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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 23, 2007**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Assembly Meeting was convened by Chair Coffey at 5:02 p.m. in Assembly Chambers, Room 108 of the Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street in Anchorage, Alaska.

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

PRESENT: Allan Tesche, Dick Traini, Dan Sullivan, William Starr, Dan Coffey, Debbie Ossiander, Jennifer Johnston, Chris Birch, Paul Bauer, Sheila Selkregg and Matt Claman.

ABSENT: None.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Assemblymember Birch led the pledge.

**4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

4.A. Regular Meeting – September 11, 2007.

Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve the Assembly Meeting Minutes of  
Mr. Sullivan seconded, September 11, 2007,

Chair Coffey requested that Page 20, Line 28 be amended to reflect that his statement was a discussion of alternatives to the Pedestrian Plan, to read: Chair Coffey stated that the plan ~~[would]~~ “could” be adopted that evening~~[—A]~~ “and a” new ordinance ~~[would be]~~ introduced, to amend the plan, with these specifics, with a new Public Hearing in a month. There were no objections.

and the main motion, as amended, was passed without objection.

**5. MAYOR'S REPORT**

On behalf of Mayor Begich, Anchorage Museum Association Board Chair Joe Griffith introduced James Pepper Henry, the new Museum Chief Executive Officer and Director. Formerly with the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of the American Indian, Mr. Pepper Henry thanked his predecessor, former Director Patricia Wolf for helping the Museum to emerge into a world class museum. He would bring the best of what the world had to offer to Anchorage and the best of what Alaska had to offer to the world. Mayor Begich announced a welcoming event at the Museum on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Begich announced that Executive Assistant Thelma Jackson had been nominated as a “Woman of Achievement,” and offered his congratulations. He reported the newly-released list of the Top Forty Under Forty included municipal employees Rosey Fletcher, Susanne Fleek, Tyler Robinson and Michael Johnson. He reported that the Girdwood Library would receive funds from the Rasmuson Foundation, matching \$100,000 raised by the people in Girdwood. He reported that the *Voice of the Times* had recognized Anchorage as a city on the rise, with great growth and a positive outlook. He reported the Fire Department, working with the military bases and volunteer fire departments, had set a national record by raising \$105,000 in three hours with their recent Fill-The-Boot fundraiser. Mayor Begich reported that the MOA Emergency Management Office Director Heather Handyside and staff had been recognized for their efforts of emergency preparedness and the operation center.

Mayor Begich introduced newly appointed and reappointed commission members, including AnnaBell Stevens and Carolyn Gardner to the Citizen's Advisory Commission and Anna Josephson to the Urban Design Commission.

**6. ASSEMBLY CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Coffey reported that Elections Coordinator Guadalupe Marroquin had recently been nominated as a “Woman of Achievement” and would be honored at a luncheon hosted by the YWCA on December 12, 2007 and he offered his congratulations. Chair Coffey announced the new graduates of the Alaska Points of Light Youth Leadership Institution. Master PYLI Trainer Robert Beau Bassett stated the students were involved with community projects and fundraisers throughout the city. Twelve of the twenty-five graduates introduced themselves, including Ashleigh Gaines, Lauren Heyano, Tia Andrus, Kirill Frusin, Mark Williams, Joycelyn Weaver, Alexandria Lorentz, Kirsten Boitz, Rebecca Bloitz, Charrier Stone, Chardonnay Stone, Kalia Yeagle and Brendan Hernandez. Mr. Tesche urged the graduates to register to vote when they turned 18 and encouraged each one to register 100 other young adults, which would make a difference to the government. Dr. Selkregg responded that the young students were learning the gift of community service. She thanked Mr. Bassett and Prudential for their efforts.

Chair Coffey announced changes in committee memberships, including replacement appointments of Mr. Claman and Mr. Birch to the Ethics Committee, Dr. Selkregg to the Elections Committee and he and Ms. Johnston to the ACVB

1 Committee. He distributed handouts of his assignments and questions for the committees to address. Mr. Tesche and  
2 Dr. Selkregg responded that they had not been informed and would talk to him off-record about the changes.

## 3 4 **7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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6 Mr. Claman reported the next Public Safety Meeting scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup> would take up the proposed  
7 Immigration Ordinance and a proposed resolution that would repeal current policy on immigrants in the community. To  
8 Mr. Traini, Mr. Claman responded Mr. Sullivan's proposed resolution would address the Patriot Act.

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10 Mr. Birch reported the Navigant report on ML&P and Chugach Electric would be delivered to the Merger Committee on  
11 October 29<sup>th</sup>. The Merger Committee would also address ML&P gas reserves and wholesale power sales.

12  
13 Ms. Ossiander invited all interested people to the Title 21 Committee Meetings, which continued to meet every  
14 Thursday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Planning Department Conference Room. The Committee was  
15 currently addressing Chapter 5, concerning conditional uses for zoning districts. All chapters, including Chapter 7,  
16 were available for public review on the municipal website, by linking to the Planning Department and to Title 21.  
17 Committee Meeting Minutes would also be posted. Public Hearing drafts would be reviewed by the P&Z Commission,  
18 which would make recommendations to the Assembly. Chapter 12 addressing nonconformities was finalized and on  
19 the Agenda for Public Hearing.

20  
21 Mr. Starr reported the Budget and Finance Task Force, working with consultants and staff, were finalizing their review  
22 of the capital and operating budgets. Worksessions had been well-attended and included newly-appointed members  
23 of the Budget Advisory Commission (BAC). The Task Force proposed recommendations for tasks needing to be  
24 addressed. November 8<sup>th</sup> was target date for final recommendations from the Task Force and the BAC. Chair Coffey  
25 stated that the first BAC Meeting was well attended by Assemblymembers and the Administration. Questions of  
26 responsibilities, policy and process involving staff, consultants, the BAC, the Task Force and the Assembly were being  
27 addressed. BAC Vice Chair Jim Bailey concurred and responded that the Commission would complete what was  
28 requested. Ms. Ossiander thanked Mr. Bailey and other commissioners for their work, including addressing the school  
29 budget. Mr. Tesche urged that the report to the Assembly include comment on AR 2007-204. Dr. Selkregg stated the  
30 Commission would work independently and as a team with the Task Force and would make recommendations to the  
31 Assembly. Chair Coffey stated the BAC working with the Task Force would allow the sharing of information.

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33 Mr. Sullivan reported the Elections Committee recommended that two ordinances be introduced on November 6<sup>th</sup>, one  
34 involving single-member districts for Assemblymembers and one raising the percentage to elect the mayor to 50% plus  
35 one vote. He urged consideration of a worksession on those matters.

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37 Mr. Sullivan reported the Noise Ordinance ad hoc committee that he co-chaired with Mr. Claman met on October 17<sup>th</sup>  
38 and heard public comment on industrial activities. He requested a worksession be set to review the matter prior to  
39 being heard by the Assembly. This was a construction season issue and could be completed after the budget had  
40 been addressed. Mr. Claman concurred and responded that he supported a worksession.

## 41 42 **8. ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

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44 Chair Coffey called for a motion and read the Addendum items. He called for additional items and AM 662-2007, AR  
45 2007-147, AO 2007-148, AM 664-2007 and AO 2007-149 were added and assigned Agenda Numbers 9.D.15, 9.F.10,  
46 9.F.11, 11.A.4 and 9.F.12, respectively. There were no additional items and he called for a vote to incorporate the  
47 Addendum items into the Consent Agenda.

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49 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve the inclusion of the Addendum items  
50 Mr. Sullivan seconded, into the Consent Agenda,  
51 and this motion was passed.

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53 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.  
54 NAYES: None.

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56 Chair Coffey called the Question on the Consent Agenda.

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58 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve the Consent Agenda,  
59 Mr. Starr seconded,

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61 Chair Coffey called for Assemblymembers to request items be pulled and moved to the Regular Agenda for  
62 discussion.

## 63 64 **9. CONSENT AGENDA**

### 65 **9.A. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

66 9.A.1. Resolution No. AR 2007-235, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly and Mayor Begich  
67 recognizing and honoring **Linda L. Vizenor** for 22 years of service to the Municipality of Anchorage.  
68 **(Addendum)**

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70 Ms. Ossiander requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.A.1)

### 71 72 **9.B. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - OTHER**

73 9.B.1. Resolution No. AR 2007-231, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage setting aside cash  
74 collected from tipping fees for the future payment of the **Anchorage Regional Landfill Care and**  
75 **Closure liability**; Solid Waste Services.  
76 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 637-2007.

77  
78 Ms. Ossiander requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.B.1)

- 1 9.B.2. Resolution No. AR 2007-232, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage providing for the  
2 appropriation of \$965 of citizen's donations to the Miscellaneous Operational Grants Fund (261) to the  
3 Office of Economic and Community Development, for the purchase of **library books and materials**.  
4 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 645-2007.
- 5 9.B.3. Resolution No. AR 2007-236, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$9,473 from  
6 the State of Alaska through the State Historic Preservation Officer to the State Categorical Grants Fund  
7 231 to the Department of Neighborhoods, for the **Fairview Historic Survey**.  
8 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 650-2007. (**Addendum**)  
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10 **9.C. BID AWARDS** There were no items.

11 **9.D. NEW BUSINESS**

- 12 9.D.1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 638-2007, **Anchorage Cooperative Services Authority Board of**  
13 **Directors** appointment (Sharon Weddleton); Mayor's Office.  
14 9.D.2. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 639-2007, **Police and Fire Retiree Medical Pre-Funding**  
15 **Investment Board** appointment (Sharon Weddleton); Mayor's Office.  
16 9.D.3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 640-2007, **Historic Preservation Commission** appointments (Lora  
17 Johnson, Mark Lutz, Pam Tesche); Mayor's Office.  
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20 Mr. Tesche requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.D.3*)  
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- 22 9.D.4. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 641-2007, **Senior Citizen Advisory Commission** appointments  
23 (Ella Craig, Carolyn Gardner, William Kirk, AnnaBell Stevens); Mayor's Office.  
24 9.D.5. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 642-2007, Assembly approval of Change Order #3 to 2005-2007  
25 contract with **Davison & Davison, Inc.**, to provide legal services (\$75,000); Risk Management.  
26 9.D.6. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 643-2007, sole source procurement authorization with **Brush**  
27 **Turbogenerators Inc.** to support power generation plant operations for the Municipality of Anchorage,  
28 Municipal Light & Power (ML&P) (\$50,000); Purchasing.  
29 9.D.7. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 648-2007, Change Order No. 3 to Contract 26MLP224 with **Jaffa**  
30 **Construction** for mechanical service crews on an "as needed" basis for the Municipality of  
31 Anchorage, Municipal Light & Power (\$200,000); Purchasing.  
32 9.D.8. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 644-2007, Amendment No. 3 to professional services contract with  
33 MAKERS Architects **E Street Corridor Improvements**, Project No. 04-17 (\$342,500); Project  
34 Management & Engineering.  
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36 Dr. Selkregg requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.D.8*)  
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- 38 9.D.9. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 649-2007, extension of the **Western States Contracting Alliance**  
39 **(WSCA)** contracts for the acquisition of computer equipment, software, peripheral equipment, and  
40 related services with Hewlett Packard Company (HP), Dell Marketing L.P. (Dell), International  
41 Business Machines Corporation (IBM) and Lenovo, Inc. for the Municipality of Anchorage; Purchasing  
42 Department (\$6,300,000).  
43

44 Dr. Selkregg requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.D.9*)  
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- 46 9.D.10. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 654-2007, Amendment No. 3 to the grant agreement with **Akeela, Inc.**  
47 for Agreement Number 26HHS065 (\$14,350); Health and Human Services. (**Addendum**)  
48 9.D.11. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 655-2007, Contract Amendment No. 8 to Purchase Order 230706  
49 with **Clean Harbors Environmental Services Inc.** for Hazardous Waste Collection Facility  
50 Operations for the Municipality of Anchorage, Solid Waste Services Department (\$250,000);  
51 Purchasing. (**Addendum**)  
52 9.D.12. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 656-2007, proprietary 2-year lease agreement with The Corporation  
53 of St. Patrick's Parish of the Archdiocese of Anchorage providing **land lease on Elmrich #1, Tract B**  
54 **Wellsite** for the continued operation of the Creekside Well and Reservoir maintained by the  
55 Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU), a Public Corporate Authority of the Municipality of  
56 Anchorage (\$18,800 per year). (**Addendum**)  
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58 The Administration requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.D.12*)  
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- 60 9.D.13. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 659-2007, Change Order No. 2 to Purchase Order No. 260845 with  
61 BGES, Inc. for providing the **Fairview Historic Building Survey** to the Municipality of Anchorage,  
62 Department of Neighborhoods (\$15,940); Purchasing.  
63 9.D.14. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 660-2007, **Budget Advisory Commission** appointment  
64 (Roger Shaw); Mayor's Office. (**Addendum**)  
65

66 Mr. Starr requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.D.14*)  
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- 68 9.D.15. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 662-2007, **Chugiak Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service**  
69 **Area Board of Supervisors Appointment** (Linda Kovac); Mayor Begich. (**Laid on the Table**)  
70

71 Mr. Starr requested this item be pulled for reviewed on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.D.15*)  
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73 **9.E. INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

- 74 9.E.1. Information Memorandum No. AIM 95-2007, **contracts awarded between \$50,000 and \$500,000**  
75 **through formal competitive processes** for the month of September 2007; Purchasing.  
76

77 Mr. Bauer requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.E.1*)  
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1 9.E.2. Information Memorandum No. AIM 96-2007, **Sole Source Procurement Report** for the month of  
2 September 2007; Purchasing.

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

5 9.F.1. Ordinance No. AO 2007-143, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending  
6 Anchorage Municipal Code Section 14.60.030, **Fine Schedule**; amending Section 25.70.050,  
7 Penalties and Remedies for Violations on Public Lands; and amending Section 25.70.060, Activities  
8 Prohibited in Parks, to establish fines for litter in public parks and animal feces not immediately  
9 collected and properly disposed from sport areas in parks; Assemblymember Claman. (*Public Hearing*  
10 *12-11-07*)

11 9.F.2. Resolution No. AR 2007-233, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$256,972 as  
12 three federal pass-through grants from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game Southeast  
13 Sustainable Salmon Fund to the Areawide General CIP Fund (401), Project Management &  
14 Engineering Department, for the **Ship Creek Fishing Access Project – Schedule C Task**. (*Public*  
15 *Hearing 11-6-07*)

16 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 646-2007.

17 9.F.3. Resolution No. AR 2007-234, a resolution adopting the **2008-2012 Housing and Community**  
18 **Development Consolidated Plan and 2008 Annual Action Plan** of the Municipality of Anchorage,  
19 which constitutes the application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
20 for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program  
21 (HOME), the American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI) and the Emergency Shelter Grant  
22 (ESG). This resolution seeks to appropriate the annual entitlement grants from HUD, program  
23 income, and recaptured funds in the amount of \$1,936,826 of 2008 CDBG entitlement, \$50,000 of  
24 anticipated CDBG program income/recaptured funds, \$1,003,185 of 2008 HOME Entitlement, \$25,488  
25 of 2008 ADDI Entitlement, and \$83,752 of 2008 ESG Entitlement, and to appropriate said funds to the  
26 Federal Categorical Grants Fund (241); Department of Neighborhoods. (*Public Hearing 11-6-07*)

27 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 647-2007.

28 9.F.4. Ordinance No. AO 2007-144, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Section 21.15.010,  
29 **Procedure for Obtaining Variance**, to correct an error in the application requirements for a variance  
30 under AO 2007-117, retroactive to September 25, 2007, the date of Assembly approval; Assembly  
31 Chair Coffey. (*Public Hearing 11-6-07*) (**Addendum**)

32 9.F.5. Ordinance No. AO 2007-145, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Sections 24.75.010,  
33 24.75.020, 24.75.030, 24.75.040 and 24.75.090, regarding **Sidewalk Vendors**, and repealing the  
34 sunset date in Anchorage Ordinance 2005-160 regarding sidewalk vendors, retroactive to November  
35 1, 2007; Office of Economic & Community Development. (*Public Hearing 11-6-07*) (**Addendum**)

36 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 657-2007.

37 9.F.6. Ordinance No. AO 2007-146, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Section 26.70.040  
38 and 26.80.050 to increase the **Solid Waste Services Refuse Collection and Disposal Rates**.  
39 (*Public Hearing 11-27-07*) (**Addendum**)

40 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 658-2007.

41 9.F.7. Resolution No. AR 2007-237, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, accepting and  
42 appropriating three State of Alaska Drinking Water Fund loan offers in the aggregate amount of  
43 \$3,830,000 for financing a portion of the costs of the **Creekside Water Improvements** (DeBarr,  
44 Muldoon to Turpin Water Upgrade) (\$2,492,000), Security Improvements (Multi-Site) (\$846,000), and  
45 East Bluff Water Upgrade (\$492,000) projects; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility. (*Public*  
46 *Hearing 11-6-07*)

47 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 651-2007. (**Addendum**)

48 9.F.8. Resolution No. AR 2007-238, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, accepting and  
49 appropriating three State of Alaska Clean Water Fund loan offers in the aggregate amount of  
50 \$1,603,000 for financing a portion of the costs of the **Security Improvements** (Multi-Site) (\$846,000),  
51 Turnagain C-F Interceptor Upgrade (\$505,000), and Eagle River Wastewater Treatment Facility  
52 Gravity Thickener (\$252,000) projects; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility. (*Public Hearing 11-6-*  
53 *07*) (**Addendum**)

54 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 652-2007.

55 9.F.9. Resolution No. AR 2007-239, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$296,714  
56 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to the Federal Categorical Grants Fund  
57 (241), and \$177,605 from Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Match Grant to State Categorical  
58 Grants Fund (231), Department of Health and Human Services for the purpose of providing a one year  
59 renewal of the **LINK Homeless Assistance Project** and a contract with Abused Women's Aid In  
60 Crisis, Inc. (*Public Hearing 11-6-07*) (**Addendum**)

61 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 653-2007.

62 9.F.10. Ordinance No. AO 2007-147, an ordinance authorizing acquisition of interests in real property know as  
63 **Valley River Center Building "A"**, legal description Tract K, Regional Park Subdivision #2, in part  
64 through an inter-fund loan not to exceed one million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$1,700,000)  
65 from the areawide general fund (101) to the Areawide General CIP Fund (401), and waiving  
66 requirements under Anchorage Municipal Code Section 21.15.015.A.1, Public Facility Site Selection,  
67 for purposes of co-locating Chugiak-Eagle River Library and municipal offices in the New Eagle River  
68 Town Center; Mayor Begich and Assemblymember Tesche. (*Public Hearing 11-6-07*)

69 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 663-2007. (**Laid on the Table**)

70  
71 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to introduce* AO 2007-147 with Public Hearing set for  
72 Mr. Starr seconded, November 6, 2007, a worksession scheduled for  
73 Mr. Traini was the concurring third. October 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Assembly Conference  
74 Room, and *to add* Mr. Tesche as a cosponsor,  
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76 Mr. Tesche requested that he be added as a cosponsor.

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78 9.F.11. Ordinance No. AO 2007-148, an ordinance providing for the submission of a ballot proposition to the  
79 qualified voters of the Municipality at the Regular Election on April 1, 2008 the Question of issuance of

1 not to exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000) of General Obligation Bonds of the Municipality,  
2 contingent upon receipt of up to two million dollars (\$2,000,000) of matching grants from the State of  
3 Alaska, to pay the costs of capital improvements for **swimming pools** within the Anchorage Parks and  
4 Recreation Service Area and an increase in the Municipal Tax Cap limitation to pay related operations  
5 and maintenance costs; Assemblymembers Tesche and Traini. (*Public Hearing 1-8-08*) (**Laid on the**  
6 **Table**)

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8 Mr. Traini moved, *to introduce* AO 2007-148 with Public Hearing set for  
9 Mr. Sullivan seconded, January 8, 2008,  
10 Mr. Tesche was the concurring third.

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12 9.F.12. Ordinance No. AO 2007-149, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Section 21.40.200  
13 related to motorized sports conditional uses in the I-1 (light industrial) District; amending Anchorage  
14 Municipal Code Section 21.15 to allow the Assembly to waive conditional use permit requirements for  
15 temporary recreational uses on Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility, a public corporate authority  
16 of the Municipality of Anchorage, municipal owned land specific to **Tract 4, International East**  
17 **Subdivision**, for motorized sports uses; AWWU; Mayor Begich and Assembly Vice Chair Ossiander.  
18 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 665-2007. (*Public Hearing 11-13-07*) (**Laid on the Table**)

19  
20 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to introduce* AO 2007-149 with Public Hearing set for  
21 Mr. Claman seconded, November 13, 2007, and *to add* Ms. Ossiander as a  
22 and there were no objections. cosponsor,  
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24 Ms. Ossiander requested to be added as a cosponsor. To Mr. Coffey, she and Mayor Begich responded this matter  
25 involved winter use and snow machines.

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27 Chair Coffey called the Question on the remainder of the Consent Agenda.

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

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31 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.  
32 NAYES: None.

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

#### 35 36 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### 37 38 **10. REGULAR AGENDA**

#### 39 **10.A. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

40 10.A.1. Resolution No. AR 2007-235, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly and Mayor Begich  
41 recognizing and honoring **Linda L. Vizenor** for 22 years of service to the Municipality of Anchorage.  
42 (**Addendum**)

43  
44 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to approve* AR 2007-235,  
45 Mr. Starr seconded,  
46 and this was unanimously approved, 11-0.

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48 Mr. Starr read and Ms. Ossiander presented the resolution to Linda L. Vizenor, recognizing and honoring her for her 22  
49 years of service to the city. For the past sixteen years Ms. Vizenor had worked for with the Department of Parks and  
50 Recreation in Eagle River, where she had been an advocate for improving parks, trails, programs and facilities in  
51 Eagle River-Chugiak. Ms. Vizenor thanked the Assembly and stated it had been a wonderful 22-year career and an  
52 honor working for the city. Mr. Starr and Ms. Ossiander thanked her for her outstanding service.

#### 53 54 **10.B. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - OTHER**

55 10.B.1. Resolution No. AR 2007-231, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage setting aside cash  
56 collected from tipping fees for the future payment of the **Anchorage Regional Landfill Care and**  
57 **Closure liability**; Solid Waste Services.  
58 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 637-2007.

59  
60 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to Postpone* AR 2007-231 to November 27, 2007,  
61 Mayor Begich seconded,

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63 Ms. Ossiander stated there was continuing discussion on Solid Waste Services finances. A new ordinance on the  
64 matter was being introduced that evening.

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66 and this was approved without objection.

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68 **10.C. BID AWARDS** There were no items.

#### 69 70 **10.D. NEW BUSINESS**

71 10.D.3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 640-2007, **Historic Preservation Commission** appointments (Lora  
72 Johnson, Mark Lutz, Pam Tesche); Mayor's Office.

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74 Mr. Tesche declared two possible conflicts of interest with proposed appointees to the Historic Preservation  
75 Commission because Mark Lutz was a personal friend and Pam Tesche was his wife. Chair Coffey ruled that Mr.  
76 Tesche did have a conflict of interest. Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Traini objected. Chair Coffey requested that Mr. Tesche  
77 abstain from participation. Mr. Tesche concurred.

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79 Mr. Traini moved, *to approve* AM 640-2007,

1 Mr. Sullivan seconded,  
2 and this was approved without objection,  
3 with Mr. Tesche abstaining, due to a conflict of interest.  
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5 Chair Coffey thanked the new commissioners for their service.  
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7 10.D.8 Assembly Memorandum No. AM 644-2007, Amendment No. 3 to professional services contract with  
8 MAKERS Architects **E Street Corridor Improvements**, Project No. 04-17 (\$342,500); Project  
9 Management & Engineering.  
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11 Dr. Selkregg moved, to approve AM 644-2007,  
12 Mr. Traini seconded,  
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14 Dr. Selkregg urged that the contract bid process include criteria for local knowledge, so that Alaskan firms could be  
15 considered for the contracts.  
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17 Mr. Starr stated the contract should have moved from urban design to construction oversight requirements. AWWU's  
18 input should have been included, concerning the water system locations in the area. There was bond money involved,  
19 which was not always used in the best way. He urged a NO-vote.  
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21 To Mr. Bauer, Planning Director Tom Nelson responded that CRW Engineering, a local engineering design firm, was  
22 working very closely with MAKERS Architects on the E Street Corridor. PM&E Project Manager Jerry Hansen stated  
23 that while corridor improvements were underway, AWWU had requested to inspect the conditions of the 50-year old  
24 underground water pipes on E Street. It would save money to do the inspection now, because it needed to be  
25 completed for the improvements scheduled in 2008. Mr. Bauer questioned the importance and urgency of inspecting  
26 the lines, which was an added expense. AWWU Operations and Maintenance Director Kurt Egelhofer responded that  
27 the inspection would determine if the lines needed to be replaced. Mayor Begich responded that as the improvements  
28 on E Street were underway it would be a good opportunity to visually inspect the waterlines and make the needed  
29 repairs. It was a cost-saving measure to do it now rather than waiting, because there would be additional expense to  
30 tear up and then repair the asphalt and secondary improvements, which would be passed on to the ratepayers. Mr.  
31 Hansen responded this had already been budgeted. Mr. Bauer stated it was easy to understand the strategy of  
32 combining projects to save money, but a project budget review was needed, because the project had already  
33 increased by millions of dollars within two years. Mr. Hansen responded that costs of the project, involving .072 mile,  
34 was about \$25 million.  
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36 Ms. Ossiander stated the Assembly often addressed growing costs because of continual project change orders. Mr.  
37 Hansen responded that the original design contract had been awarded to MAKERS, which was selected as the best  
38 qualified architectural firm. She questioned if the contract could be awarded directly to CRW, which was doing all the  
39 design and engineering work anyway. Purchasing Officer Bart Mauldin responded that typically a lead agency  
40 managed the entire project, with specialty subcontracts for engineering and design. Construction would be separately  
41 and competitively bid.  
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43 Mr. Starr stated the contract with MAKERS was essentially completed with finalization of Amendment Number 2.  
44 CRW was a subcontractor that would provide the professional expertise and services to complete Amendment Number  
45 3 and he was not convinced of the need to keep MAKERS. Mr. Hansen responded there was coordination between  
46 the subcontractor and the lead company that managed the project. Mayor Begich responded the contract awarded to  
47 MAKERS had included subcontracts to CRW and Earthscape. The city used teams because it was impossible for the  
48 city to piecemeal projects. This was the most coordinated, efficient way to conduct business.  
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50 Mr. Traini moved, to postpone AM 644-2007 to November 27, 2007,  
51 Mr. Sullivan seconded,  
52 and this was later amended,  
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54 Mayor Begich objected to delaying the project.  
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56 Chair Coffey stated that it appeared that MAKERS was known as architects and urban designers and he questioned if  
57 the company was a project manager. Mr. Hansen responded that architects were still completing the final design work  
58 and a project manager was needed to coordinate the efforts of all the subcontractors.  
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60 Mr. Sullivan supported the concept of a project coordinator. He requested a budget report from AWWU and their plans  
61 and costs for the project. He supported postponement. Assemblymembers were listening to constituents, who wanted  
62 to focus on basic needs and maintenance and not new projects.  
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64 Mr. Claman opposed postponement. The Administration had provided an explanation of the project management.  
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66 Mr. Tesche stated it was common for a project manager not to be skilled in every aspect of a project and  
67 subcontracting was commonly used. If Mr. Starr or Mr. Bauer had been in communication with the Administration  
68 about their concerns with this contract prior to the Assembly Meeting, he would support postponement. Mayor Begich  
69 responded Mr. Starr and Mr. Bauer had spoken to staff the previous day.  
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71 Mr. Bauer supported getting through the budget process before addressing this matter. He supported postponement.  
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73 Dr. Selkregg supported addressing the matter that evening. The Administration had addressed all the aspects of the  
74 projects. Road projects were enormously expensive, but roads were necessary. The Assembly was uncomfortable  
75 with the pattern of continual amendments to projects, but that matter could be addressed at a later date and not  
76 associated with this project.  
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78 Ms. Ossiander moved, to amend the motion by postponing AM 644-2007 to  
79 and this as accepted as a to November [27] "13", 2007,

1 friendly amendment by Mr. Traini.

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3 Mayor Begich stated that a time delay could cost money.

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5 Mr. Claman proposed that the Assembly and the Administration try to resolve this matter during the dinner break.

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7 Chair Coffey stated that it would be helpful to get additional information, including a description of the initial MAKERS  
8 expectations listed in the original RFP. He put the Question on the motion.

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10 and the main motion, as amended, was passed, 9-2.

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12 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch and Bauer.

13 NAYES: Selkregg and Claman.

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15 Mayor Begich stated that every capital budget reviewed by the Assembly had many multi-million dollar road projects.  
16 Road projects were worked over extended periods of time under multi-year capital budgets and reviewed each year.  
17 The E Street Corridor Project was an extended six-year project. He urged that this project not be delayed.

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19 10.D.9. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 649-2007, extension of the **Western States Contracting Alliance**  
20 **(WSCA)** contracts for the acquisition of computer equipment, software, peripheral equipment, and  
21 related services with Hewlett Packard Company (HP), Dell Marketing L.P. (Dell), International  
22 Business Machines Corporation (IBM) and Lenovo, Inc. for the Municipality of Anchorage; Purchasing  
23 Department (\$6,300,000).

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25 Dr. Selkregg moved, to approve AM 649-2007,

26 Mr. Claman seconded,

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28 Dr. Selkregg stated this was a lot of money. Purchasing Officer Bart Mauldin explained that the WSCA had offered  
29 discounts to fulfill all requirements for total computer management and had eliminated the city's having to competitively  
30 bid thousands of pieces of equipment. IT Data & Projects Manager Michael Sweeney responded that there was a plan  
31 for the next two years. Dr. Selkregg stated that she understood the contracting process, but this was \$6.3 million  
32 dollars, when there were expensive capital improvements, like the pools, that needed to be addressed in the city. Mr.  
33 Sweeney responded that the city maintained a 5-year replacement schedule.

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35 and this was passed, 11-0.

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37 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer Selkregg and Claman.

38 NAYES: None.

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40 10.D.12. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 656-2007, proprietary 2-year lease agreement with The Corporation  
41 of St. Patrick's Parish of the Archdiocese of Anchorage providing **land lease on Elmrich #1, Tract B**  
42 **Wellsite** for the continued operation of the Creekside Well and Reservoir maintained by the  
43 Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU), a Public Corporate Authority of the Municipality of  
44 Anchorage (\$18,800 per year). **(Addendum)**

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46 Deputy Municipal Manager Michael Abbott requested this matter be postponed indefinitely.

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48 Mr. Sullivan moved, to postpone indefinitely AM 656-2007,

49 Dr. Selkregg seconded,

50 and this was passed without objection, 11-0.

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52 10.D.14. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 660-2007, **Budget Advisory Commission** appointment  
53 (Roger Shaw); Mayor's Office. **(Addendum)**

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55 Mr. Starr moved, to approve AM 660-2007,

56 Ms. Ossiander seconded,

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58 Mr. Starr thanked Mayor Begich and the Administration for completing the appointments to the Budget Advisory  
59 Commission, which was now ready to begin examining and making recommendations on the budget. Newly appointed  
60 Budget Advisory Commissioner Roger Shaw stood to be recognized.

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62 Mr. Sullivan also thanked newly appointed Joe Josephson for his contributions to the community.

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64 and this was passed without objection, 11-0.

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66 10.D.15. Assembly Memorandum No AM 662-2007, **Chugiak Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service**  
67 **Area** Board of Supervisors Appointment (Linda Kovac); Mayor Begich. **(Laid on the Table)**

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69 Mr. Starr moved, to approve AM 662-2007,

70 Ms. Ossiander seconded,

71 and this was passed without objection, 11-0.

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73 Mr. Starr thanked Linda Kovac, newly appointed to the CBERRRSA Board of Supervisors, for volunteering her time.  
74 He also thanked the Administration for filling this position in a week's time. Chair Coffey thanked Ms. Kovac for her  
75 service.

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77 **10.E. INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

78 10.E.1. Information Memorandum No. AIM 95-2007, **contracts awarded between \$50,000 and \$500,000**  
79 **through formal competitive processes** for the month of September 2007; Purchasing.

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2 Mr. Bauer moved, to accept AIM 95-2007,  
3 Ms. Ossiander seconded,  
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5 Mr. Bauer requested clarity on the proposed \$440,000 contract to provide parks and recreation facility upgrades for the  
6 Far North Bicentennial Park, athletic fields and a Hillside master plan. Mayor Begich responded emails had been sent  
7 to Assemblymembers, responding to Ms. Johnston's questions on the same issue. Parks and Recreation Director Jeff  
8 Dillon responded that the contract was specifically for trail development in Far North Bicentennial Park, a master plan  
9 for Section 36 on the Hillside and redevelopment of the 110 athletic fields, using bond funds and other private and  
10 grant sources, including \$6 million for soccer fields from the Rasmuson Foundation funds.  
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12 and this was accepted without objection.  
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14 Ms. Ossiander moved, to Change the Order of the Day to take up 11.D and 11.E,  
15 Mr. Traini seconded,  
16 and this was approved without objection.  
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18 **10.F. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION** None were pulled for review.  
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20 **11. OLD BUSINESS AND UNFINISHED ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

21 11.A. Ordinance No. AO 2007-121, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Chapters 21.40 and  
22 21.50 and amending Anchorage Municipal Code of Regulations 21.20.002 Schedule of Fees - Zoning  
23 to provide for **administrative site plan review and approval of restaurant or eating place**  
24 **alcoholic beverage license use**; Assembly Chair Coffey.

- 25 1. Ordinance No. AO 2007-121(S), an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Chapters  
26 21.40 and 21.50 and amending Anchorage Municipal Code of Regulations 21.20.002  
27 Schedule of Fees - Zoning to provide for administrative site plan review and approval of  
28 restaurant or eating place alcoholic beverage license use; Assembly Chair Coffey.
- 29 2. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 636-2007.
- 30 3. Ordinance No. AO 2007-121(S-1), an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code  
31 Chapters 21.40 and 21.50 and amending Anchorage Municipal Code of Regulations  
32 21.20.002 Schedule of Fees - Zoning to provide for administrative site plan review and  
33 approval of restaurant or eating place alcoholic beverage license use; Assembly Chair Coffey.
- 34 4. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 664-2007; Assembly Chair Coffey. (**Laid on the Table**)  
35 (*Public Hearing was closed 10-9-07; Action was Postponed from 10-9-07*)  
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37 Ms. Ossiander moved, to introduce AM 664-2007, added to AO 2007-121 as 11.A.4,  
38 Dr. Selkregg seconded,  
39 Mr. Claman was the concurring third.  
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41 Chair Coffey read the ordinance title and stated there was no motion pending.  
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43 Mr. Traini moved, to approve AO 2007-121(S-1),  
44 Ms. Ossiander seconded,  
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46 Chair Coffey requested that Vice Chair Ossiander assume the Chair, to allow him to speak to the matter.  
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48 Mr. Coffey stated that he introduced this ordinance to simplify the land use permit process for restaurant-eating place  
49 licenses. AM 664-2007 was added that evening, outlining the process changes. He proposed an amendment.  
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51 Mr. Coffey moved, to amend AO 2007-121 S-1 on Page16, Lines 1-11, by  
52 Mr. Sullivan seconded, *changing* to read: 4. *Appeals*. A decision of the director of  
53 community planning and development or the director's  
54 designee under this section is final unless appealed within 15  
55 days to the ~~[planning and zoning commission]~~ "Assembly."  
56 An appeal may be filed by the applicant or by a petition of at  
57 least one-third of the owners of the privately owned land  
58 (excluding rights-of-way) within 500 feet of the outer  
59 boundary of the petition site. If an appeal is filed timely, the  
60 ~~[planning and zoning commission]~~ "Assembly" shall hold a  
61 public hearing, in accordance with Section 21.15.005, at its  
62 next available meeting and apply the standards of this  
63 section. An appeal from a decision of the ~~[planning and~~  
64 ~~zoning commission]~~ "Assembly" may be brought in  
65 accordance with Section 21.30.010.B.;  
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67 Dr. Selkregg stated that Mr. Coffey had clarified many of her concerns and she requested a response from Bernadette  
68 Bradley, who represented the industry. Ms. Bradley responded the industry still had concerns with singling out beer  
69 and wine licenses, which were no different than full-beverage dispensary or package store licenses. Restaurant-eating  
70 place licenses were required to have 50% food sales on premise, but the Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) Board did  
71 not have the budget to audit beer and wine licenses. The line was getting blurred between beer and wine licenses and  
72 full beverage dispensary licenses. There was no difference between a shot of whiskey and a full glass of chardonnay.  
73 Dr. Selkregg supported the Coffey amendment. It was a complex ordinance and understanding the impacts and how it  
74 would affect the industry was important.  
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76 and the motion was passed without objection.  
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78 Mr. Tesche stated it was becoming harder to tell the difference between an establishment that served beer and wine  
79 and an establishment with a full beverage dispensary license and he questioned why they were being treated

1 differently. Mr. Coffey responded that Title 4 provisions showed there was a substantial difference. Restaurant-eating  
2 places had not created the same impacts as other bars and his intention was to change the process for these licenses,  
3 eliminating the excess paperwork and saving staff time. His intention was to combine the two processes into one for  
4 licenses which historically had the least impact to adjacent property owners, to see if it worked. He could not recall  
5 one case when the Assembly had protested renewal or taken action against any restaurant-eating place license. Mr.  
6 Tesche stated that the licenses were becoming more and more similar. Mr. Coffey responded that the ABC Board  
7 monitored the 50% revenue from food, referred as 'bona-fide eating place' and had recently turned down an  
8 application that did not qualify. Mr. Tesche stated that it was important for community councils to speak to liquor  
9 license issues. Mr. Coffey responded that input from the public and community councils would remain the same when  
10 there was a transfer of license or location. His recommendation was to allow public notice and comment in a single  
11 process. Mr. Coffey responded the public would still be able to comment on Title 4 provisions and zoning land use  
12 issues when the matter was addressed by the Assembly, which was outlined on Page 14 to 16. The difference was  
13 that it would be one process, not two.

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15 To Acting Chair Ossiander, Planning Department Director Tom Nelson responded that the requirements for conditional  
16 use standards were included in code and involved land use impact-related standards.

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18 To Mr. Tesche, Mr. Nelson responded the Assembly retained the right to consider Title 21 and land use implications  
19 when considering licenses. Mr. Coffey responded the effort was to handle the application review in one process, to  
20 address all the issues, including all liquor and land use issues. Conditions, if any, would be imposed by the Assembly,  
21 with standard conditions like parking, ingress and egress and others prescribed by ordinance. Mr. Tesche stated that  
22 while it was commendable to create a single process, adding a staff person for an administrative review would create  
23 an additional step.

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25 Dr. Selkregg stated that the S-1 version dealt successfully with many of her questions, including the public process  
26 and the appeal process. To Vice Chair Ossiander, Dr. Selkregg responded that if the liquor license permit and land  
27 use were addressed and if the public process and appeals process were in place, she would support.

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29 To Mr. Tesche, Dr. Selkregg responded that she assumed the Planning Department Officer would provide adequate  
30 notification to the neighborhoods and community councils. Mr. Nelson concurred.

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32 To Mr. Starr, Mr. Nelson responded that the distributed list was of the 12 restaurant-eating place licenses approved  
33 over the past 12 months. Mr. Coffey responded that there would not be any more applications for beer and wine  
34 licenses just because the process was more streamlined. Mr. Starr supported a simpler and less costly process and  
35 stated the matter could be addressed again in the future if there were concerns. He urged supported for the S-1  
36 version.

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38 Dr. Selkregg stated that she appreciated Ms. Bradley's concern, which would be addressed at a later time. She stated  
39 that the public process would be included and she supported the ordinance.

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41 Mr. Birch supported streamlining the process. Mr. Coffey responded that the process of reviewing liquor licenses was  
42 divided into two processes about 15 years ago. The reason he addressed only restaurant-eating place licenses was  
43 because there were fewer impacts, as compared to full beverage dispensary licenses, which had many impacts to  
44 neighbors and the community. He proposed to try it over the next five years to see how it worked. If it worked well, it  
45 may be considered for the other licenses. Mr. Birch supported the ordinance.

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47 Mr. Tesche questioned whether the ordinance was clear in stating the intent of allowing the Assembly to continue  
48 establishing and administering land use standards for these particular licenses, involving the Title 4 applications.  
49 Municipal Attorney Jim Reeves responded YES. Mr. Tesche questioned whether the ordinance diminished public  
50 involvement on these matters. Mr. Reeves responded that his personal opinion was that it was a good alternative. Mr.  
51 Tesche stated he was reasonably satisfied with Mr. Coffey's interpretation of the new process and he would support it.  
52 He still questioned restaurant-eating places being treated differently.

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54 Mr. Tesche moved, *to postpone* AO 2007-121(S-1) for thirty days, pending  
55 and this died for a lack of a second. submission of an S-2 or S-3 version, which would apply this  
56 process to all types of liquor license premises,  
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58 Mr. Sullivan stated that evolution had led to a proper process, allowing staff to determine specific and technical code  
59 requirements on conditional uses, including zoning, parking, egress and ingress and proper distances from churches  
60 and schools. The new S-1 version cleaned up the process and it was appropriate to have it apply to beer and wine  
61 licenses, as a start. He would not support the same process for full beverage dispensary licenses, which had more  
62 problems and concerns. He supported the S-1 version, as amended.

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64 Acting Chair Ossiander put the Question.

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

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68 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.  
69 NAYES: None.

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71 11.B. Resolution No. AR 2007-211, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$496,000  
72 from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to the Anchorage Parks and  
73 Recreation Service Area Capital Improvement Fund (461) for the purpose of funding the construction  
74 of an **irrigation system** for the Kincaid Outdoor Center's Multi-Use Fields; Anchorage Parks &  
75 Recreation Department.

76 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 571-2007.  
77 (*Public Hearing was Closed 10-9-07; Action was Postponed from 10-9-07*)  
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1 Chair Coffey resumed as Assembly Chair and read the resolution title. Public Hearing was closed on October 9<sup>th</sup>. He  
2 called the Question.

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4 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AR 2007-211,  
5 Mr. Claman seconded,  
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7 Dr. Selkregg stated that she was pleased with the appropriation, but this involved Housing and Urban Development  
8 money and she was concerned with how HUD money was being spent at the national level.

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10 and this was passed, 11-0.

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12 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.

13 NAYES: None.  
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- 15 11.C. Ordinance No. AO 2007-113, an ordinance adopting the **Anchorage Downtown Comprehensive**  
16 **Plan** as an element of the *Comprehensive Plan*, amending Anchorage Municipal Code  
17 Sections 21.05.030, and amending AO 2006-172, Attachment A, at Anchorage Municipal Code  
18 Section 21.01.080 (Planning and Zoning Commission Case 2007-076); Planning Department.  
19 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 475-2007.  
20 (*Public Hearing was Closed 9-25-07; Action was Carried Over from 9-25-07 and 10-9-07*)  
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22 Chair Coffey stated that Public Hearing was closed and a motion was on the floor.

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24 Ms. Ossiander had moved, to approve AO 2007-113,  
25 Mr. Sullivan had seconded,  
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27 Ms. Ossiander proposed to amend the ordinance with portions of recommendations prepared by Planning Department  
28 staff, compiled in a document date September 21<sup>st</sup>. (*Clerk's Note: This document, entitled "Anchorage Downtown*  
29 *Comprehensive Plan - Recommended Line-Item Amendments to the March 2007 Public Hearing Draft," dated*  
30 *September 21, 2007, is referred to in the Meeting Minutes as "Recommended Line-Item Amendments."*)  
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32 Ms. Ossiander moved,  
33 Mr. Sullivan seconded,  
34 and this was approved without objection.

- 35 to amend AO 2007-113 *by adding Recommended*  
36 *Line-Item Amendments, Numbers 1-8 on Page [4] 2:*  
37 1. Pursuant to the Issue #1 recommendations on page 10 of  
38 Attachment A, add a new bullet under the first Urban  
39 Design Goal on page 91 of the draft Plan, to read:  
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  - 42 • "Design roadways to reduce and minimize motor  
43 vehicle traffic impacts on adjoining outdoor and  
44 indoor spaces."
- 45 2. Pursuant to the Issue #2 recommendations on pages 10-  
46 12 of Attachment A, add the following sentence to the  
47 paragraph describing the Downtown Mixed-use  
48 Residential District on the lower left side of page 49 on  
49 the draft Plan:  
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  - 52 • "The Mixed Use Residential District accommodates  
53 existing office uses and will allow office/mixed-use  
54 development at a scale and intensity that is  
55 compatible with a residential-oriented district."
- 56 3. Pursuant to the Issue #3 recommendations on pages 12  
57 of Attachment A, amend action LU-6 on page 126 of the  
58 draft Plan, as follows:  
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  - 60 • ... a diverse mix of housing types "and income levels"  
61 Downtown.;
- 62 4. Using the general guidance of the Issue #5 response on  
63 page 14 of Attachment A, the following bullet is  
64 recommended to be added to the Development  
65 Specifications for the Downtown Core district on the  
66 lower left column on page 48 of the draft Plan:  
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  - 69 • "High concentrations of employment, with densities  
70 reaching 50 or more employees per acre."
- 71 5. Pursuant to the *Issue #3* recommendations on page 12 of  
72 Attachment A, amend the first bullet in the second  
73 column of page 44 of the draft Plan:  
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  - 76 • Make Downtown a priority location for "federal, state  
77 and local" government administrative employment  
78 and services;
- 79 6. Pursuant to the Issue #10 recommendations on page 16  
of Attachment A, add a bullet under Develop a  
Coordinated Parking Program on page 46 of the draft  
Plan, to read as follows:

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Ms. Ossiander moved,  
Dr. Selkregg seconded,

- “Reduce parking demand through transit services, programs, incentives and amenities recommended in this plan.”
7. Using the general guidance of the *Issue #12* recommendation on page 17 of Attachment A, amend the second bullet under “Enhancing Downtown’s Arts, Culture and Entertainment Focus” on page 45 of the draft Plan, to read:
- “Encourage the development of” [Prioritize space for] studio[s] and gallery” [ies] “space” in the arts districts [{} identified on the Downtown Districts Diagram[, opposite page] “, recognizing that Downtown arts can complement arts districts elsewhere in the community.”
8. Pursuant to the *Issue #15* recommendations on page 52 of Attachment A, change the last bulleted criteria on page 65 of the draft Plan to read:
- New projects should be designed to preserve views outward to the natural environments as well as views inward to “usable outdoor public space” within the city center.;
- to amend AO 2007-113 *by adding* Recommended Line-Item Amendments, Numbers 9, 10 & 11 on Pages 3 & 4 as follows:
9. Pursuant to the *Issue #16* recommendations on page 18 of Attachment A, amend the draft Plan as follows:
- a. Amend the open space goal on Page 41 to read:
- Maintain”, supplement” and enhance open space**
- As Downtown densifies and develops, it is critical that the hierarchy of parks and open space is maintained “and supplemented” to accommodate new residents and workers.;
- b. Amend the second bullet in the right column on page 66 to read:
- As Downtown becomes more densely developed, it is important to preserve, ~~and~~ maintain “and supplement” its open spaces.;
10. Pursuant to the *Issue #20* recommendations on pages 21 and 52 of Attachment A, make the following amendments to the draft Plan:
- a. Amend the second bullet on page 121 of the Plan as follows:
- “Develop improvement plans based on a public process to improve” [improve] Town Square, Delaney Park and the Weekend Market site to ...[---];
- b. Replace the language in LU-14 on page 127 of the Plan with the following:
- “Complete a public process to create an improvement plan for Town Square Park.”
- c. Add the following language as a new narrative sidebar on page 67 of the draft Plan. In order to provide space for the following language, shift the Downtown Open Space Diagram from page 67 to 66. and remove the City-wide Open Space Diagram from page 66 to the open space background discussion in Appendix A of the draft Plan.
- “Town Square Park**
- The Downtown Plan strategy for Town Square Park builds on Town Square’s current role and function as

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a community gathering area with programmed events on weekends and holidays and more informal community use during the week. This strategy is consistent with the 2006 Anchorage Bowl Park, Natural Resource and Recreational Facility Plan, which designates Town Square Park as a "Community Use: Town Center Park" (Appendix B, Page 7). The management intent is to have Town Square remain as a desirable place for the community to gather and to participate in special events and also as a place for active and/or passive use the majority of the time. The programs and use areas in the park should continue to serve all members of the community.

The Downtown Plan recommends consideration of improvements to Town Square Park that can support and enhance these functions. The Downtown Plan also recommends that an overall parks and open space plan be developed for Downtown. That process will identify long term future open space needs and enhancements in Downtown. Any proposed improvements or changes to the design of Town Square Park beyond the repair or replacement of existing elements will undergo a separate site-specific park master plan process that includes the public's involvement as well as approval by the Parks and Recreation Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission.;"

11. Pursuant to the *Issue #22* recommendations of page 53 of Attachment A, add the following references to existing height limitations to the draft Plan:

- a. Page 58 (Building Design Guidelines for Catalytic Sites #2 and #3) – Add two bulleted design guidelines which state:
  - "Encourage structured parking to be underground, to help avoid unnecessary building heights and reserve more above-ground space for activity-generating uses near Town Square Park."
  - "Preserve sunlight access to Town Square Park through building heights and massing. Ensure that Catalytic Development Site #3 adheres to height limitations which are already established by municipal ordinance (AO 85-173)."
  
- b. Page 104 (Sunlight Access) – Add language to the third bullet as follows:
  - Preserv"e" sunlight access to the following sites in Downtown:
    - Public parks and plazas, such as Town Square Park and Delaney Park. "Meet or exceed existing sunlight access protections for Town Square Park including the height limitations established by municipal ordinance (AO 85-173).;

To Mr. Starr, Mr. Nelson responded that 'Town Square' was the same as 'Town Square Park.'

and this passed unanimously, 11-0.

Ms. Ossiander moved,  
Mr. Sullivan seconded,  
and this passed unanimously, 11-0.

to amend AO 2007-113 *by adding* Recommended Line-Item Amendment Number 12 on Pages 4 & 5:

12. Pursuant to the *Issue #24* recommendations on pages 53 and 54 of Attachment A, make the following changes to pages 68-69 of the draft Plan:

- a. Change the title of the historic preservation section as follows:

**7. "Establish Strategies for Downtowns Historic**

**Preservation** ~~**[Create a Historic Overlay Zone and Commission]**~~

- b. Using the general guidance of the Commission's recommendations on pages 53 and 54 of Attachment A, replace the narrative content of this section to the following:

"Downtown Anchorage features a rich and diverse collection of sign significant historic and cultural sites that has increasingly become a major focal point of attraction for both Alaskan residents and out-of-state visitors.

This section recommends the development of an overarching historic preservation strategy specifically for Downtown, to be undertaken by the Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission (AHPC), to identify historic resources, issues and opportunities, and create a framework of historic preservation policies, guidelines and strategies for Downtown. The general policy objectives for this effort would be to

- promote public awareness of Downtown's historic resources and their value of the future of Downtown and the overall community;
- promote consideration of historic resources in planning a development decision by the public and private sectors;
- promote strategic partnerships to further the interests of historic preservation; and
- leverage historic resources as cultural and economic development assets for the future growth and vitality of Downtown.

One of the outcomes of this public process could be consideration of a historic overlay zone in Downtown. An historic overlay zone could help to define key areas and to serve as a cultural anchor to preserve and celebrate downtown's heritage and unique sense of place. It could provide a focus area for incentives, programs and development guidelines related to historic preservation.

Other potential outcomes could include actions or programs such as:

- maintaining an inventory of historic resources
- recommend procedures for the identification and designation of historic resources
- providing financial incentives such as grants, tax relief, loans and/or loan guarantees
- providing information to historic property owners on methods of maintaining and rehabilitating and etc
- developing guidelines for historic preservation and identifying appropriate zoning and development provisions applicable to historic properties; and/or
- expanding public information and interpretive programs and activities.

