

Proposed by:	Mayor Cremata
Attorney Review:	05/29/2020
Vote:	6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Absent

**MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION NO. 20-22R**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE & ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAM TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE COMMUNITY OF SKAGWAY.**

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the Municipality of Skagway declared an emergency based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial adverse economic impacts to Skagway residents, which was confirmed by the Assembly on March 19, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Skagway residents and the municipality rely upon the tourism industry for financial stability; and

**WHEREAS**, many Skagway residents are unable to be employed in the tourism industry for an undetermined amount of time due to the widespread cancellation of cruises to Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, employment options for Skagway residents that provide for working off site or remotely in other industries are limited; and

**WHEREAS**, secondary impacts to the local economy due to COVID-19 travel restrictions and health mandates will be devastating, with an estimated total community revenue loss of \$160 million for the 2020 season; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to implement an Emergency Assistance & Economic Stimulus Program to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the health and financial stability of the Skagway community; and

**WHEREAS**, economic assistance to residents of the Municipality of Skagway due to the impacts of COVID-19 and the federal and state emergency measures related to COVID-19 is an authorized use of CARES Act funding under the Federal Treasury guidelines;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway considers expenditures to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 on the local economy to be necessary expenditures in accordance with the CARES Act and CARES Act funding and establishes the following policy for an Emergency Assistance & Economic Stimulus Program:

- Applications will be accepted upon receipt by the Municipality of Skagway of the first Coronavirus Relief Fund grant payment from the State of Alaska.
- Assistance will be provided in the form of a check payment.

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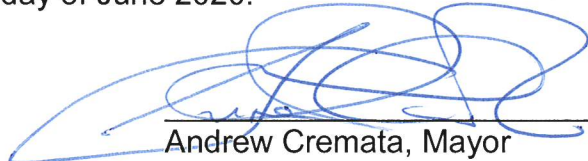
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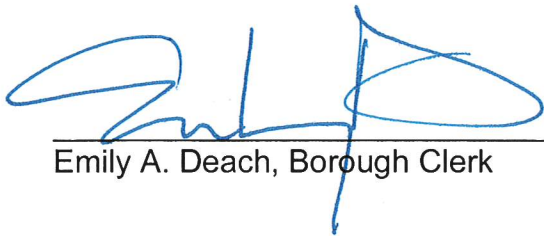
- Applications must be submitted monthly, and applicants must include receipts or bills for necessary expenditures as determined by the Municipality of Skagway: rent, mortgage, non-municipal utilities, heating fuel, vehicle fuel, medical, food, other necessary items purchased in Skagway, or expenses approved on an individual basis.
- To be eligible, applicants must provide two pieces of proof of residency in Skagway issued on or before June 4, 2020.
- Applicant and all persons listed on the application must currently reside in Skagway and provide a local Skagway physical address and post office box mailing address.
- The program will include a monthly per-person funding cap which may be adjusted administratively depending on funding availability, and an initial appropriation of \$1,000 to each applicant; and \$1,000 for spouse/partner and/or each dependent residing with the applicant.
- This program is dependent on Coronavirus Relief Fund grant funding and will be in place until grant funding is depleted or the expiration of the program, whichever comes first.
- The Municipality of Skagway may take steps to streamline administration of this program.

**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 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.

  
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Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

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