CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA RESOLUTION 03-15-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY AT THE MAY 12, 2015 SPECIAL CITY ELECTION THE QUESTION OF AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTION 9 OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA CHARTER TO PERMIT CITY COUNCIL TO ESTABLISH MANAGEMENT OF CITY-OWNED HEALTHCARE FACILITIES BY ORDINANCE AND TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A SEPARATE HEALTHCARE FACILITIES SERVICES BOARD

WHEREAS, Article XIII, Section 1 of the Charter of the council by resolution may propose and submit or provide for the qualified voters of the City at any regular or special election held not less than two months after passage of the resolution; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 9 of the Charter of the City of Cordova provides that city-operated healthcare facilities, including the hospital, shall constitute, or be a part of, an administrative department and that these facilities shall be under the administrative supervision and control of a board established by ordinance and appointed by the Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is currently exploring management options for City-owned healthcare facilities that would provide the greatest quality care and believes it is in the City's best interest to have as many management options as possible available to it, including options that would require dissolution of the Health Services Board and/or removal of City-owned healthcare facilities from the management of other administrative departments; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to amend Article III, Section 9 of the City Charter to 1) apply to all City-owned healthcare facilities; 2) remove language requiring a separate board to manage City-owned healthcare facilities; and 3) to permit Council to remove, via ordinance, City-owned healthcare facilities from City administration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska:

Section 1. The City shall submit the following proposition to the qualified voters of the City at the special election to be held in the City on Tuesday, May 15, 2015. The proposition must receive an affirmative vote from a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question to be approved.

PROPOSITION NO. 1

AMENDMENT OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA CHARTER ARTICLE III, SECTION 9 CONCERNING MANAGEMENT OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES OWNED BY THE CITY OF CORDOVA

Shall Article III, Section 9 of the City of Cordova Charter be amended to read as follows?

Section 3-9. City-Owned Healthcare Facilities.

The city-owned hospital and all other city-owned healthcare facilities shall constitute, or be a part of, an administrative department unless the Council determines otherwise via ordinance.

Section 2. The proposition, both for paper ballots and machine ballots, shall be printed on a ballot which may set forth other propositions, and the following words shall be added as appropriate and next to a space provided for marking the ballot for voting by hand or machine:

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Yes	

No

Section 3. This resolution becomes effective upon adoption by the Council and the proposed charter amendment shall become effective upon approval of a majority of the voters pursuant to City Charter Section 13-1.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 4th DAY OF MARCH, 2015.

Jim Kacsh, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk