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**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY**

**Assembly Chambers, Z. J. Loussac Library
3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska**

Minutes for Regular Meeting of October 17, 2006

18 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

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20 The Assembly Meeting was convened by Chair Sullivan at 5:04 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers, Room 108 of the
21 Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street in Anchorage, Alaska.

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23 **2. ROLL CALL** A Quorum was achieved with Assemblymembers present.

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25 PRESENT: Allan Tesche, Janice Shamberg, Paul Bauer, Anna Fairclough, Dan Sullivan, Debbie Ossiander, Chris
26 Birch, Dan Coffey, Ken Stout, Dick Traini and Pamela Jennings.

27 ABSENT: None.

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29 **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Municipal Manager Denis LeBlanc led the pledge.

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31 **4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS** None.

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33 **5. MAYOR'S REPORT**

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35 Mayor Begich reported on topics of interest, including a report on minority hiring in the Anchorage Police Department,
36 information on the status and earnings of the Municipal Trust Fund, an article on violent crime in the nation, an update
37 on Girdwood development and an article in the National U.S. Conference of Mayor's Newsletter on climatic change,
38 summarized from the Mayor's Conference that he hosted last month in Anchorage.

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40 **6. ASSEMBLY CHAIR'S REPORT** None.

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42 **7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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44 Mr. Stout reported that AO 2006-140, the Code of Ethics, was introduced October 10th, with Public Hearing set for
45 November 14th. The Ethics Committee was scheduled to meet on October 27th, from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. He requested
46 that all questions be directed to Assembly Counsel Julia Tucker, in preparation for discussion. School Board President
47 Jeff Friedman and School Superintendent Carol Comeau continued their review and comment. Connie Jones, the
48 newest Ethics Committee member, had been diligent in her review of the ordinance. Mr. Stout appreciated everyone's
49 involvement and was looking forward to the conclusion of the Ethics Code.

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51 **8. ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

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53 Chair Sullivan called for a motion and read the Addendum items. He called for additional items and AR 2006-285,
54 AR 2006-286 and AO 2006-150 were added and assigned Agenda Numbers 9.A.2, 9.B.6 and 9.F.12, respectively. He
55 then called for additional Addendum items and there being none, he called for a vote to incorporate the Addendum
56 items into the Consent Agenda.

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58 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve the inclusion of the Addendum items
59 Ms. Ossiander seconded, into the Consent Agenda,
60 and this motion was passed.

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62 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.

63 NAYES: None.

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65 Chair Sullivan called the Question on the Consent Agenda.

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67 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve the Consent Agenda,
68 Ms. Fairclough seconded,

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70 Chair Sullivan called for Assemblymembers to request items be pulled and moved to the Regular Agenda for
71 discussion.

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73 **9. CONSENT AGENDA**

74 **9.A. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- 1 9.A.1. Resolution No. AR 2006-274, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly and Mayor Mark
2 Begich to welcome AFN Delegates to the **41st Annual Alaska Federation of Natives Convention**
3 October 23-28 at the Egan Convention Center; Mayor Begich; Assemblymembers Bauer, Birch,
4 Coffey, Fairclough, Jennings, Ossiander, Shamberg, Stout, Sullivan, Tesche and Traini.
5 **(Addendum)**
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7 Mr. Coffey requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. *(See item 10.A.1)*
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- 9 9.A.2. Resolution No AR 2006-285, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizing and
10 honoring **Buster Hall** for his persistence and commitment to the Anchorage community; Mayor
11 Begich; Assemblymembers Bauer, Birch, Coffey, Fairclough, Jennings, Ossiander, Shamberg, Stout,
12 Sullivan, Tesche and Traini. **(Laid on the Table)**
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14 Ms. Fairclough requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. *(See item 10.A.2)*
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16 **9.B. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - OTHER**

- 17 9.B.1. Resolution No. AR 2006-265, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage providing for the
18 appropriation of a grant totaling \$65,088 from the State of Alaska, Department of Education and
19 \$1,007 as a voluntary contribution from the 2006 Library Operating Budget Areawide General Fund
20 (101) to the State Categorical Grants Fund (231), Office of Economic and Community Development for
21 **800# Interlibrary Loan and Reference Backup Services**; Office of Economic and Community
22 Development/Library.

23 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 760-2006.

- 24 9.B.2. Resolution No. AR 2006-266, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage providing for the
25 appropriation of \$5,000 from Budget Year 2006 donations from the Anchorage Library Foundation and
26 \$2,205 from numerous citizen donations to the Miscellaneous Operational Grants Fund (261), Office
27 of Economic and Community Development, for the purchase of **library books and materials**; Office
28 of Economic and Community Development/Library.

29 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 761-2006.

- 30 9.B.3. Resolution No. AR 2006-272, a resolution authorizing the disposal of municipal interests on **Tracts A**
31 **and B, Providence – Chester Creek Subdivision** (per Plat 2004-169) via relinquishment, the parcel
32 generally located in the S1/2 of Section 28, T13N, R3W, S.M., Alaska (south of the intersection of
33 Providence Drive and UAA Drive); Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility. **(Addendum)**

34 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 772-2006.

- 35 9.B.4. Resolution No. AR 2006-273, a resolution authorizing disposal of municipal interests on **Lots 2, 3, 6,**
36 **7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 28, 29, and 32 of Block 1, Campbell Lake Heights Subdivision** (Plat 63-12); and Lot
37 11, Campbell Lake Subdivision Addition No. 1 (Plat P-619), generally located on the south side of
38 Campbell Lake, Anchorage; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility. **(Addendum)**

39 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 773-2006.

- 40 9.B.5. Resolution No. AR 2006-276, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly requesting changes
41 at the **Ted Stevens International Airport** to accommodate airport passengers seeking service
42 between Chugiak-Eagle River and the Airport; Assemblymembers Fairclough and Ossiander.
43 **(Addendum)**
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45 Ms. Fairclough requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. *(See item 10.B.5)*
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- 47 9.B.6. Resolution No. AR 2006-286, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly providing for a
48 **monument dedication** ceremony that will assist our community in recognizing, honoring and
49 remembering our fallen Alaskans who have served in the global war on terrorism; Assemblymembers
50 Birch and Coffey. **(Laid on the Table)**
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52 Mr. Birch moved, *to introduce AR 2006-286,*
53 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
54 and Mr. Coffey was the concurring third.
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56 Mr. Birch requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. *(See item 10.B.6)*
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58 **9.C. BID AWARDS**

- 59 9.C.1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 757-2006, recommendation of award to Western Construction &
60 Equipment for Providing year round road maintenance services in the **Mt Park/Robin Hill Limited**
61 **Road Service Area** for the Municipality of Anchorage; Maintenance & Operations Department (ITB
62 26-B061) (\$135,000), Purchasing.