These strategies are derived from the powers and duties of the Historic Preservation Commission, and should be refined and developed through a public process involving property owners, businesses and other community stakeholders.

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Ms. Ossiander moved,  
Mr. Sullivan seconded,  
and this was later amended,

- c. Delete the conceptual boundaries of the overlay zone from the historic resources map on page 68 of the draft Plan.

to amend AO 2007-113 *by adding* Recommended Line-Item Amendment Number 13 on Pages 5, 6 & 7:

13. Pursuant to the *Issue #25 and #26* recommendations on pages 24-27 and 54 of Attachment A, make the following changes to the draft plan:

- a. On page 41, change the supporting sentence of the fourth land use goal to:

Minimize the "life safety" risks "to building occupants and economic vulnerability of property owners and the community as a whole" [to the public] for any future development proposed in "areas with potentially high or very high ground failure susceptibility" [seismic hazard zones #4 and #5] (see Seismic Hazards Diagram, page...);

- b. On page 47, add an overall statement which precedes the descriptions of the individual sub-districts:

"Certain proposed uses or intensities may be more restricted or not allowed within Seismically Induced Ground failure Zone #4 or #5, subject to current building code requirements and a Community Risk Assessment discussed in the seismic section at the end of Chapter 4 in Appendix A."

- c. On page 48, add a bulleted "Development Specification" for the DT-1 district:

- "Certain proposed uses, intensities and building heights may be more restricted within seismic ground failure zones #4 and #5. Seismic constraints in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues are anticipated to limit the height and size of structures."

- d. On pages 48 and 49, change the first bulleted "Development Specification" for the DT-2 East Avenues and Legal/Office sub-districts to:

- 2 to 10 stories; 20 to 60-plus units/acre per Merrill Field flight path, "and depending on seismic restrictions within seismic ground failure zones #4 and #5"

- e. On page 49, add a bulleted "Development Specification" for the DT-3 Park Strip North sub-district:

- "Residential density and building height may be more restricted within high seismic ground failure zones, especially near the bluff over Bootleggers Cove."

- f. On page 50, change the narrative description of the DT-3 Pioneer Slope sub-district as follows:

...is located in "seismically induced ground failure zone #5, with very high grounds failure susceptibility" [a high seismic risk area] and "is considered for" [comprised of] a diverse mix of "low to medium density" uses, including open space, commercial, residential and industrial uses. [Numerous parcels are prime sites for seismically engineered, medium density mixed use development.]"

- g. Move the "Seismic Constraints" section from the end of Chapter 6 Urban Design (pp 112-113 of the Plan) to occupy two pages the end of Chapter 4 (after page 69 of the Plan).

- h. Using the general guidance of the Commission's recommendations on pages 26-27 and 54 of

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Attachment A, replace the narrative content of this section with the following:

**“8. Address Seismic Hazards**

One goal of this Plan is to address the seismic hazards which affect some areas of Downtown. This section provides strategies to help minimize the life/safety risks to the public and economic vulnerability of property owners and the overall community for future development in areas with high ground failure susceptibility.

The Seismically Induced Ground Failure Zones (hereafter called seismic ground failure zones) depicted on the Seismic Hazards Diagram are based on the areas of destructive land sliding and ground spreading that occurred during the 1964 M 9.2 earthquake, and based on many studies performed in the area since that event. Of these hazard areas, seismic ground failure zones 4 and 5 are the most susceptible to land sliding and ground spreading should another major earthquake occur. The International Building Code and its local amendments which were adopted in 2003, reference the mapped seismic ground failure zones and require various levels of site-specific geotechnical analysis to be completed as part of the building permit process.

In addition to the seismic ground failure zones, a downtown buttress area was established by the Alaska State Housing Authority as a part of an Urban Renewal Study which was completed following the 1964 earthquake. The buttress area was established to stabilize adjacent downtown lands from sliding when the next major earthquake occurs. Development restrictions were established for the buttress area, including restrictions on building height and weight, and limits regarding excavation and fill. These conditions were included in restrictive covenants which were in place until sunseting in 2005. Additional background regarding seismic ground failure zones, the buttress area and current building permit requirements is provided in Appendix A of this Plan.

The following strategies are recommended to address future development in seismic ground failure zones 4 and 5 in the Downtown area:

- A [community] “seismic” risk assessment should be conducted to assist the community in determining an acceptable level of risk associated with locating various types of development in seismic hazard areas. The risk assessment should consider the life/safety of building occupants, potential loss or damage to critical facilities such as hospitals which would be needed after a major earthquake, and economic loss of buildings and infrastructure. The risk assessment should also include recommendations for changing municipal requirements regarding appropriate land uses, building design criteria and other regulatory changes within seismic ground failure zone 4 or 5.
- Until a [full community] “seismic” risk assessment is completed, a descriptive ground failure overlay zone should be considered for the downtown area. This interim overlay zone would provide information about current building code requirements and geotechnical review procedures for seismic ground failure zones 4 and 5.
- The possible re-establishment of development restrictions affecting the buttress area should be

considered when land use regulations are being developed to implement the downtown plan."

- i. Add the boundaries of the existing Buttress Area for informational purposes to the Seismic Hazards Diagram (Attached at the end of this memorandum).
- j. Provide an informational background discussion of the technical and historical basis for the delineation of the seismically induced ground-failure zones, as well as the current restrictions on development in these zones, in the Downtown Plan Appendix A existing conditions analysis.

Ms. Ossiander proposed to amend Page 6, addressing the community risk assessment, because of the cost and time involved. The Planning Department had recommended substituting 'seismic' for 'community' risk assessment.

Ms. Ossiander moved, to amend Amendment #13 on Page 6, Lines 35-46 by  
Mr. Sullivan seconded, *changing [community] and [full community] to "seismic"*  
risk assessment,

To Chair Coffey, Planning Department Director Tom Nelson responded that 'seismic' was the correct language.

To Dr. Selkregg, Geotechnical Advisory Commissioner David Cole responded that the maps showed hazard areas with potential for ground failure. The seismic risk assessment would help determine how safe areas were against hazards occurring, and would help the city make rational decisions on what types of buildings would be allowed in those areas. The Commission did not have the expertise or time to devote to an evaluation of those risks and had recommended an experienced professional firm make the assessments. Dr. Selkregg stated that there were properties along 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue that were good locations to develop. The Assembly needed to determine the type of land use that would be appropriate for those areas and the risks that would be taken.

Mr. Starr stated the map clearly showed different areas and the issue was clear. The amendment addressed it and he supported it.

and the motion to amend was approved without objection.

and the motion to amend AO 2007-113 by adding #13, as amended, was passed, 11-0.

Ms. Ossiander proposed to add Amendment Number 14, with an amendment, which was supported by the Planning Department.

Ms. Ossiander moved, to amend AO 2007-113 *by adding* Recommended Line-Item  
Mr. Sullivan seconded, Amendment Number 14, on Page 7, as amended:  
14. Using the general guidance of the *Issue #27*  
recommendation on page 27 of Attachment A, amend  
Overarching Goal 4, Improve Connectivity, on page 27 of  
the draft Plan as follows:  
  
Link amenities, housing, office space, retail and natural  
resources to enhance Downtown's sense of place and  
connectivity among destinations. "Promote walking as  
[the primary] "an important" mode of local circulation  
within Downtown." Strengthen intermodal connections,  
making it easier for Downtown pedestrians to use  
Anchorage's air, rail, bus and ferry terminals.;

Mr. Tesche objected to anything that would weaken this particular plan. Deemphasizing walking as a form of getting around within Downtown did not make sense. He opposed the amendment.

Dr. Selkregg supported the amendment.

and this motion was passed, 10-1,  
with Mr. Tesche objecting.

Ms. Ossiander moved, to amend AO 2007-113 *by changing* Recommended Line-  
Mr. Sullivan seconded, Item Amendment Number 15 on Page 7:  
15. Pursuant to the *Issue #28* recommendations of pages 27-  
28 and 55 of Attachment A, replace the last two bullets  
on page 72 of the draft Plan with the following:  
  
• "The planned Seward/ Glenn Highways "Freeway-to-  
Freeway Connection" could have significant benefits  
to Downtown, increasing redevelopment potential in  
Downtown and neighboring Fairview by alleviating  
the regional through-traffic in these areas."  
  
• [The proposed Knik Arm Crossing should be directly  
incorporated into the Freeway to Freeway  
Connection, to ensure an integrated regional

~~transportation system involving both projects. If a Knik Arm Crossing were instead connected directly to the A/C couplet, it would carry much more regional through traffic, gravel and freight through the Downtown Core. This would negatively impact local circulation and the potential for high-density mixed-use redevelopment.”]~~

- “The proposed Knik Arm Crossing should be incorporated, when necessary, into the Freeway to Freeway Connection, to ensure an integrated Regional Transportation System. A Knik Arm Crossing connected only to the A/C Couplet would carry more regional traffic through the Downtown Core. This could negatively impact local circulation and the potential for high density mixed use redevelopment.”

Mr. Sullivan stated the purpose was to bring the Plan into compliance with the Long Range Transportation Plan, following similar language approved by the AMATS Policy Committee. The LRTP language included recognition of the Highway-to-Highway Project and the Ingra-Gambell Connection across Ship Creek as critical complementary projects linked to the Knik Arm Crossing. As part of this effort, it was understood that KABATA would fund the design and construction of the Ingra-Gambell Connection to open as early as 2018, if needed. ‘When necessary’ and ‘if needed’ were the two key phrases. As traffic counts and any related impacts from the traffic counts require, the Ingra-Gambell Connection and the Freeway-to-Freeway Corridor would be constructed. It recognized the Downtown Plan, including not ‘if,’ but ‘when,’ which basically acknowledged that this would happen, but costs would not be incurred until such time as necessary.

Dr. Selkregg questioned use of ‘when necessary.’ Mr. Sullivan responded that this implied when there was a certain traffic threshold, which would be constantly monitored monthly and yearly, that it would determine when it (*the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection*) would make sense. Dr. Selkregg stated the Downtown Plan clearly recognized that running traffic from the bridge through Downtown would be a pretty devastating element for the growth of Downtown.

Mr. Tesche stated that the Knik Arm Crossing needed to be incorporated to the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection.

