Introduced by: Mayor Pruhs
Councilmember Therrien
Councilmember Tidwell
Councilmember Ringstad
Councilmember Marney
Councilmember Cleworth
Councilmember Sprinkle
Date: April 14, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5169

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT AND COMPLETION OF A NATURAL GAS PIPELINE FROM THE NORTH SLOPE, INCLUDING A FAIRBANKS CONNECTOR, TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND ENERGY BENEFITS TO FAIRBANKS AND THE INTERIOR REGION

WHEREAS, Alaska has abundant natural gas reserves on the North Slope, offering a significant opportunity to enhance energy security and economic development for the state; and

WHEREAS, the completion of a natural gas pipeline from the North Slope is critical for delivering affordable and reliable energy to Fairbanks and Interior Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the development of a natural gas pipeline would stimulate economic growth through the creation of jobs, lower energy costs, and increased opportunities for local residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation has advanced plans for the Alaska LNG project, a major infrastructure initiative that would connect North Slope natural gas to markets throughout the state and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the availability of affordable natural gas would support local air quality improvement efforts and help Fairbanks transition to cleaner and more sustainable energy sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council fully supports the development, completion, and operation of a natural gas pipeline from the North Slope to South Central Alaska, ensuring access to affordable natural gas for Alaskans.

SECTION 2. The City Council encourages the State of Alaska and relevant stakeholders to prioritize pipeline construction to include an integrated connection for the Fairbanks Metropolitan Area and local military installations that ensures a cost-effective and sustainable supply of natural gas for Interior Alaska.

SECTION 3. The City Council authorizes the Mayor and other City officials to advocate for and participate in discussions, agreements, and initiatives that support this project and benefit City residents.

SECTION 4. The City Council directs the City Clerk to distribute a copy of this resolution to the Alaska Congressional Delegation, the Alaska State Legislature, the Honorable Governor Dunleavy, the Honorable Donald Trump, President of the United States, and Frank Richards, President of the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation, and Randy Ruaro, Executive Director of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA).

SECTION 5. The effective date of this resolution is six days after adoption.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th Day of April 2025.

David Pruhs, City Mayor

YEAS:

Marney, Cleworth, Ringstad, Tidwell, Therrien, Sprinkle

NAYS:

None

ABSENT

None -

APPROVED: April 14, 2025

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney