

Proposed by:	Assemblymember Potter
Attorney Review:	08/13/2021
Vote:	6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Absent

**MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 21-24R**

**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 June 17, 2021, the Skagway Borough Assembly declared a financial emergency due to the substantial economic risk that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to pose to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Skagway accepted a \$2,000,000 donation from Norwegian Cruise Lines (NCL) for the purpose of providing economic relief to the community due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and will allocate \$1,200,000 of these funds for small business assistance grant programs, pursuant to Ordinance No. 21-12; 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, 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;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway establishes a Small Business Emergency Grant program, that will be administered by the municipal Administration Department, which may do so with the assistance of the Skagway Development Corporation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Finance Committee will develop and approve the Small Business Emergency Grant program criteria, eligibility, and procedures, and forward them to the Assembly for final approval.


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 19th day of August, 2021.



Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:



Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

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