

DENALI BOROUGH, ALASKA
PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO PC 13-05

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FURTHER STUDY OF
THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF OPERATING THE
CLEAR AIR FORCE STATION POWER PLANT

WHEREAS, the Clear Air Force Station (Clear AFS) is located within the Denali Borough; and

WHEREAS, Clear AFS operates a 22.5 megawatt cogeneration plant which provides electricity and heat to the AFS; and

WHEREAS, the Air Force has conducted two studies to determine which option, continued use of the Clear AFS Central Heat and Power Plant (CHPP) or buying electricity from Golden Valley Electric Association and burning oil for heat, is more economically viable; and

WHEREAS, the Air Force originally estimated that mothballing the Clear CHPP and purchasing power from the grid would save approximately \$8.8 million per year; and

WHEREAS, the Air Force released a summary six months later that changed the estimated savings to \$1.6 million per year; and

WHEREAS, there exists a \$7 million discrepancy in potential savings between the two analyses and that inconsistency has not been sufficiently explained to the public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: as the Denali Borough residents will be greatly impacted by the final decision put forward by the Air Force, the Denali Borough Planning Commission supports another cost-benefit analysis be conducted and that the methodology and results be shared openly with the citizens of the State of Alaska.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED: that the Denali Borough requests a copy of or access to all cost analyses that have been and will be performed on the Clear Air Force Station CHPP closure.

PASSED and APPROVED by the DENALI BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION this 16TH day of April, 2013.

Mary B. McKinley
Deputy Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Janice L. Cogan
Deputy Clerk



Vote: YEA: GRIGGS, JUSCZAK, MCKINLEY, MENKE, MERCER
NAY: 0
ABSENT: JONES, MICHAELS