

## Alaska Railroad Corporation Board of Directors Real Estate Committee Agenda

Date: January 16, 2025 Time: 9:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

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## **Customer Communication:**

Customer Meetings

## **Board Action Items:**

- AFE's / Resolutions to be presented to the Board:
  - Resolution No. 2025-01 Relating to a Second Increase in Funding for Access Improvements to the Rail Complex (AFE No.11076 S-2)
- > Contracts to be presented to the Board:
  - Contract 21134 Pioneer Park Hospitality, LLC Fairbanks

## Briefing / Update

Real Estate Customer Marketing Survey- Results

#### Seward

- Dock Traffic
- Tariff Update
- Passenger Dock and Terminal Project (A portion of this discussion may be held in Executive Session to address confidential financial and legal matters.)

#### Whittier

- Whittier Seafoods Update
- Whittier Master Plan
- City of Whittier Waterfront Plan
- Land Purchase, Sale, Exchange

## Anchorage

- Odom Building
- Freight Shed Truss Repairs Completed
- 90th Fur Rendezvous February 20- March 2
- 200 Post Road LLC
- Alaska Industrial Paint 1300 North Post Road

## Matanuska-Susitna Borough

• Port MacKenzie Rail Extension

### Fairbanks

- Aurora Energy
- Customer Party

#### Nenana

• EPA Community Change Grant

## Executive Session Agenda:

 Other matters, if any, appropriate for Executive Session that are identified by the Committee members and successfully moved for inclusion in the Executive Session."

Committee Members: Committee of the whole

## Adopted:

Resolution No. 2025-01

Relating to a Second Increase in Funding for Phase 3 of Access Improvements to the Rail Complex (AFE No. 11076 S-2)

WHEREAS, the Alaska Railroad Corporation ("ARRC") owns several acres of prime, mostly undeveloped land located to the west of the Anchorage Historical Depot in the ARRC Anchorage Reserve (the "Rail Complex Land"); and

WHEREAS, located on the Rail Complex Land is a building owned and occupied by 49<sup>th</sup> State Brewing Company ("49<sup>th</sup> State"), which leases the underlying land from ARRC; and

WHEREAS, it is critical to ARRC's prospects for developing the undeveloped portion of the Rail Complex Land, as well as important to the success of ARRC's lessee, 49<sup>th</sup> State, and its tenant that safe, reliable access is available to the Rail Complex Land and 49<sup>th</sup> State's building; and

WHEREAS, ARRC designed a multi-year project to reconfigure, widen and pave the existing access road, known as Depot Drive, which connects First Avenue to the Rail Complex Land; and

WHEREAS, ARRC began construction of the Depot Drive Project in 2019 and has constructed or will construct additional phases of the Project in 2020 through 2027, including Phase 3 planned for 2023; and

WHEREAS, in November 2022, the ARRC Board of Directors approved, as part of the ARRC 2023 Capital Budget, AFE No. 11076 in the amount of \$750,000, in order to fund the work on Phase 3 of the Depot Drive Project planned for 2023, based on preliminary cost estimates; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2024, based on his approval authority with respect to unbudgeted or overrun expenditures, the President and CEO approved AFE No. 11076 S-1 in the amount of \$295,000 due to higher construction costs than initially expected and delays to allow for utility relocations, bringing the total amount of AFE No. 11076 at that time to \$1,045,000; and

WHEREAS, proposed AFE No. 11076 S-2 would increase project funding by \$67,326 in order to address (i) increased costs related to unforeseen soil conditions that required higher-than-expected handling costs due to greater volumes of both material exports and imports than set out in the original scope of work; and (ii) unbudgeted environmental disposal permitting charges imposed by the Municipality of Anchorage and associated post-contract award changes; and

WHEREAS, approval of the additional funding provided by AFE No. 11076 S-2 will align the Depot Drive Project budget with actual spending in preparation for completion and closeout of the project; and

WHEREAS, funding for this project will be 100% ARRC internal funds; and

WHEREAS, the authority of ARRC's President & Chief Executive Officer to approve an unbudgeted or overrun capital expenditure is limited to matters with an estimated total cost of no more than \$300,000, with higher estimated cost matters requiring Board approval pursuant to ARRC's Approval Authority Guide.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the ARRC Board of Directors has considered the proposed increase in funding for Phase 3 of the Depot Drive Project presented by ARRC Management and hereby approves AFE No. 11076 S-2 in the amount of \$67,326 for the purposes stated therein which brings the total amount of AFE No. 11076 to \$1,112,326.

# Alaska Railroad Corporation Authorization for Expenditure Form

For Accounting Use Only

AFE# 11076 S-2

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General Information:				
AFE Title:	2023 Depot Dr. Improvements Phase 3			
Prepared By:	Angela Lacina			
Resp. Center (Name):	Real Estate/Faci	lities		
Resp. Center (#):	8900			
Depreciation Center:	8900-Real Estate			
Line of Business:	Real Estate/Facilities			
Spending Timetable:				
2023	\$		750,000	
2024	\$		362,326	
2025	\$		-	
2026	\$		-	
2027	\$		-	
Total	\$		1,112,326	
Other Information				
Useful Life (Years):			25	
Annual Depreciation:		\$	44,493	
Estimated Annual Operating Costs		\$	_	

