushing community locally and throughout Alaska. Each year a new inductee will be selected and honored with a bronze plaque. The artwork and monument will be on display outside the museum with informational tours available during museum hours. The Dorothy G Page Museum is open year-round and exhibits the history and impact of mushing in Alaska. The bronze artwork and wooden memorial will emit a spirit of steadfastness and timeless as the dogs will be seen in motion, through Mr. Garley's technique used to cast the sculptures.

The Artist, Mr. Pat Garley has been recognized as one of the 2016 Governor's Award For the Arts and Humanities. He has completed a multitude of monuments, sculptures and memorials including the Trailblazers statue and Jujiro Wada Statue in Seward, the life-size vegetables at the Palmer Museum and the Alaska State Troopers and Fire Departments memorials. He uses a technique over 3,000 years old, but imbues a contemporary flare with his ability to mold and shape the bronze to reflect the spirit of the piece.

Staff Recommendation: Introduce Ordinance Serial No. 17-06 and set for public hearing on March 13, 2017.



The Statewide Museum Association

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Art Acquisition Fund Award Statement

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DATE: November 9, 2016

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TO: Dorothy G. Page Museum
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SECRETARY

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RE: AAF.16.02.006 – Dorothy G. Page Round 2 AAF award
Sled Dogs Past and Present, by Patrick Garley (\$15,000)

Total Award: \$15,000

TREASURER

Michele Miller
Anchorage

Congratulations! I'm pleased to inform you that Museums Alaska has awarded a grant for the above pieces to your organization. This grant comes from the Art Acquisition Fund (AAF), one of three funds established at Museums Alaska to benefit museums, cultural centers, and individuals in the sector. Art Acquisition awards are supported by Rasmuson Foundation. *Please note: this grant is conditional on the completion of the piece. Please send notice once it is finished.*

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Please use the following wording when acknowledging the Rasmuson Foundation on labels and captions for this artwork: "Purchase of this artwork has been made possible through the support of the Rasmuson Foundation Art Acquisition Fund."

Thank you for participating in the Art Acquisition Fund.

Andrew Goldstein
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