- 63 9.C.2. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 777-2006, recommendation of award to Roger Hicel Contracting,
64 Inc. for the **DeBarr - Muldoon to Turpin Water Upgrade - Schedule B** for the Municipality of
65 Anchorage, Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (ITB 26-C070) (\$1,533,000); Purchasing.
66 **(Addendum)**

- 67 9.C.3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 778-2006, recommendation of award to North Star Paving and
68 Construction, Inc. for the **Chester Creek Force Main Relocation** for the Municipality of Anchorage,
69 Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (ITB 26-C065) (\$1,453,950); Purchasing. **(Addendum)**
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71 **9.D. NEW BUSINESS**

- 72 9.D.1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 749-2006, **Assembly Meeting Schedule (February – August 2007)**;
73 Assembly Chair Sullivan.

- 74 9.D.2. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 748-2006, **Icans Lounge #1078 – Transfer of Ownership of a**
75 **Beverage Dispensary Liquor License (Northeast Community Council)**; Clerk's Office.
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77 Mr. Stout requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. *(See item 10.D.2)*

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- 3 9.D.3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 758-2006, recommendation of award to Barnes Architecture Inc. for
- 4 providing professional **architectural services** on an "as required" basis to the Municipality of
- 5 Anchorage, Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (RFP 26-P026) (\$300,000); Purchasing.
- 6 9.D.4. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 759-2006, proprietary purchase of **computer software, manual**
- 7 **dispatch cardsets, training, and annual maintenance support** from Priority Dispatch Corporation
- 8 for the Municipality of Anchorage, Anchorage Fire Department (AFD) (\$38,600); Purchasing.
- 9 9.D.5. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 775-2006, **Board of Equalization** appointments (David "Mike"
- 10 Burns, Eva Loken, Mark Lutz, Vernon Rush, Kathleen Broquet, Mary Cox, Bert Dozark,
- 11 Roger Henderson, James C. Picard); Municipal Clerk. (**Addendum**)

12 **9.E. INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

- 13 9.E.1. Information Memorandum No. AIM 113-2006, **2005 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards,**
- 14 **State Financial Assistance Reports and required Federal Information**; Finance/Controller.

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16 Ms. Ossiander requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.E.1*)

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- 18 9.E.2. Information Memorandum No. AIM 114-2006, **contracts awarded between \$50,000 and \$100,000**
- 19 **through formal competitive processes** for the month of September 2006; Purchasing.

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21 **9.F. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION**

- 22 9.F.1. Ordinance No. AO 2006-141, an ordinance of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, authorizing and
- 23 providing for the borrowing from the State of Alaska Drinking Water Fund of an aggregate amount not
- 24 to exceed \$31,857,600 for the purpose of financing a portion of the costs of various **AWWU 2006**
- 25 **Capital Improvement Budget (CIB) Water Improvements Projects** in the Municipality, and
- 26 providing for related matters; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 27 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 750-2006.
- 28 9.F.2. Ordinance No. AO 2006-142, an ordinance of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, authorizing and
- 29 providing for the borrowing from the State of Alaska Clean Water Fund of an aggregate amount not to
- 30 exceed \$23,992,000 for the purpose of financing a portion of the costs of various **AWWU 2006 Capital**
- 31 **Improvement Budget (CIB) Sewer Improvements Projects** in the municipality, and providing for
- 32 related matters; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 33 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 751-2006.
- 34 9.F.3. Ordinance No. AO 2006-143, an ordinance of the Municipality of Anchorage amending anchorage
- 35 Municipal Code Section 11.60.200 to adjust **mandatory airport fees and charges**; Merrill Field
- 36 Airport. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 37 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 764-2006.
- 38 9.F.4. Ordinance No. AO 2006-144, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Subsection
- 39 21.15.012, Table A, to correct the **maximum lot coverage** of all buildings in the R-2A, R-2D and R-
- 40 2M Zoning Districts (Planning and Zoning Commission Case 2006-123); Planning Department.
- 41 (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 42 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 765-2006.
- 43 9.F.5. Ordinance No. AO 2006-145, an ordinance repealing and re-enacting Anchorage Municipal Code
- 44 Section 6.50.030 to update the **Investment Policies and Practices** of the Municipality and rescinding
- 45 the reporting requirements in Assembly Resolutions No. 93-187(S-1) and No. 79-54; Finance. (*Public*
- 46 *Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 47 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 766-2006.
- 48 9.F.6. Ordinance No. AO 2006-146, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Section 6.50.060 to
- 49 authorize alternative investments and strategies consistent with practices followed by established
- 50 endowment funds in order to further diversify holdings of the **MOA Trust Fund** and to enhance future
- 51 potential returns; Finance. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 52 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 767-2006.
- 53 9.F.7. Ordinance No. AO 2006-147, an ordinance authorizing the Municipality to be a member and
- 54 participant in the **Alaska Municipal League Investment Pool, Inc.**, approving the standard terms and
- 55 conditions of a Common Investment Agreement, and authorizing fund transfers for investment;
- 56 Finance. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 57 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 768-2006.
- 58 9.F.8. Resolution No. AR 2006-267, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$1,347,000
- 59 from the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services and a contribution of \$109,000 from the
- 60 2006 General Government Operating Budget, Department of Health and Human Services Areawide
- 61 General Fund (101) to the State Categorical Grants Fund (231) for the **Child Care Licensing**
- 62 **Program**; Health and Human Services. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 63 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 762-2006.
- 64 9.F.9. Resolution No. AR 2006-268, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$130,000 from
- 65 the **Upper O'Malley Limited Road Service Area (LRSA) Fund Balance (Fund 143)** to the Upper
- 66 O'Malley LRSA BY2006 Operating Budget (Fund 143) for year round road maintenance services and
- 67 summer work projects; Maintenance & Operations Department. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*)
- 68 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 763-2006.
- 69 9.F.10. Ordinance No. AO 2006-148, an ordinance authorizing a lease between the Municipality and Alaska
- 70 Digitel, LLC of ground space for a community interest tower and support equipment on municipal
- 71 property legally described as **Abbott Road Subdivision, Tract B** (per Plat 99-120), Anchorage
- 72 Recording District, commonly referred to as the Water Reservoir Compound west of Service High
- 73 School; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*) (**Addendum**)
- 74 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 774 -2006.
- 75 9.F.11. Resolution No. AR 2006-275, a resolution adopting the **Housing and Community Development**
- 76 **2007 Annual Action Plan** of the Municipality of Anchorage, which constitutes the application to the U.
- 77 S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Community Development Block

1 Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), the American Dream
2 Downpayment Initiative (ADDI) and the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG). This resolution seeks to
3 appropriate the annual entitlement grants from HUD, program income, and recaptured funds in the
4 amount of \$1,941,992 of 2007 CDBG entitlement, \$90,000 of anticipated CDBG program
5 income/recaptured funds, \$1,008,847 of 2007 HOME entitlement, \$25,488 of 2007 ADDI entitlement,
6 and \$83,168 of 2007 ESG entitlement, and to appropriate said funds to the Federal Categorical Grants
7 Fund (241); and to make CDBG program awards to Alaska Legal Services, Anchorage Literacy
8 Project, Salvation Army, and Rural Alaska Community Action Program for CDBG public service
9 projects; Department of Neighborhoods. (*Public Hearing 10-31-06*) (**Addendum**)

10 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 776-2006.