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Included in Capital Budget:						
Capital Budget	Year:	2023	Budg	geted		
Total Amount	\$			1,112,326		
Source of Funding	ARRC		\$	1,112,326		
Source of Funding			\$	-		
Source of Funding			\$	-		
Grant Number	N/A					
Grant Name	N/A					
AFE History:						
	Amou	unt	Dat	e Prepared		
Original AFE	\$	750,000		12/15/22		
Supplemental #1	\$	295,000		04/11/24		
Supplemental #2	\$	67,326		11/21/24		
Supplemental #3	\$					
Supplemental #4	\$	-				
Supplemental #5	\$	_				
Supplemental #6	\$	-				
Supplemental #7	\$	_				
Total	\$ 1,	112,326				

Required Signatures for Approval:					
(if applicable)	Last Name(s) (Print)	Signature	Date		
Project Manager:	Shane Maloney	Shane Maloney	1/9/2025		
Responsible Owner:	Andrew Donovan	Andrew Donovan	1/10/2025		
VP, Owner Department:	Christy Terry	Cluristy terry	1/9/2025		
Functional User(s):	Andrew Donovan	Andrew Donovan	1/10/2025		
Chief Operating Officer:	Clark Hopp				
Grant Administration:	Christina Isabelle-Glover	N/A			
Chief Financial Officer:	Michelle Maddox	Michelle Maddox	1/10/2025		
Accounting Department:	Amy Kinnanman	K Sow	1/10/2025		
CEO & President:	Bill O'Leary	Bill O'leary	1/9/2025		
Board of Directors:	John Shively				

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#### Is this project related to health and/or safety?

Yes

If yes describe:

Repairing the damaged 1st Ave road will increase local traffic safety, and defining the Depot Dr. bus route and pedestrian traffic areas will separate vehicle traffic from pedestrian movement.

Removing the overhead lines and utility poles will allow for expansion of the property and eliminate the hazards associated with increased traffic under these lines.

#### Scope of Work:

Project will include extension of Depot Dr. 300' to accommodate tractor trailer and passenger bus traffic for tenants and ARRC customers. The project will eliminate traffic on unpaved wash boarded roads, connect the bus lane to the main road, as well as general filling and grading of the area to improve drainage. Additionally, Chugach Electric will begin removing utility poles and relocating the overhead lines that cross the area underground. ARRC will be responsible to pay for a portion of the cost of this project.

300' road extension: \$425.000

ARRC utility relocation responsibility: \$325,000

Supplemental No.1 increases project funding to complete original scope of work. This project was delayed a year to allow CEA to relocate overhead utilities underground within the footprint of the proposed Depot Dr project. As a result of the delay, project engineering estimates were higher than anticipated due to increased material and labor costs.

Supplemental No.2 increases project funding by \$67,326 due to unforeseen soil conditions that required more material exports, imports, and handling costs that where not account for in the original scope of work. Additionally, there was unbudgeted environmental disposal costs and post contract award changes that were imposed by the Municipality or Anchorage permitting department that were not included in the original budget. This cost increase will align the project budget with actual spend in preparation for closeout and capitalization.

#### **ARRC Business Justification**

With the newly developed businesses and residential units, the area is experiencing a greater traffic volume. This has caused the need to deconflict ARRC passenger service bus traffic and patron and tourist traffic visiting the local businesses. Connecting the bus lane to the road and defining the drivable areas, will increase safety during passenger operations, as well as eliminate standing water and large mud puddles that buses would have to drive through.

Removing the overhead lines and utility poles will allow for expansion of the property and eliminate the hazards associated with increased traffic under these lines.

#### **Alternatives Considered:**

Postpone phase 3 of project and delay improvement plan.

### **Preliminary Budget:**

Line Description	Amount
Equipment	\$ -
Labor (Fully Burdened)	\$ 20,000
Materials	\$ -
Contracts	\$ 1,092,326
Other Expenses	\$ -
Total	\$ 1,112,326

Note: All health and/or safety related project(s) should be the highest ranked project(s) in the department.

## LEASE SUMMARY

LESSEE: Pioneer Park Hospitality, LLC CONTRACT NO: 21134

**LEASE DESCRIPTION:** Tract 10 of Chena Landings Subdivision, within the ARRC Fairbanks Reserve, containing 149,105.88 square feet (3.42 acres), more or less.

KEY CONTRACT I	PROVISIONS:	
Estimated Effective Date: January 1, 2025	Prior Annual Rent: \$63,370.05 annually	
Lease Term: Forty (40) Years	Rent Rate: 8%	
Option to Extend: N/A	Rent Adjustment: Rent adjusted every 5 years	
Lease Area: 149,105.88 sq. ft., more or less.  Base Annual Rent: \$63,370.05 (based on 2024 appraised value)	with adjusted annual rent not to exceed 135% of the prior year's annual rent or to decrease to less than 65% of the prior year's annual rent; except in lease year 35, when rent will be adjusted to fair market value without any caps of	
<u>appraised value)</u>	floors.	
PUBLIC NOTICE: Yes, public comment will expire Ja	anuary 26, 2025.	
LEGAL REVIEW: Yes		
INTENDED USE: Hotel operations consistent with Le	essee's business.	
SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Lessee curra term of thirty-five (35) years. The current lease is due continue to invest in upgrades of existing improvements Lease for financing purposes. Approval is recommended.	e to expire July 31, 2029. Lessee plans to s and is requesting a new forty (40)-year Ground	

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_ Board Meeting Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Jennifer Mergens

ARRC Board Secretary













