

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**

**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)**

**Grant Recipient: Nome**

**Project Title:**

**Nome - Fire Fighting Vehicle**

**State Funding Requested: \$ 500,000**  
One-Time Need

**House District: 39 - T**

**Brief Project Description:**

Purchase of a new Fire Fighting Vehicle for the Nome Volunteer Fire Department

**Funding Plan:**

**Total Cost of Project: \$750,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Local Funds	\$250,000	2008				
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>					

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The City of Nome and the Nome Volunteer Fire Department is seeking financial support from the State of Alaska for the purchase of a new fire fighting vehicle. The estimated cost of the identified vehicle is \$700,000 plus shipping. The City is requesting \$500,000 in State assistance and will provide match funds from City and other appropriate funding sources.

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**Project Timeline:**

September 2008 through June 2009

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

City of Nome

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

Contact Name: Denise Michels

Phone Number:(907) 443-6600

Address: P.O. Box 281 Nome, Alaska 99762

Email: mayor@ci.nome.ak.us

Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority?  Yes  No



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Brooks Chandler, City Attorney	Sandy Babcock, City Clerk



# CITY OF NOME

*Celebrating 100 Years of Gold Rush History*

Incorporated April 9, 1901

January 17, 2008

The Honorable Sarah Palin, Governor  
The Honorable Lyda Green, Senate President  
The Honorable John Harris, Speaker of the House

Subject: 2008 State Legislative Priorities for the City of Nome, Alaska

Dear Fellow Alaskans:

The City of Nome is pleased to provide you with its 2008 State Legislative Priorities. The Nome Common Council conducted meetings with Citizens, Boards and Commissions and adopted resolutions endorsing the capital projects and position statements for inclusion in this session's Legislative Priorities package.

We find ourselves with the strong will to continue investing in our community. Nome desires to improve our economic base and to pursue and develop long-range projects that will provide stable employment for our Citizens. Nome's aggressive approach to move forward is evidenced by seeking projects that will improve the quality of life for the Citizens of Nome, our welcomed visitors and for the surrounding villages, who view Nome as the center for many of their needs.

We work closely with our local partners to diversify and strengthen our economy. We do seek State assistance to help us meet the demands and needs of our citizens.

We seek the State of Alaska's assistance and support for Capital Projects and Legislative Positions contained within this document. The City has prioritized the following capital projects for consideration:

1. Water and Sewer Infrastructure Improvements; and
2. Public Safety Building.

The City has identified other issues of importance to the community meriting state consideration:

- A. Nome Recreation Center Upgrades;
- B. Nome School Capital Improvements;
- C. NJUS Power Generation Issues;
- D. Nome Volunteer Fire Department – Fire Truck;
- E. Museum Design – Historic Preservation and Tourism Development;

- F. Alaska Army National Guard Readiness Center;
- G. Consortium Library with the University of Alaska;
- H. Pioneer/Veterans Home in Northwest Alaska;
- I. State Fiscal Issues; and
- J. Support of Transportation Infrastructure Funding Planning.

We will actively promote State assistance for these items through our lobbyist, Ms. Wendy Chamberlain. She will be able to assist you on these projects and can describe our need and interest for the projects included within the Legislative Priorities. The City's staff and I are available and eager to provide additional information to you and your staff. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 443-6610 or Mr. Donald Moore, City Manager at 443-6600.

We thank you for your continuous support and consideration of our 2008 Legislative Priorities.

Sincerely,  
CITY OF NOME, ALASKA

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise Michels", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

DENISE MICHELS  
MAYOR



Presented by:  
Mayor  
Action Taken:  
Yes 5 No 0  
Abstain 0

CITY OF NOME, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. R-07-12-04A

**A RESOLUTION ENDORSING PROJECTS AND POSITION STATEMENTS  
FOR THE CITY OF NOME 2008 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing and joint work session of the Nome City Council, Nome Joint Utility Board, Nome School District Board, Nome Planning Commission, and Nome Port Commission was held in Nome, Alaska on Thursday, December 6, 2007; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is with unanimity that the following prioritized projects are considered worthy of advocacy to State of Alaska legislative and administrative leaders:

Priority #1- Water and Sewer infrastructure Improvements;

Priority #2 - Public Safety Building; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is with unanimity the following Community Infrastructure items are considered worthy of advocacy to State of Alaska legislative and administrative leaders:

Nome Recreation Center Upgrades;  
- Space Reorganization/Remodel  
- Skating Facility

Nome School Capital Improvements;  
- Nome Elementary School Hot Water Boiler System Replacement  
- CIP (FY09) Nome Building D & E Roof Replacement  
- Nome Elementary School Gym Floor Replacement

NJUS Power Generation Issues;  
- Fuel Line Relocation  
- Protection/Relocation of Electrical Distribution Facilities in Flood Prone

Areas

- Power Plant Construction Completion  
- Utility System Security & Surveillance  
- Develop Alternative Energy Production Sources  
- Study Alternate Power and Fuel Source

Nome Volunteer Fire Department – Fire Truck;

Museum Design -Historic Preservation and Tourism Development;

Alaska Army National Guard Readiness Center;

Consortium Library with the University of Alaska;

Pioneer/Veterans Home in Northwest Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, it is with unanimity that the following legislative position statements are supported by the City of Nome and considered worthy of advocacy to State of Alaska legislative and administrative leaders:

State Fiscal Issues;

- Support for Restoration of Municipal Revenue Sharing
  - Support for PERS/TERS Liability Funding and Establishment of a Program to Insure a Sustainable Retirement System
- Department of Transportation Planning;
- Long Range Community/ Infrastructure Development Nome Airport

Master Plan

- Support of Transportation Infrastructure Funding

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Nome City Council endorses the aforementioned items for inclusion in the City of Nome 2008 State of Alaska Legislative Priorities Package.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008.



Stan Andersen, Presiding Councilman

ATTEST:



SANDY STURGIS-BABCOCK, City Clerk/Treasurer