11 9.F.12. Ordinance No. AO 2006-150, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending
12 Anchorage Municipal Code Section 21.55.020 to **reduce minimum lot sizes** required for separate
13 sale of abutting nonconforming lots of record; Assemblymembers Tesche and Coffey. (**Laid on the**
14 **Table**)

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16 Mr. Tesche moved, *to introduce* AO 2006-150, with Public Hearing set
17 Mr. Coffey seconded, for November 14, 2006,
18 and Ms. Ossiander was the concurring third.

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20 Chair Sullivan called the Question on the remainder of Consent Agenda.

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22 and the motion, as amended, was passed.

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24 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.
25 NAYES: None.

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27 The amended Consent Agenda was approved and Chair Sullivan led the body into discussion of the pulled items.

28 29 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

30 31 **10. REGULAR AGENDA**

32 **10.A. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

33 10.A.1. Resolution No. AR 2006-274, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly and Mayor Mark
34 Begich to welcome AFN Delegates to the **41st Annual Alaska Federation of Natives Convention**
35 October 23-28 at the Egan Convention Center; Mayor Begich; Assemblymembers Bauer, Birch,
36 Coffey, Fairclough, Jennings, Ossiander, Shamberg, Stout, Sullivan, Tesche and Traini.
37 (**Addendum**)

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39 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve AR 2006-274,
40 Ms. Fairclough seconded,
41 and this was approved without objection.

42
43 Mr. Coffey read the resolution into the record, welcoming Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) Convention to
44 Anchorage on October 23rd to 28th. The Municipality encouraged the AFN to hold future conventions in Anchorage and
45 stated that the Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center would be available for future conventions.

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47 Chair Sullivan, on behalf of the Assembly and the Administration, extended a warm welcome to the AFN. He thanked
48 Mayor Begich for his efforts in securing the convention's return to Anchorage.

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50 Mayor Begich thanked all of the volunteers who had offered to participate in all aspects of the convention.

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52 Ms. Jennings welcomed all the delegates from all over Alaska, to Anchorage.

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54 10.A.2. Resolution No AR 2006-285, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly recognizing and
55 honoring **Buster Hall** for his persistence and commitment to the Anchorage community; Mayor
56 Begich; Assemblymembers Bauer, Birch, Coffey, Fairclough, Jennings, Ossiander, Shamberg, Stout,
57 Sullivan, Tesche and Traini. (**Laid on the Table**)

58
59 Ms. Fairclough moved, approve AR 2006-285,
60 Ms. Jennings seconded,
61 and the motion was passed without objection.

62
63 Ms. Fairclough read and Ms. Jennings presented the resolution, recognizing and honoring Buster Hall for his
64 contributions to the Anchorage Community, including working to establish Anchorage as a national convention site.
65 Anchorage would be hosting the USA-Canadian Lions Leadership Forum in September, 2011, the largest out-of-state
66 convention ever booked in the city, with an estimated economic impact of \$3.1 million dollars. Mr. Hall accepted the
67 resolution and thanked Mayor Begich, his sister-in-law Ms. Jennings and the Anchorage Convention and Visitors
68 Bureau for their assistance with establishing Anchorage as a national convention site.

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70 Mayor Begich thanked Mr. Hall for his hard work, helping secure the Lions Club Convention in Anchorage.

71 72 **10.B. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - OTHER**

73 10.B.5. Resolution No. AR 2006-276, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly requesting changes
74 at the **Ted Stevens International Airport** to accommodate airport passengers seeking service
75 between Chugiak-Eagle River and the Airport; Assemblymembers Fairclough, [and] Ossiander,
76 Sullivan, Tesche, Stout, Shamberg, Bauer, Jennings and Traini. (**Addendum**)

1 Ms. Fairclough moved, to approve AR 2006-276,
2 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
3 and this motion was passed without objection.
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5 Chair Sullivan, Ms. Ossiander, Mr. Tesche, Mr. Stout, Ms. Shamberg, Mr. Bauer, Ms. Jennings and Mr. Traini
6 requested to be added as cosponsors.
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8 Ms. Fairclough read the resolution into the record, requesting changes and improvements to accommodate airport
9 passengers seeking transportation to and from Chugiak and Eagle River.
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11 Ms. Ossiander thanked the Assemblymembers who supported this resolution. People living in Chugiak-Eagle River
12 did not have taxi service and relied on the shuttle to get to the airport.
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14 10.B.6. Resolution No. AR 2006-286, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly providing for a
15 **monument dedication** ceremony that will assist our community in recognizing, honoring and
16 remembering our fallen Alaskans who have served in the global war on terrorism; Assemblymembers
17 Birch ~~and~~ Coffey, Traini, Stout, Ossiander, Fairclough, Bauer, Tesche, Chair Sullivan and Jennings .
18 **(Laid on the Table)**
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20 Mr. Birch moved, to approve AR 2006-286,
21 Mr. Coffey seconded,
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23 Mr. Birch moved, to amend AR 2006-286 on Page 1, Line 27 and Page 2, Line
24 Mr. Coffey seconded, 1, *by changing* to read: WHEREAS, soldiers, [~~sailors,~~
25 and this was later amended, airmen, Coastguard and Marines"] "**military personnel**" from
26 and approved without objection. the great state of Alaska have bravely and dutifully served
27 and continue to serve, in an effort to ensure our freedoms
28 and preserve our way of life; and,;
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30 Mr. Stout recommended using 'military personnel,' which was accepted as a friendly amendment by Mr. Birch and Mr.
31 Coffey. Chair Sullivan stated this change could also be made on Page 2, Line 1. Mr. Birch and Mr. Coffey concurred.
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33 Mr. Traini requested that if there were problems with the funding, that it be paid from the Assembly Budget.
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35 To Chair Sullivan, Deputy Municipal Manager Michael Abbott responded that this request was for a plaque on an
36 existing monument and would not require additional process through municipal boards or commissions.
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38 Mr. Traini, Mr. Stout, Ms. Ossiander, Ms. Fairclough, Mr. Bauer, Mr. Tesche, Chair Sullivan and Ms. Jennings
39 requested to be added as cosponsors.
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41 Mr. Birch read the resolution into the record. Accepting the resolution on behalf of Alaskan military personnel and their
42 families were Sharon Long, Corporal Cody Inman, Corporal Jordan Matukonis, Lance Corporal Ross St. John and
43 Corporal Joshua Tempel, with the United States Marine Corps. Ms. Long responded that these soldiers were
44 members of the Alaskan Marine Corps Reserve Unit and had recently returned from participating in Operation Iraqi
45 Freedom. She thanked the Assembly for recognizing the brave Alaskans who had stepped forward in the global war
46 on terrorism to defend our freedoms and for commemorating those who had lost their lives in combat.
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48 Mr. C.W. Floyd, Military and Veteran Affairs Coordinator for the Municipality, stated that honoring these military
49 personnel was the right thing to do.
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51 Mayor Begich stated that the Administration would work with the Assembly and Mr. Floyd.
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53 **10.C. BID AWARDS** None were pulled for review.
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55 **10.D. NEW BUSINESS**