Mr. Tesche moved,  
Mr. Claman seconded,

to amend the Sullivan Amendment, *by changing to*  
read:

- ~~[The proposed Knik Arm Crossing should be directly incorporated into the Freeway to Freeway Connection, to ensure an integrated regional transportation system involving both projects. If a Knik Arm Crossing were instead connected directly to the A/C couplet, it would carry much more regional through traffic, gravel and freight through the Downtown Core. This would negatively impact local circulation and the potential for high-density mixed-use redevelopment.”]~~ “The proposed Knik Arm Crossing should be incorporated ~~[, when necessary,]~~ into the Freeway to Freeway Connection, to ensure an integrated Regional Transportation System. A Knik Arm Crossing connected only to the A/C Couplet would carry more regional traffic through the Downtown Core. This could negatively impact local circulation and the potential for high density mixed use redevelopment.”

Mr. Sullivan opposed, stating that the amendment would bring the language into noncompliance with the LRTP. His goal was to make the two plans work together. The key element was that when it was needed, it would be built.

To Mr. Claman, Mayor Begich responded that he supported the original language and opposed the Sullivan Amendment. The Assembly had passed a resolution that AMATS later changed. Mr. Claman stated that deleting ‘when necessary’ would be consistent with what the Assembly had previously approved, which included a specific date and time for the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection. Waiting to address the connection until it was necessary would be too late. It would take ten years before the road could be fixed for the already exceeded traffic capacity. The Assembly had supported addressing the matter before a crisis stage. Mayor Begich responded that the Administration had discussed this with KABATA, which did not have a problem with eliminating ‘when necessary.’

Mr. Birch opposed the Tesche Amendment. The Assembly had already addressed the matter and the Sullivan Amendment represented the LRTP, as adopted by AMATS. ‘When necessary’ was appropriate.

Mr. Traini stated that the Assembly set policy, not AMATS. He supported what the Assembly had originally decided, not what AMATS had decided

To Dr. Selkregg, Mr. Nelson responded that he had discussed the amendment with people representing KABATA, who had no problem with removing the words ‘when necessary’ and changing the last sentence by using ‘will’ or ‘would.’ The Planning Department supported the revision.

To Mr. Sullivan, Mary Ann Pease representing KABATA responded that KABATA would be most comfortable with that language that was in conformance with the LRTP. Removing ‘when necessary’ would make it significantly different

1 than what was in the LRTP. KABATA supported language 'when necessary' or 'if needed' and 'would' or 'will' instead  
2 of 'could.'

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4 Chair Coffey called the Question on the Tesche Amendment, amending the Sullivan Amendment.

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8 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Selkregg and Claman.

9 NAYES: Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch and Bauer.

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11 Mr. Tesche moved,  
12 Mr. Claman seconded,

to amend the Sullivan Amendment, *by changing to*  
to read:

- [The proposed Knik Arm Crossing should be directly incorporated into the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection, to ensure an integrated regional transportation system involving both projects. If a Knik Arm Crossing were instead connected directly to the A/C couplet, it would carry much more regional through traffic, gravel and freight through the Downtown Core. This would negatively impact local circulation and the potential for high density mixed use redevelopment.] "The proposed Knik Arm Crossing should be incorporated, when necessary, into the Freeway to Freeway Connection, to ensure an integrated Regional Transportation System. A Knik Arm Crossing connected only to the A/C Couplet **[would]** **"will"** carry more regional traffic through the Downtown Core. This **[could]** **"will"** negatively impact local circulation and the potential for high density mixed use redevelopment."

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34 Mr. Sullivan opposed this and stated that using 'will' when the traffic count on a facility was unpredictable was hard to  
35 quantify. 'Would' or 'could' would better cover the contingencies, waiting to see how the traffic shifted with the  
36 Freeway-to-Freeway Connection.

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38 Mr. Tesche opposed the Sullivan language and supported the amendment.

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40 Mr. Birch opposed the amendment.

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42 Dr. Selkregg stated the proposed language reflected the language that the Assembly had approved, which supported  
43 the LRTP. Mr. Sullivan supported the AMATS interpretation. There were two different processes. She urged the  
44 Assembly to support the original intent.

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46 To Chair Coffey, Mr. Sullivan responded the study that was included with the LRTP showed if the A/C Couplet was the  
47 only route from the bridge and if the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection was built, there would be no significant change  
48 in the current level of service at the Downtown intersections.

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50 Chair Coffey put the Question on the Tesche Amendment to the Sullivan Amendment.

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52 and this motion was passed, 7-4.

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54 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Selkregg and Claman.

55 NAYES: Sullivan, Starr, Birch and Bauer.

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57 Mayor Begich stated that as the Plan was implemented and when the A/C Couplet was at capacity, it would take years  
58 to make the improvements to accommodate the traffic. Mr. Sullivan responded the plans were reviewed on a regular  
59 basis, along with the LRTP. If the bridge was built, as the traffic counts begin to develop, the Plan could be amended.  
60 Once the increase became a trend, it will be anticipated that the trend would accelerate, maintain or decrease and  
61 based on that analysis, planning could begin for accommodating the traffic with the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection.  
62 Mayor Begich urged Mr. Sullivan to include that language. Mr. Sullivan responded the term 'when necessary' did just  
63 that. Addressing the LRTP was a more appropriate place to set times and dates based on data.

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65 Dr. Selkregg stated that by using 'when necessary' would cause congestion to build and by time it was noticed, it  
66 would easily take eight years to complete the connection, which was an enormous project. The amendment was not in  
67 the best interest of Downtown and she urged a NO-vote.

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69 Mr. Tesche concurred with Dr. Selkregg. He strongly opposed the amendment.

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71 Mr. Claman opposed the amendment from the financial perspective. The proposed funding sources were highly  
72 controversial and including the 'when necessary' may be committing the city to build more roads and he urged a NO-  
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75 Mr. Sullivan urged a YES-vote. This would support the LRTP. If the traffic counts were extremely low on the bridge  
76 there would not be a need for a connection. If the traffic counts were extremely high, the bridge tolls would generate  
77 the revenues needed to build the remainder of the project.

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1 Chair Coffey stated that when the Assembly approved the KABATA matter, a date was included. AMATS changed  
2 that date. Mr. Sullivan responded AMATS had considered the financial aspect and had added 'if needed.' The date  
3 may be changed, but it would not change how the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection was made.  
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5 Mayor Begich stated the concern of the city involved the correct planning for the city, not the funding source. KABATA  
6 had helped craft the language and the date on the matter, which was supported by the Assembly. The funding issue  
7 was KABATA's responsibility. The city needed to be concerned with creating the right road infrastructure planning that  
8 was needed to accommodate the increase and make sure the city was not stuck with the bill. The intersections were  
9 already close to capacity.  
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11 Mr. Claman stated that he understood the modification to require the building of the Gambell Interchange would  
12 require more money for the original financing. Adding the 'if necessary' would allow KABATA to finance a lower  
13 amount, with no certainty of financing for the future connection. Mr. Sullivan responded the increased requirement for  
14 financing the Interchange would not be needed until the traffic counts justified a change. Mr. Sullivan responded that  
15 he and Mr. Birch were on the AMATS Policy Committee.  
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17 Ms. Ossiander stated that she now understood the implications that this could potentially limit the finances sought. Mr.  
18 Sullivan concurred. Ms. Ossiander supported the Freeway-to Freeway Connection. She was concerned that KABATA  
19 would go forward with a financial package that did not include the Freeway-to-Freeway Connection.  
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21 Mayor Begich stated that KABATA supported adding the 'when necessary.' KABATA also indicated they would not  
22 support it because it may impact the financing. KABATA could not have it both ways and the city's job was to make  
23 sure the financing package was not the city's responsibility.  
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25 Chair Coffey put the Question on the motion to approve the Sullivan Amendment, as amended.  
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27 and this motion failed, 5-6.  
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29 AYES: Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Birch and Bauer.

30 NAYES: Tesche, Traini, Ossiander, Johnston, Selkregg and Claman.  
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32 Chair Coffey stated that the budget items needed to be taken up and that the Downtown Plan could be continued. Mr.  
33 Traini requested consideration of taking up the I/M issue. Chair Coffey called for a motion to extend the meeting to be  
34 able to take up the I/M issue.  
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36 Mr. Traini moved, to extend the Assembly Meeting to midnight, to take up  
37 Mr. Tesche seconded, the Emissions Testing, I/M issue,  
38 and this motion failed, 5-6.  
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40 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Starr, Coffey and Ossiander.

41 NAYES: Sullivan, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.  
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43 Ms. Ossiander announced that there would not be time in the meeting to address the Dog Park issue and she advised  
44 the large group present that evening to go home. The matter could be continued to the next Assembly Meeting on  
45 November 6<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Selkregg and Mr. Claman supported continuing Public Hearing. Mr. Sullivan responded there was  
46 enough time in the meeting to address the I/M and the dog matter. Mr. Tesche requested setting a date-certain for  
47 those matters. Chair Coffey stated the budget items needed to be addressed.  
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49 Mr. Sullivan moved, to Change the Order of the Day to take up the budget items,  
50 and there were no objections. beginning with 14.A,  
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52 (Clerk's Note: Chair Coffey called a brief at-ease before beginning the budget items. See Agenda 14.A for details.)  
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54 11.D. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 599-2007, Urban Design Commission appointments (Anna  
55 Josephson, Patricia Joyner, Mark Kimerer and Jill Kovalsky); Mayor's Office. (Postponed from 10-9-  
56 07)  
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58 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AM 599-2007,  
59 Mr. Sullivan seconded,  
60 and this passed without objection, 11-0.  
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62 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.

63 NAYES: None.  
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65 11.E. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 634-2007, Community Development Authority Board of Directors  
66 appointment (Sharon Weddleton); Mayor's Office. (Postponed from 10-9-07)  
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68 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AM 634-2007,  
69 Mr. Sullivan seconded,  
70 and this passed without objection, 11-0.  
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72 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.

73 NAYES: None.  
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75 11.F. Ordinance No. AO 2007-122(S), an ordinance repealing Anchorage Municipal Code Chapters 15.80  
76 and 15.85, relating to **Motor Vehicle Emissions Inspection and Maintenance (I/M) Program**;  
77 amending section 9.30.155 to repeal reference to I/M certification; and amending the fine schedule at  
78 Section 14.60.030; Assemblymembers Traini, Starr, Ossiander and Sullivan.  
79 (Public Hearing was Closed 10-9-07; Action was Carried Over from 10-9-07)

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2 (Clerk's Note: Due to lack of time, this item was Carried Over to November 6, 2007.)  
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4 **12. APPEARANCE REQUESTS** None.

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6 **13. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS**

7 13.A. Ordinance No. AO 2007-106, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending  
8 Anchorage Municipal Code Sections 17.10.010, **Animals in Public Places**, to prohibit dogs in  
9 municipal enclosed ballfields; and amending 17.70.020, Civil Penalties for Animal Care and Control  
10 Violations, to establish an enhanced fine for violation of the prohibition; Assembly Chair Coffey.

