

**RESOLUTION NO. 5054**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS TO APPLY FOR  
CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING ON BEHALF OF GOLDEN  
HEART UTILITIES FOR A BIO-SOLIDS INCINERATION PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are in countless commercial, consumer, and industrial products, and have unique physical properties, which make them persistent and mobile; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the prevalence and evolving concerns around the risks they may pose to human health and the environment, the City of Fairbanks (City) is committed to investigating viable options for remediating PFAS contamination; and

**WHEREAS**, the Peger Road Wastewater Treatment Plant has been operated by Golden Heart Utilities (GHU) under the terms of a lease-purchase agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, GHU has not exercised its option to purchase the treatment plant, opting to continue leasing the facility from the City; and

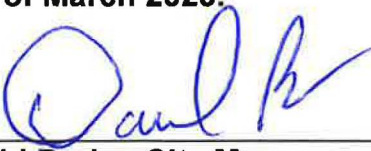
**WHEREAS**, Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) is a spending provision in federal appropriations legislation that allows the federal government to collaborate with state and local entities to address the community needs; and

**WHEREAS**, GHU would like to apply for CDS funding in the amount of \$1,500,000 for a bio-solid incineration pilot project to eliminate PFAS contaminants; and

**WHEREAS**, in the event that a match is required, GHU will provide the full amount of the match.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute any and all documents required to apply for CDS funding on behalf of Golden Heart Utilities by the City of Fairbanks.

**PASSED and APPROVED this 13th Day of March 2023.**

  
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David Pruhs, City Mayor

AYES: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
APPROVED: March 13, 2023

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

  
Thomas Chard, City Attorney

**CITY OF FAIRBANKS**  
**FISCAL NOTE**

**I. REQUEST:**

Ordinance or Resolution No: 5054

Abbreviated Title: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDING FOR GHU BIO-SOLIDS PROJECT

Department(s): GENERAL

Does the adoption of this ordinance or resolution authorize:

1) additional costs beyond the current adopted budget? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

2) additional support or maintenance costs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

If yes, what is the estimate? see below

3) additional positions beyond the current adopted budget? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

If yes, how many positions? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, type of positions? \_\_\_\_\_ (F - Full Time, P - Part Time, T - Temporary)

**II. FINANCIAL DETAIL:**

| PROJECTS:                          | TOTAL              |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| GHU BIO-SOLIDS REMEDIATION PROJECT | \$1,500,000        |
|                                    |                    |
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|                                    |                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                       | <b>\$1,500,000</b> |

| FUNDING SOURCE:      | TOTAL              |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| GRANT FUND (FEDERAL) | \$1,500,000        |
|                      |                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>\$1,500,000</b> |

The City of Fairbanks has a lease-purchase agreement with Golden Heart Utilities (GHU) for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. GHU would like to request congressionally directed spending for a bio-solid remediation pilot project to eliminate PFAS contaminates. If required, GHU will provide matching funds for this project.

Reviewed by Finance Department: Initial mb Date 3/8/2023