56 10.D.2 Assembly Memorandum No. AM 748-2006, Icons Lounge #1078 – Transfer of Ownership of a
57 Beverage Dispensary Liquor License (Northeast Community Council); Clerk's Office.
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59 Mr. Stout moved, to approve AM 748-2006,
60 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
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62 Mr. Stout stated that the attached paperwork indicated that there had been an inordinate amount of problems with the
63 parking lot, with stolen vehicles and theft of things from inside vehicles.
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65 Mr. Coffey stated that this involved a foreclosure on a license, so the person who had operated in the fashion indicated
66 in the police reports would no longer be operating. Changing ownership to the former owner may address those
67 concerns.
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69 Ms. Ossiander stated that she also had requested additional information on this strip club, because of its history.
70 Anchorage Police Chief Rob Heun responded that extra police patrols had responded to calls received during the
71 summer, most of which were in the parking lot. The calls ended in June and it had been quiet since the business had
72 closed. He responded the previous owner had no history of problem calls.
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74 Mr. Bauer had received a complaint on the owner who operated the business as a strip club. He understood the
75 former owner was taking over the business, getting rid of the adult entertainment and turning the bar into a more
76 respectable place.
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1 To Ms. Ossiander, former owner Jeannette Johnson, responded that she was the previous owner and was getting the
2 bar back and would be changing it to a sports bar. It would no longer be a strip bar.

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4 To Mr. Stout, Ms. Johnson responded that when she had been the owner there were no problems in the parking lot.
5 Her new ownership would involve new clientele.

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7 Mr. Coffey stated that the Assembly did not have basis to protest Ms. Johnson regaining ownership.

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9 and this motion passed without objection.

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11 **10.E. INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

12 10.E.1. Information Memorandum No. AIM 113-2006, **2005 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards,**
13 **State Financial Assistance Reports and required Federal Information;** Finance/Controller.

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15 Ms. Ossiander moved, to accept AIM 113-2006,
16 Mr. Coffey seconded,

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18 Ms. Ossiander stated that the audit had noted one finding, with a correction to credit the grant with interest earnings.
19 Chief Fiscal Officer Jeff Sinz responded that the interest would be posted to the grant and would be available for
20 appropriation, consistent with the original grant.

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22 and this was approved without objection.

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24 **10.F. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION** None were pulled for review.

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26 **11. OLD BUSINESS AND UNFINISHED ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

27 11.A. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 666-2006, recommendation of award to HR Redmond Co. Inc. for
28 providing year round road maintenance services in the **Girdwood Valley Service Area** for the
29 Municipality of Anchorage, Maintenance & Operations Department (ITB 26-B063) (\$500,000);
30 Purchasing. (*Approved 9-26-06; Notice of Reconsideration was given by Ms. Shamberg 9-26-06;*
31 *Reconsidered 10-10-06; Action was Postponed from 10-10-06*)

- 32 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 666-2006(A), recommendation of award to HR Redmond Co.
33 Inc. for providing year round road maintenance services in the Girdwood Valley Service Area
34 for the Municipality of Anchorage, Maintenance & Operations Department (ITB 26-B063)
35 (\$500,000); Purchasing. (**Laid on the Table**)

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37 Chair Sullivan summarized the history of this item and explained that a substitute version was Laid on the Table. He
38 called the Question on the A-version.

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40 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AM 666-2006(A),
41 Mr. Tesche seconded,

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43 Ms. Shamberg stated that she had been assured by Purchasing Officer Bart Mauldin and Girdwood Board of Directors
44 Chair John Gallup that this agreement was satisfactory to everyone. Mr. Mauldin responded that everything was
45 summarized in the memorandum, including the information requested by Mr. Tesche, concerning the negotiations.
46 There had been price corrections and the term of the agreement had been changed from five to three years.

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48 To Ms. Jennings, Mr. Mauldin responded that the letter from the Redmond Company, Inc., to which she referred, had
49 already been addressed and had been resolved. Mr. Coffey responded that he was in communication with the
50 Redmonds' representative, who indicated that all concerns had been resolved.

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52 Mr. Birch stated that he was pleased with the negotiations and a successful bid. In the future, caution needed to be
53 displayed in the bidding and review process that would affect the parties involved. He encouraged the Girdwood
54 Board of Supervisors to be involved early in the process to be satisfied with the bid solicitation.

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56 Ms. Shamberg thanked the Assemblymembers for the opportunity to reconsider this matter, finding something
57 agreeable to the residents in the whole community.

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59 To Chair Sullivan, Mr. Mauldin responded that the three-year term had been requested by the board. Municipal
60 Attorney James Reeves concurred and stated that the process had been followed and was legal under Code.

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62 Ms. Jennings thanked Mr. Mauldin and the Girdwood Board for working it out.

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64 and this motion was passed, 11-0.

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66 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.
67 NAYES: None.

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69 11.B. Ordinance No. AO 2006-103, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending
70 Anchorage Municipal Code Chapter 25.35, **Anchorage Community Development Authority**, to
71 require Assembly approval of expenditures over \$3 million; Assemblymember Stout.

- 72 1. Information Memorandum No. AIM 83-2006.
73 (*Carried Over from 8-15-06; Public Hearing was Closed 8-29-06; Action was Postponed from 8-29-06*)

74
75 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and called the Question.

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77 Mr. Stout moved, to approve AO 2006-103,

1 Mr. Bauer seconded,

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3 Mr. Stout stated that he had been concerned that the \$6 million expenditure without Assembly approval was excessive
4 and a lower cap needed consideration. This had been discussed at a recent worksession and he was no longer
5 concerned that the \$6 million was a problem. Chair Sullivan responded that it was important for the Assembly to be
6 involved with the process and he appreciated Mr. Stout's efforts.

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8 Mr. Stout moved, *to postpone indefinitely* AO 2006-103,
9 Mr. Bauer seconded,
10 and this was passed without objection.

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12 11.C. Ordinance No. AO 2006-95, an ordinance amending the zoning map and providing for the rezoning of
13 approximately 2.3 acres from R-2M (Multiple Family Residential District) to R-3 SL (Multiple Family
14 Residential District with Special Limitations), for **Eastview Estates Subdivision, Tract A**; generally
15 located at Peck Avenue and Wanner Circle (Northeast Community Council) (Planning and Zoning
16 Commission Case 2005-140); Planning Department.

17 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 434-2006.

18 (*Public Hearing was Closed 10-10-06; Action was Postponed from 10-10-06*)

19 2. Ordinance No. AO 2006-95(S), an ordinance amending the zoning map and providing for the
20 rezoning of approximately 2.3 acres from R-2M (Multiple Family Residential District) to R-3 SL
21 (Multiple Family Residential District with Special Limitations), for Eastview Estates
22 Subdivision, Tract A; generally located at Peck Avenue and Wanner Circle (Northeast
23 Community Council) (Planning and Zoning Commission Case 2005-140); Planning
24 Department.

25
26 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and called the Question.

27
28 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to approve* AO 2006-95(S),
29 Mr. Coffey seconded,

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31 Mr. Coffey stated that the S-version had incorporated the agreement into the proper format and all parties were in
32 agreement.

