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## MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA RESOLUTION NO. 20-34R

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 20-25R TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ALLOW NON-ESSENTIAL MEETINGS ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.

**WHEREAS**, some boards, committees, and commissions not on the essential meetings list would like to meet for specific purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Assembly would like to authorize the Mayor to allow non-essential meetings on a case-by-case basis;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Resolution No. 20-25R is amended to authorize the Mayor to allow non-essential meetings as follows [(strike through) indicates text to be deleted from and (bold underscore) indicates text added]:

**Section 1. Essential Meetings.** The following governmental bodies are required to meet at least monthly by Skagway municipal code, or are perceived by the Assembly to be critical to the Municipality of Skagway's efforts to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 in the community, and therefore meetings of the following governmental bodies as required by the municipal code are currently considered to be essential:

- a. Borough Assembly
- b. Dyea Community Advisory Board
- c. Clinic Board
- d. Impact Mitigation Task Force
- e. Planning and Zoning Commission
- f. Harbors Advisory Board
- g. Assembly Standing Committees
- h. Historic District Commission
- i. Port Commission
- Marine Highway Ad Hoc Committee

One voting member of the governmental body or committee must be physically present at the meeting to operate the telephone and/or digital recorder, except for meetings at which the borough clerk or planning clerk are required to attend by code. If a member is unable to attend the meeting for this purpose due to high-risk for COVID-19, or another reason, such meeting must be scheduled during municipal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, so staff can operate the meeting equipment at minimal risk and expense.

**Section 2. Non-Essential Meetings.** All meetings of governmental bodies not included in Section 1 are determined to be non-essential and will be canceled for the duration of the local COVID-19 emergency declaration dated March 16, 2020.

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The Mayor may allow non-essential meetings on a case-by-case basis, upon written request of the chair or a representative of the governmental body. If such request is granted, the governmental body shall adhere to the meeting requirements detailed in Section 1.

**Section 3. Effective Date.** 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

(SEAL)

