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July 17, 2015

Aimee Kniazowski  
City Manager, City of Kodiak  
710 Mill Bay Road  
Kodiak, AK 99615

*Via email*

Dear Aimee:

As you know I represent a group of citizens that are extremely concerned over the current gravel pit development on the south end of Near Island. The gravel pit is currently operating on land zoned conservation by the Kodiak Island Borough and has negatively impacted trails and destroyed the character and nature of the conservation land itself. I appreciate that you took the time to meet with me again on July 7, 2015 to discuss these concerns. In that meeting I set forth a win-win proposal to resolve ongoing citizen concerns, as well as further the City's plans and goals with respect to the area. You requested that I formalize the proposal in writing. The proposal is as follows:

1. The boundaries of the gravel pit are clearly outlined and agreed upon. To that end I met with Glenn Melvin and Lon White on July 15 and requested minor changes to the existing boundary in a small area. They agreed to discuss my request with the gravel pit operators to see if the requested minor adjustments to the boundary of the pit and fence line would pose a challenge, and get back to me in the next week or so.
2. The remaining land adjacent to the current gravel pit is formally designated as South End Park, which would include all remaining conservation land on this side of the road, extending from South End Point to the area immediately across from Rotary Park.
3. The City will request that this area, to be designated as South End Park, will be re-zoned by the Kodiak Island Borough to "natural use" and the City places a conservation easement on the land pursuant to AS 34.170.10-100.
4. The City will develop a comprehensive plan to restore the trails that have been destroyed, and improve other trails within South End Park where necessary.
5. The City will reforest and re-vegetate the land that has been negatively impacted by the gravel mining and strive to restore the previous character and integrity of the land.

Tania Silva-Johnson  
Paralegal

Jill Wittenbrader, Owner  
Attorney at Law

I appreciate your attention in this matter and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss the details of the proposal further.

Sincerely,



Jill Wittenbrader

cc: Lon White, City of Kodiak Harbormaster  
Glenn Melvin, City of Kodiak Engineer

Pat Branson, Mayor  
Members of Kodiak City Council