33
34 Ms. Ossiander commended both the community council and the developer for a cooperative process that would result
35 in a good project. There was progress being made with resolving the concerns of traffic flow in the area of Melody
36 Commons. Deputy Municipal Manager Michael Abbott responded that the gate would be installed, with a combination
37 of homeowner and city expense, and would deter cut-through traffic that concerned Melody Commons residents. To
38 Ms. Ossiander's question, Planning and Zoning Administrator Jerry Weaver responded that a zoning requirement
39 included construction of the principle access to Muldoon. Ms. Ossiander stated that as development continued in
40 Muldoon, there would be many cases like this, where residential areas needed protection.

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42 To Ms. Jennings, Mr. Weaver responded that Peck Street would eventually go through, to Muldoon.

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44 Ms. Jennings moved, *to amend* AO 2006-95(S) on Page 2, Line 9, *by changing*
45 Ms. Ossiander seconded, ~~[deter]~~ "interfere with" the views of Melody Commons.;

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47 To Ms. Ossiander, Mr. Weaver responded that the new language was the same language proposed by the Northeast
48 Community Council, and the meanings of each were interchangeable.

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50 and this was approved without objection.

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52 and the main motion, as amended, was passed, 11-0.

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54 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.

55 NAYES: None.

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57 11.D. Ordinance No. AO 2006-104(S), an ordinance amending the zoning map and providing for the
58 rezoning of approximately 53.52 +/- acres, from I-1 (Light Industrial), R-2M (Multiple Family
59 Residential), and R-3 (Multiple Family Residential) to B-3 SL (General Business with Special
60 Limitations) and PLI (Public Lands and Institutions), for **Proposed Tracts A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H,**
61 **Creekside Subdivision** per Preliminary Plat S-11451, Exhibit A; generally located north of DeBarr
62 Road and west of Muldoon Road (Northeast Community Council) (Planning and Zoning Case 2006-
63 010); Planning Department.

64 (*Amended 10-10-06; Action was Postponed from 10-10-06*)

65 1. Ordinance No. AO 2006-104(S-1), an ordinance amending the zoning map and providing for
66 the rezoning of approximately 53.52 +/- acres, from I-1 (Light Industrial), R-2M (Multiple
67 Family Residential), and R-3 (Multiple Family Residential) to B-3 SL (General Business with
68 Special Limitations) and PLI (Public Lands and Institutions), for Proposed Tracts A, B, C, D, E,
69 F, G, and H, Creekside Subdivision per Preliminary Plat S-11451, Exhibit A; generally located
70 north of DeBarr Road and west of Muldoon Road (Northeast Community Council) (Planning
71 and Zoning Case 2006-010); Planning Department.

72
73 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and stated that a motion to approve by Ms. Ossiander, seconded by Ms.
74 Fairclough, the substitute version (*S-version*) was on the floor.

75
76 Mr. Bauer moved, *to amend* AO 20096-104(S) on Page 3, Line 41, *by changing*
77 Ms. Fairclough seconded, *to read; [Mini] "Self" storage and vehicle storage facilities.;*

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2 Ms. Jennings stated that these decisions had already been made by the community and she opposed.

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4 and this was passed,
5 with one objection from Ms. Jennings.

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7 Mr. Bauer stated this matter had been ongoing since July of 2005. Referring to the Traffic Impact Study (TIS), he
8 noted the statistics indicated a traffic increase if the rezone was not approved. The developer would build, regardless.
9 The TIS did not show a significant number of people opposing. He distributed copies of a June 2005 community
10 survey which showed a majority of those surveyed had heard about the issue, strongly favored Wal-Mart in that area
11 and felt that Wal-Mart had a positive effect on the community. In summary, he stated that the community welcomed a
12 Wal-Mart,

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14 Ms. Ossiander stated that she found two differences between the S-version and the S-1-version, including the stand-
15 alone gun shops and the mini storage. Heritage Land Bank Executive Director Robin Ward responded that the S-1
16 version had been created because of the definition of 'mini' storage.

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18 Ms. Jennings stated that this matter was the hardest decision that she had had to make in three years. She
19 understood the neighbors' concerns, but the decision being made by the Assembly was not whether a Wal-Mart was
20 going to be built or not, but rather what kind of Wal-Mart it would be. The developers had indicated that they would
21 build a Wal-Mart and a Sam's Club on the industrial property they owned there, regardless of the outcome of the
22 rezone. The Administration had negotiated successfully to make the development close to the town center concept,
23 with improvements that included a 100-foot-wide boulevard with landscaping with a planted median, pedestrian
24 walkways, and 85-foot landscaped buffers and fences. She stated that by including the special limitations in the
25 ordinance, they were binding and the additions to this industrial property offered improvements to the community. She
26 would support the Wal-Mart rezone.

27
28 Mr. Stout stated that the Assembly had recently received a conceptual drawing of the proposed Wal-Mart, which
29 showed a much more attractive facade and appeared to be different than what had been suggested by Wal-Mart. He
30 requested that the facade drawings be included with the ordinance. Mayor Begich concurred and supported entering
31 the Dowling Wal-Mart design concepts into the document. This was appropriate to include as part of the record. Mr.
32 Stout stated that he originally had doubts if he would support the Wal-Mart development. After many weeks of
33 communicating with Wal-Mart's corporate headquarters he concluded there would be a Wal-Mart there anyway. The
34 Assembly was simply trying to get as many amenities as possible and Mayor Begich had done that. The facility being
35 offered was the best that the community could hope for. He would support the rezone.

36
37 Mr. Birch supported the rezone. Politics was the art of compromise and this represented a truly positive addition for
38 the community and a long-standing effort in developing a well structured and good looking addition to Anchorage. The
39 community would be supportive of the concessions and improvements being made by the developer. This was
40 industrially zoned property, surrounded by high density residential, and what was being offered was outstanding. He
41 eagerly supported the rezone.

42
43 Ms. Shamberg opposed the rezone. P&Z was advisory to the Assembly and they had unanimously opposed the
44 rezone, and had remained firm on that decision. Wal-Mart had promised a park and road work, but that was not worth
45 the harm this would do to the neighborhood. The concessions that had been negotiated were amenities commonly
46 made by big box stores across the nation. Building Wal-Mart would take away the quietness and peace in the
47 neighborhoods. Those who had agreed to the conditions were operating under fear of what Wal-Mart could build if not
48 given the rezone or what might be proposed if the land sold to another developer. She applauded those who had
49 worked hard to get the concessions, which needed to be routinely included for big box stores. If there was going to be
50 a store, she was pleased to see that at least it would be a better store.

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52 Mr. Traini moved,
53 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
54 and this was later amended,

to amend AO 2006-104(S) on Page 3, Line 42, Section 4.D,
Prohibited Uses and Structures, *by adding to read*; [~~"25.
Overnight parking or storage of motor homes and other
recreational vehicles."~~] **"25. The site shall not allow
storage or overnight camping of trailers or recreational
vehicles."**

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59 Mr. Traini stated that Wal-Mart had a history of offering overnight camping. This conflicted with a local recreational
60 vehicle (RV) park close to that area. He urged support for the amendment.

