

nlcc RESOLUTION 23-001

REGARDING THE POSITION OF THE NLCC ON THE ENGSTROM-BOGARD ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

1. PREAMBLE AND RELEVANT BACKGROUND FACTS

- a. The Engstrom-Bogard intersection has, under the pressure of increased population growth in the Mat-Su Valley and road-construction choices made elsewhere along Bogard, become extremely congested and dangerous. It is nearly impassable at certain times of day.
- b. A project to improve the intersection has been undertaken and funded. As of the time of writing, design for the new intersection is mostly complete and rights-of-way are being acquired for the purpose of construction.

2. POSITION STATEMENT

- a. As of the time of writing, the NLCC represents a critical part of the Core Area, consisting of approximately 3,000 households and 10,000 voters.
- b. At the meeting of the NLCC held on 26 January 2023, a resolution was formally adopted by majority vote of the general membership present that the position of the NLCC on this matter is that we recommend the following:
 - i. That close and timely coordination between the MSB and and the Alaska DOT be maintained in order to move this project aggressively through rights-of-way acquisition, final design, contracting, and construction.
 - ii. That if possible, a longer-range view be taken in developing and approving ROW acquisition at this intersection, and specifically that a tentative Phase II design be penciled out for additional lanes, bike paths, and lighting, and that ROW acquisition be expanded to include these future needs, insofar as that can be accomplished without any negative impact to any portion of the project timeline.

- c. This position statement shall be read into the record by the Intergovernmental Liaison, or other duly appointed representative of the NLCC, at the next scheduled meeting of the appropriate agency, or at the soonest practical opportunity thereafter.

Signed,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Theron Bair', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Theron Bair
President, NLCC