

## Preserving Cordova's past for the future... A community museum and educational facility.

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Re: Cordova Covered Outdoor Spaces Project cordovacoveredspaces@gmail.com

August 12, 2022

Letter of Support

To Whom It May Concern,

We, the Board of the Cordova Historical Society, wish to express our support for the motivating vision of the Cordova Covered Outdoor Spaces Project. They propose to nurture the development of public use covered spaces along the shoreline from Hartney Bay to downtown Cordova and along Orca Road with a spur out Power Creek Road along Lake Eyak. Covered outdoor spaces in Cordova are rare and valued and we hope to see more.

The Project envisions connecting multiple covered spaces with different route maps which would include information about history, botany, wildlife, culture, and art. These covered spaces would create a new destination experience for visitors and locals alike.

This opportunity to educate people both about Cordova's natural resources and its historic past speaks directly to our own guiding mission. We believe that learning about a locale's place in history creates a sense of connection and understanding. Indeed, the Cordova Historical Society is currently evaluating a project for an outdoor display of a wooden seine boat which could well become a stop along the 'Bay to Bay' necklace of visitor destinations.

We wish to encourage the development of public use spaces along our shoreline and Lake Eyak and support the efforts of the Cordova Covered Outdoor Spaces Project.

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Sincerely,

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President, Cordova Historical Society