From: Karin Sturdy ksturdy@cityofseward.net

Subject: RE: Community Project Support Needed

Date: Mar 9, 2018 at 1:19:36 PM

To: Amy Hankins inalaska73@hotmail.com

Dear Amy,

Thanks to you and your community groups for working toward this highly valuable project.

## To Whom It May Concern:

Seward Parks and Recreation Department supports the efforts of the P.A.R.K.S. group as they work toward building biking recreation in Seward. P.A.R.K.S. has identified that our community is extremely limited in biking routes or places. As a rural Alaskan community, we are limited in paved or hard-packed surfaces appropriate for biking, too. We hope your granting agency supports this P.A.R.K.S. request for funding which will provide healthy recreation for all age groups of our friends and neighbors and for our hundreds of thousands of annual summer visitors.

Our parks and recreation department worked closely with PARKS in 2007 and 2008 as they built our community playground in Waterfront Park. They were organized, focused, fiscally responsible and highly effective! P.A.R.K.S. completed the project the right way, and the playground remains a "must-see" visit in Seward. The community continues to point to P.A.R.K.S. and the community playground as an example of Alaskan grit, "can-do attitude," town togetherness and community pride. This is an organization you can trust.

Thank you very much,
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