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62 To Ms. Ossiander, Mayor Begich responded that the Administration had communicated with Wal-Mart and other big
63 box stores, requesting that overnight parking be prohibited. Planning Department Administrator Jerry Weaver
64 responded that it was an appropriate amendment.

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66 Mr. Birch stated that Anchorage was a tourist-friendly community and providing overnight parking for someone passing
67 through was reasonable. He opposed the amendment.

68
69 Mr. Stout, who traveled with his RV, stated that it was a welcome reprieve to find a place that you could pull into
70 overnight and re-supply, and be able to rest before continuing traveling. Often times there was no RV parking
71 available. There were no restrictions for overnight parking on city streets. He would not support extended overnight
72 parking, but he would not support the amendment.

73
74 Ms. Jennings supported the amendment. To her question, Mr. Weaver responded that there was a difference between
75 mobile home parks and overnight parking. The Traini Amendment would offer clarity.

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1 Ms. Shamberg stated that this provision was already included in the big box store ordinance. She supported the
2 amendment.

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4 Mayor Begich supported the amendment. The city was currently enforcing the law, not allowing overnight parking and
5 the amendment clarified what was already included in the big box store ordinance.

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7 Mr. Coffey stated that overnight parking was covered in the big box store ordinance and applied to all big box stores.

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9 Mr. Stout stated that overnight parking was encouraged for school parking lots during the summer. Mayor Begich
10 responded that the schools maintained their own policies and maintained permanent resident RV camped at the
11 schools, monitoring the lot for the summer.

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13 Chair Sullivan stated that Code provisions of big box stores already prohibited overnight parking, which would apply to
14 this development. The Assembly could approve the Traini Amendment in addition to the existing provision.

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16 Mr. Coffey requested that the language already used for big box stores be used for the Traini Amendment. Chair
17 Sullivan concurred, that language should be used that was already approved in Code. Mr. Traini accepted this as a
18 friendly amendment, with the concurrence of Ms. Ossiander, the second.

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20 and this motion, as amended, was approved without objection.

21
22 Mr. Coffey stated that there were additional public benefits and approval of this ordinance would be in the best interest
23 of the adjacent neighborhoods and the city, and would conform to Title 21. The big box store ordinance did not offer
24 the additional improvements that had been added to this ordinance, including the additional requirements for buffers,
25 design standards for all four sides of the building or road improvements on many streets. The many additions would
26 be required for Wal-Mart to comply with the law. These improvements were better than what other options may be
27 available with a business in an industrially zoned area. Wal-Mart could decide not to build and to sell the property and
28 the neighbors might get an asphalt plant there. This was an appropriate Assembly action for an industrially zoned
29 property. The P&Z Commission had voted 7-0, opposing the development, but they had reviewed a different plan.
30 The S-version, amended by the Assembly, protected the residential land. He would support the ordinance.

31
32 Mr. Traini opposed the rezone. The process should have involved P&Z, which never got a chance to respond to the
33 changes. The process was compromised from the beginning. Wal-Mart bought the process, by agreeing to pay for
34 additional improvements. Anchorage would have to live with the results. He would be a NO-vote.

35
36 Mr. Bauer stated that P&Z had reviewed the matter and it had come to the Assembly. The Assembly researched the
37 facts, made the changes and made the decisions. The development would offer more to the community than what the
38 big box store ordinance would. The development was appropriate and it was good for his district. The survey
39 indicated a majority of people supported the development. The company offered amenities and it would benefit the
40 community. He supported the ordinance.

41
42 Mayor Begich thanked Mr. Bauer and Mr. Stout for all their work in their district on this matter. They had professionally
43 addressed neighborhoods and community councils, offering the choices available. Mayor Begich thanked Mr. Coffey
44 for his idea of the ordinance, creating more concrete requirements for the developer. Mayor Begich stated that when
45 he met with Wal-Mart a year ago, he had made it clear that the quality of development must exceed what they had
46 ever done. He and the Administration had made certain that all standards would surpass big box store requirements
47 and would guarantee a quality development. Not only had Wal-Mart agreed to complete additional improvements, but
48 they had agreed to pay for them, which would save taxpayers money. His Administration had worked aggressively to
49 ensure the development would be something all the neighbors, the community and Wal-Mart employees would be
50 proud of. The Administration would make sure that Wal-Mart would adhere to the conditions they had committed to.
51 He urged Assembly approval.

52
53 Ms. Jennings stated that Wal-Mart was currently in court, settling a labor issue. She stated that by supporting the
54 ordinance that evening, she was taking for granted that Wal-Mart would understand that they were expected to obey
55 all labor laws in Alaska and treat employees well.

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57 Mr. Bauer requested that the visual models from *Better Models for Commercial Development*, and the pictures of
58 conceptual facade and building designs of Wal-Marts be incorporated into the Meeting Minutes.

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60 Mr. Bauer moved, to amend AO 2006-104(S) by incorporating the pictures of
61 Mr. Coffey seconded, the conceptual facade and building designs into the Meeting
62 and this was approved without objection. Minutes,

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64 Chair Sullivan stated that the Assembly had authority to use their judgment to enact guidelines to implement actions
65 for future development. The Comprehensive Plan and the Transportation Plan identified northeast Anchorage as the
66 densest community in the city and it would only become denser. Traffic migrations from that area to other parts of
67 town would be a growing part of traffic congestion in the city. When he reviewed this matter, he was convinced that
68 this development would help the residents in northeast Anchorage to live, work and shop near their homes. If
69 development occurred, following the standards of the Comprehensive Plan and the big box store ordinance, there
70 would be a nice development. The negotiations with Wal-Mart had gone far beyond meeting those standards. This
71 was the best thing being offered and he supported the rezone. He urged Wal-Mart to be involved with the community
72 and encouraged them to go the extra mile to continually provide benefits to the northeast community.

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74 and the motion, as amended, was passed, 8-2.

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76 AYES: Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout and Jennings.
77 NAYES: Shamberg and Traini.

1 ABSTAIN: Tesche, excused due to a conflict of interest.

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3 Mr. Bauer moved for immediate reconsideration and urged a NO-vote.

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5 Mr. Bauer moved, *for immediate reconsideration of AO 2006-104(S),*
6 Ms. Fairclough seconded,
7 and this motion failed, 2-8.

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9 AYES: Shamberg and Jennings.

10 NAYES: Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout and Traini.

11 ABSTAIN: Tesche, excused due to a conflict of interest.

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13 **12. APPEARANCE REQUESTS**

14 A. **Vince Mee**, regarding concepts of snow removal.

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16 VINCE MEE, a retired Street Maintenance employee, testified that the current snow removal operations were effective
17 and successful, using different departments, but with one supervisor over all consolidated operations. He opposed
18 Mayor Begich's proposal of reassigning snow removal details to the Parks Maintenance Division. Multiple
19 departments not working together for maintenance operations was ineffective, cost more money and the taxpayers
20 were not being served. To Mr. Stout, Mr. Mee responded that segmented municipal operations were ineffective and
21 were only successful when all operations were managed by the Street Maintenance Division. Mayor Begich
22 responded that the Administration was daily addressing all concerns and making improvements and the Parks
23 Department had requested consolidation of maintenance. Ms. Jennings stated that while there had been
24 improvements, the lawns and gardens needed additional maintenance. To Mr. Stout, Mr. Mee responded that his
25 department had effectively worked with the state in the past, cleaning sidewalks.

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27 B. **Ray Metcalfe**, regarding corruption practices of preferential treatment in matters of taxation, zoning
28 and municipal funding for developers' improvements.

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30 *(Clerk's Note: Mr. Metcalfe cancelled his appearance request.)*

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32 **13. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS** There were none.

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34 **14. NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS**

35 14.A. Ordinance No. AO 2006-129, an ordinance authorizing a non-exclusive underground electrical
36 easement to Chugach Electric Association, Inc., across a portion of **Tract 5 Spenard Heights**
37 **Addition Subdivision**, located in the NW1/4 of Section 2, T12N, R4W, S.M. Alaska, Tax # 012-052-
38 12; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility.
39 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 655-2006.

40
41 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing
42 and called the Question.

43
44 Mr. Coffey moved, *to approve AO 2006-129,*
45 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
46 and this motion was passed, 11-0.

47
48 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.

49 NAYES: None.

50
51 14.B. Resolution No. AR 2006-235, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, confirming and
52 levying assessments for the water special improvements within **Levy Upon Connection (LUC) Roll**
53 **06-W-1**, setting date of payment and providing for penalties and interest in the event of delinquency;
54 Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility.
55 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 663-2006.

56
57 Chair Sullivan read the resolution title and opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing
58 and called the Question.

59
60 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to approve AR 2006-235,*
61 Mr. Traini seconded,
62 and this motion was passed, 11-0.

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64 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.

65 NAYES: None.

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67 14.C. Resolution No. AR 2006-236, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, confirming and
68 levying assessments for the sewer special improvements within **Levy-Upon-Connection (LUC) Roll**
69 **06-S-2**, setting date of payment and providing for penalties and interest in the event of delinquency;
70 Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility.
71 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 664-2006.

72
73 Chair Sullivan read the resolution title and opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing
74 and called the Question.

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76 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to approve AR 2006-236,*
77 Mr. Coffey seconded,

1 and this motion was passed, 11-0.

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3 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.
4 NAYES: None.

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6 14.D. **FIRST PUBLIC HEARING:** Ordinance No. AO 2006-130, an ordinance of the Municipality of
7 Anchorage adopting and appropriating funds for the **2007 (Updated) General Government**
8 **Operating Budget** for the Municipality of Anchorage; Office of Management and Budget. (*The*
9 *Second Public Hearing is Scheduled for 10-24-06*)

10 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 656-2006.

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12 Mr. Traini moved, *to combine* First Public Hearing on items 14.D to ,
13 Mr. Stout seconded, 14.H, AO 2006-130, AR 2006-238, AO 2006-132,
14 and this was approved without objection. AR 2006-234 and AO 2006-133,

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16 Chair Sullivan opened Combined First Public Hearing.

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18 JOHN WOOD, a former Anchorage Assemblymember, testified in support of the Fur Rendezvous (*Fur Rondy*)
19 Festival. He thanked Mayor Begich and those community members who supported Fur Rondy and Greater
20 Anchorage, Incorporated (*GAI*). There was no guarantee for future funding after this year. Mr. Wood responded that
21 the Administration had inaccurately indicated that Anchorage Convention and Visitors Bureau (ACVB) would be able to
22 put on a better festival. He requested Assembly support for Fur Rondy, which had a 72-year history. He requested
23 Assembly support for GAI, which put on the festival. If ACVB wanted to put on a festival, they should put up their own
24 funding for their own festival. He requested Assembly involvement. If the Municipality supported ACVB putting on a
25 festival, he requested scheduling it at a different time, other than Rondy. He hoped there was enough support to
26 continue a Fur Rondy organization with the numerous, committed volunteers, and not rely on taxpayers' money.

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28 To Mr. Traini, Mr. Wood responded that Fur Rondy did not receive funding from ACVB. A study had shown the
29 financial impact of Fur Rondy was \$18 million dollars to the city. Mr. Traini requested scheduling a worksession.

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31 To Mr. Coffey, Mr. Wood responded that \$84,000 of the \$110,000 had not been repaid to creditors. With the
32 committed sponsorship and, with Fur Rondy pin sales projected, the remaining debt may be repaid this year. There
33 was an active plan to pay off all debt, using no municipal funds. The municipal in-kind contribution, included in the
34 budget, covered street maintenance, snow removal, restrooms, police and other things. GAI was a 501-C-4, not-for-
35 profit organization with a membership of dedicated volunteers. Most of the Rondy events were downtown, but few of
36 the downtown businesses were members of GAI. Mayor Begich stated that the municipal contribution was only for
37 2007. Mr. Wood responded that GAI was interested in securing funding for 2008. To Mr. Coffey's question, Mr. Wood
38 responded that the standards could be gauged on payback to creditors and on existing activities. To Chair Sullivan,
39 Mr. Wood responded that he would complete a list of guidelines and suggestions. Mr. Stout agreed with Mr. Wood, to
40 retain the traditional name of Fur Rendezvous, instead of the proposed 'Winter Festival.' He appreciated Mr. Wood
41 taking this on and moving forward with this matter. He was looking forward to strong events that would bring people in,
42 and the Assembly would be as supportive as they could be.

43
44 Mayor Begich stated there was no event planner included in the budget, as the news had reported. He supported the
45 event and encouraged GAI to develop a sustainable business plan.

46
47 To Ms. Fairclough, Mayor Begich responded that a contract was negotiated with ACVB, for a portion of the bed tax and
48 provisions to communicate on allowances for promotion. Ms. Fairclough stated that even if the current Assembly set
49 criteria in this budget, there would be no guarantee that future Assemblies would support future budgets for a festival.
50 Mr. Wood responded that GAI had suggested that ACVB take over the promotion cost, which was \$85,000. Ms.
51 Fairclough stated that the Assembly could pass a resolution in support of negotiating a contract with ACVB, to use a
52 portion of the bed tax for marketing. The Assembly could negotiate this in the next ACVB contract.

53
54 Mr. Traini concurred with Ms. Fairclough, that the Assembly needed to pursue ACVB's involvement. The city could not
55 afford to lose Fur Rendezvous.

56
57 Mr. Tesche concurred with Ms. Fairclough. He stated that he would support a resolution that included a business plan
58 and proposed future funding. He supported ACVB's participation in promotion of the event. He offered to work with
59 Mr. Wood on the resolution.

60
61 Mr. Birch thanked Mr. Wood for his efforts and commitment to Fur Rondy. The Fur Rendezvous was a big part of his
62 family history, going back to the late 1940's. Such long-standing traditions needed to be maintained, continued and
63 strengthened for the community.

64
65 Chair Sullivan supported ACVB's involvement with both the Iditarod and Fur Rendezvous, which brought people and
66 businesses to the hotels and to downtown. Those requirements had never been negotiated with ACVB. One concern
67 was that the festival had grown too wide, with no central focus and that the festival had lost its charm. Mr. Wood
68 responded that all major events were downtown, with the exception of the Native Arts and Crafts, which was held at
69 the Dimond Center.

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71 Ms. Fairclough requested that Assembly Counsel Julia Tucker work with the Administration on new negotiations with
72 ACVB, to incorporate Fur Rondy as a revenue stream from their budget. She encouraged Ms. Shamberg and Mr.
73 Stout, as representatives to the ACVB Board, to review that resolution and take it forward to the ACVB, before the
74 Assembly reviewed it. She requested a draft resolution and recommended all members interested in being sponsors,
75 to submit their names to Ms. Tucker.

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77 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to close First Public Hearing* on items 14.D, 14.E, 14.F, 14.G

1 Mr. Coffey seconded, and 14.H, items AO 2006-130, AR 2006-238, AO 2006-132,
2 and this was approved without objection. AR 2006-234 and AO 2006-233, *and to continue* with Second
3 Public Hearing on October 24, 2006,
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- 5 14.E. **FIRST PUBLIC HEARING:** Resolution No. AR 2006-238, a resolution approving the **2007-2012**
6 **General Government Capital Improvement Program (CIP)**; Office of Management and Budget.
7 (*The Second Public Hearing is Scheduled for 10-24-06*)
8 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 657-2006. (**Public Hearing Continued to 10-24-06**)
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10 (*Clerk's Note: See item 14.E, for Combined First Public Hearing.*)
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- 12 14.F. **FIRST PUBLIC HEARING:** Ordinance No. AO 2006-132, an ordinance adopting the **2007 General**
13 **Government Capital Improvement Budget (CIB)**; Office of Management and Budget. (*The Second*
14 *Public Hearing was Scheduled for 10-24-06*) (**Public Hearing Continued to 10-24-06**)
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16 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 658-2006.
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18 (*Clerk's Note: See item 14.E, for Combined First Public Hearing.*)
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- 20 14.G. **FIRST PUBLIC HEARING:** Resolution No. AR 2006-234, a resolution approving the **2007-2012**
21 **Municipal Utilities/Enterprise Activities Capital Improvement Program**; Office of Management and
22 Budget. (*The Second Public Hearing is Scheduled for 10-24-06*) (**Public Hearing Continued to 10-**
23 **24-06**)
24 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 662-2006.
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26 (*Clerk's Note: See item 14.E, for Combined First Public Hearing.*)
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- 28 14.H. **FIRST PUBLIC HEARING:** Ordinance No. AO 2006-133, an ordinance adopting and appropriating
29 funds for the **Municipal Utilities/Enterprise Activities Operating Budget Fiscal Year 2007**
30 **(Update) and the 2007 Municipal Utilities/Enterprise Activities Capital Improvement Budget**;
31 Office of Management and Budget. (*The Second Public Hearing is Scheduled for 10-24-06*)
32 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 659-2006. (**Public Hearing Continued to 10-24-06**)
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34 (*Clerk's Note: See item 14.E, for Combined First Public Hearing.*)
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- 36 14.I. **FIRST PUBLIC HEARING:** Ordinance No. AO 2006-134, an ordinance adopting and appropriating
37 funds for the **2007 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Cooperative Services Authority (CSA)**;
38 Office of Management and Budget. (*The Second Public Hearing is Scheduled for 10-24-06*)
39 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 660-2006. (**Public Hearing Continued to 10-24-06**)
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41 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened the First Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed the First
42 Hearing and Continued the matter to the Second Public Hearing on October 24, 2006.
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- 44 14.J. **FIRST PUBLIC HEARING:** Ordinance No. AO 2006-135, an ordinance adopting and appropriating
45 funds for the **2007 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Anchorage Community Development**
46 **Authority (ACDA)**; Office of Management and Budget. (*The Second Public Hearing Scheduled for*
47 *10-24-06*) (**Public Hearing Continued to 10-24-06**)
48 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 661-2006.
49

50 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened the First Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed the First
51 Public Hearing and Continued the matter to the Second Public Hearing on October 24, 2006.
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- 53 14.K. Resolution No. AR 2006-264, a resolution of the Anchorage Assembly approving the **Heritage Land**
54 **Bank 2007 Work Program** and 2008-2012 Five-Year Management Plan; Heritage Land Bank.
55 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 721-2006.
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57 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened the First Public Hearing. Ms. Ossiander responded that it was her
58 intention to move to postpone AR 2006-264, because Assemblymembers had indicated they were still reviewing it.
59 Chair Sullivan stated that people who wanted to speak to this item could testify that evening or wait until the next
60 meeting.
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62 Ms. Fairclough requested that Ms. Gleason testify that evening to allow the Assembly to hear her comments. Ms.
63 Jennings concurred. Ms. concurred and stated that Ms. Gleason should be allowed to testify again on the matter.
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65 CATHY GLEASON, Vice President of Turnagain Community Council, testified that the council had submitted written
66 comments on September 7, 2006 to the Heritage Land Bank (HLB), which had responded, opposing. Ms. Gleason
67 summarized the council's comments on the work plan, which included reference to the city's getting state land
68 conveyed to the city. She stated that all parcels at the airport, falling in the airport boundary, needed to be listed. The
69 Airport Master Plan needed to resolve West Anchorage land use issues. The council supported the five-year work
70 plan and wanted the 2007 work plan to use the same language.
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72 To Chair Sullivan and Mr. Coffey, Ms. Gleason responded that she would email copies of the council's statements and
73 the HLB response to Assemblymembers.
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75 Ms. Ossiander stated that she would type up and distribute questions and concerns to all members.
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77 Mr. Coffey moved, to Continue Public Hearing on AR 2006-264

1 Ms. Fairclough seconded, to October 24, 2006,
2 and this was approved without objection.

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4 **15. SPECIAL ORDERS** None.

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6 **16. UNFINISHED AGENDA** None.

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8 **17. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** None.

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10 **18. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

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12 Chair Sullivan stated that Assemblymembers had been invited to attend a breakfast at the Anchorage Senior Center
13 that coming Friday at 8:00 a.m. He advised members to let the Municipal Clerk know who was going to attend.

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15 Chair Sullivan recommended that the two-hour worksession scheduled on the 20th be split by using the first hour to
16 discuss budget items and the second for the Assembly Budget Committee.

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18 Mr. Traini requested a worksession be scheduled to discuss Fur Rondy. Chair Sullivan responded that instead of
19 having a worksession, he would create a committee to discuss that issue. He requested that Mr. Traini chair that
20 committee. Mr. Traini concurred.

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22 **19. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS** None.

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24 **20. ADJOURNMENT**

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26 Chair Sullivan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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28 Mr. Traini moved, to adjourn the Regular Assembly Meeting,
29 Mr. Stout seconded,
30 and this motion was passed.

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32 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg, Bauer, Fairclough, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.

33 NAYES: None.

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35 The Regular Assembly Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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44 DAN SULLIVAN, Assembly Chair

45 ATTEST:

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52 LINDA HEIM, Acting Municipal Clerk
53 Date Minutes Approved: November 14, 2006.
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58 *Alaska, (907)343-4505, or on the Municipal Web Site, www.muni.org ~Assembly~Minutes~year~month~day)*
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