11 1. Information Memorandum No. AIM 91-2007.

12 2. Ordinance No. AO 2007-106(S), an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly  
13 amending Anchorage Municipal Code Sections 17.10.010, Animals in Public Places, to  
14 prohibit dogs in municipal enclosed ballfields; and amending 17.70.020, Civil Penalties for  
15 Animal Care and Control Violations, to establish an enhanced fine for violation of the  
16 prohibition; Assembly Chair Coffey. (Continued from 9-25-07)  
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18 Ms. Ossiander proposed postponing AO 2007-106 until November 27, 2007, which would coincide with Mr. Claman's  
19 dog ordinance. Dr. Selkregg responded she would also be introducing a substitute version.

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21 Ms. Ossiander moved, to Postpone AO 2007-106, Agenda item 13.A. until  
22 Dr. Selkregg seconded, November 27, 2007,  
23 and this was approved with two objections.  
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25 Chair Coffey announced that all persons present who wished to testify to this matter could return on November 27<sup>th</sup>.  
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27 13.B. Ordinance No. AO 2007-118, an ordinance adopting the **3500 Tudor Road Master Plan** as an  
28 element of *Anchorage 2020* – the Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan and amending Anchorage  
29 Municipal Code Chapter 21; Traffic Department.

30 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 505-2007.

31 (Carried Over from 9-25-07; Continued from 10-9-07)  
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33 (Clerk's Note: Due to lack of time, AO 2007-118 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007.)  
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35 13.C. Ordinance No. AO 2007-23, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending Anchorage  
36 Municipal Code Chapter 21.87, **Subdivision Agreements**, to specify use of stop work orders in the  
37 enforcement of subdivision agreements, add provisions to the subdivision agreements, and provide for  
38 enforcement jurisdiction by the Building Board; amending Chapter 23.10, Anchorage Administrative  
39 Code, to add specificity to stop work orders and to authorize the Building Board to hear appeals under  
40 Subdivision Agreements and Stop Work Orders, with judicial appeal to the superior court; and setting  
41 a time certain for the production of regulations establishing the timetable and schedule for review and  
42 approval of engineering design plans for work under subdivision agreements (Planning & Zoning  
43 Commission Case 2007-043); Assemblymembers Sullivan, Coffey and Bauer.

44 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 74-2007. (Carried Over from 10-9-07)  
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46 (Clerk's Note: Due to lack of time, AO 2007-23 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007.)  
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48 13.D. Ordinance No. AO 2007-25(S), an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending  
49 Anchorage Municipal Code Section 21.15.150, **Improvements Associated with Building and Land  
50 Use Permits**, and providing for determination by the Municipal Engineer (Planning & Zoning  
51 Commission Case 2007-042); Assemblymembers Sullivan, Bauer and Coffey. (Carried Over from 10-  
52 9-07)  
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54 (Clerk's Note: Due to lack of time, AO 2007-25(S) was Carried Over to November 6, 2007.)  
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56 **14. NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS**

57 14.A. Ordinance No. AO 2007-133, an ordinance of the Municipality of Anchorage adopting the **Biennial  
58 General Government Operating Budget** for Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009, and appropriating funds for  
59 Fiscal Year 2008; Office of Management & Budget. (First Public Hearing)

60 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 589-2007.  
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62 Chair Coffey called the Question to combine Public Hearing on all Budget items, including 14.A, 14.B, 14.C, 14.D,  
63 14.E, 14.F and 14.G.  
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65 Mr. Tesche moved, to Combine Public Hearing on AO 2007-133, AO 2007-134,  
66 Ms. Ossiander seconded, AR 2007-219, AO 2007-135, AR 2007-220, AO 2007-136 and  
67 and this was approved without objection. AO 2007-137,  
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69 Chair Coffey stated the Combined Public Hearing included the Biennial General Operating Budget, the 2008 General  
70 Government Capital Improvement Budget, the 2008-2013 General Government Capital Improvement Program, the  
71 Biennial Municipal Utilities/Enterprise Activities Operating Budget, the 2008-2014 Municipal Utilities Capital  
72 Improvement Program, the 2008 Operating Budget for the Cooperative Services Authority (CDA) and the 2008  
73 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Anchorage Community Development Authority (ACDA). He opened the  
74 Combined Public Hearing.  
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76 MARY JO PRUSZENSKI supported full funding for pool operations, including Service Pool, within the Parks and  
77 Recreational Operating Budget, to the level of operation in 2004, when Service Pool was last opened to the public  
78 year-round. To Mr. Tesche, Ms. Pruszenski responded that the funds should come from a reallocation of funds from  
79 the Parks and Recreation Department. She could not make recommendations of programs to be cut in the Parks

1 Department. The Parks and Recreation Commission had approved the budget to move forward, but had qualified it as  
2 inadequate.

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4 MARCIA HARMONY, a mother of three who used the pools, testified that pools were an asset to the community and  
5 needed to be fully operational and maintained. Maintenance to Service Pool had been deferred for ten years. To Mr.  
6 Claman, Ms. Harmony responded the issue was simply maintaining the facilities that the city already had, before  
7 considering any new developments. To Chair Coffey, Ms. Harmony responded that it cost \$1,000 to \$1,500 for  
8 enough swim lessons to be a capable swimmer. She had been and would continue attending all Aquatic Advisory  
9 Commission Meetings.

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11 KEVIN IVERSON supported fully operational pools. He paid about \$350 a month on swim club fees and pool passes  
12 for his two daughters. To Mr. Claman, Mr. Iverson responded that the city had run the pools into the ground and  
13 needed to be responsible for fixing them. The Aquatic (*Advisory*) Commission could explore possibilities of a private  
14 entity managing the pools and bonding. To Dr. Selkregg, he responded that Service Pool was closed. Mr. Traini  
15 responded that the Bartlett Pool was continually used for all state swim meets. It was a state asset that the entire state  
16 used and the state needed to help fund it. To Mr. Bauer, Mr. Iverson responded he would support any and all funding  
17 sources to have the pools opened, including state, private, bonding and other funding sources.

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19 STELLA JACKSON testified against increased property taxes. To Dr. Selkregg, she responded she would support  
20 alternatives to relieve property taxes, including taxes on smokes and alcohol. To Chair Coffey, she responded that  
21 she and her husband loved Alaska, but lived on a fixed income and feared they would not be able to stay because they  
22 could not afford it.

23  
24 ROBIN IVERSON stated that the costs for her daughters were more than her husband had quoted in previous  
25 testimony. To Mr. Traini, she responded that because Service Pool was closed in the morning, she drove her kids to  
26 East High, to maintain their competitive level. To Mr. Claman, she responded the city was passing off the  
27 responsibility to the users, who had not created the problems and were already paying user fees. Mr. Claman stated  
28 that use of private management for parks and recreation facilities in conjunction with the city was appealing because  
29 involving private enterprise would maximize use and make it work better, without increasing user fees. Chair Coffey  
30 stated that he hoped the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Aquatic Advisory Commission would take into  
31 consideration the different ways of funding, with the city taking care of the capital (*improvements*) but, there still was  
32 the question of using the user fees or being supported by tax dollars. She responded that swimming had not found a  
33 private donor to offer support, but there were many improvements that the swim teams were making. The Municipality  
34 was not taking care of the city's assets and was continuing to open new facilities.

35  
36 CLIFF MURRAY, Northern Lights Swim Club Coach, testified that 65% of team dues, excluding the costs of pool  
37 passes, were used for renting the pool. He supported the budget increasing back to the 2004 budget level, which  
38 supported pools. He supported Mr Traini's bond proposal. He supported pool management by the private sector and  
39 financing by any means, including state funding and having users groups involved with fundraisers. To Mr. Claman,  
40 Mr. Murray responded that there were many positives with using the private sector versus city management.

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42 AMY NEILSON, mother of swimmers, questioned how the private sector or user groups could pay for pool  
43 maintenance. Pool maintenance had never been a priority for the Parks and Recreation Department. She supported  
44 a city tax to pay for pools and stated that citizens needed to pay for the services. To Dr. Selkregg, she responded that  
45 swimming was very important to her daughters. The Alaska Club family swimming fees were \$127.00 per month. To  
46 Mr. Bauer, she responded that she was not aware of state funding for Bartlett Pool. She would support increased user  
47 fees. To Mayor Begich, she responded that Bartlett was the only Olympic-sized pool in Alaska. Mayor Begich stated  
48 that Governor Palin had vetoed all state financial support for Bartlett, but the Municipality would continue proposals to  
49 urge the State of Alaska to take responsibility for the capital improvements and he urged the public to work with the  
50 Legislature to make this work. Ms. Neilson responded it was time for the public to step up to the plate and take  
51 responsibility. To Mr. Bauer, she responded she did not know who had proposed closing Bartlett Pool. Mayor Begich  
52 responded the Administration had not recommended closing the pools at Bartlett or Service. To Mr. Traini, she  
53 responded Bartlett Pool was used by teams from all of Alaska. Mr. Traini stated that swimming was an educational  
54 function and the State of Alaska needed to contribute. To Mr. Claman, Ms. Neilson responded that Bartlett Pool could  
55 accommodate all state competition swim meets.

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57 BARBARA DUBOVICH, Campfire USA Anchorage CEO, urged support for municipal matching grants for human  
58 services and community development grants. Campfire USA served nearly 1200 youth every morning and afternoon  
59 in licensed childcare. They also provided three low-income after-school programs that provided adult role models, hot  
60 meals and opportunities for social and peer development. Campfire programs were dependent upon funding and  
61 grants. To Mr. Tesche, Ms. Dubovich responded that Campfire USA was currently receiving a Human Services  
62 matching grant. She responded they received funding from United Way, Campfire USA private funds and other  
63 sources. To Dr. Selkregg, Mayor Begich responded the budget had included \$30,000 and the West Fairview Program  
64 had an additional \$30,000 proposed.

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66 ALISON KEAR, with Covenant House, urged support of \$100,000 municipal matching grants, which supported their  
67 programs that served youth. She urged support for the \$150,000 for the Youth Reception Center, which was currently  
68 in Mayor Begich's budget. Covenant House worked with the APD and Children Services and offered case  
69 management services to youth who were not wanted by their families and juveniles who had offended. Mr. Claman  
70 disclosed a possible conflict of interest because his wife served on the Covenant House Board of Directors. To Chair  
71 Coffey, Mr. Claman responded that his wife volunteered her time and was not paid. Chair Coffey stated it was always  
72 wise to disclose potential conflicts and requested that the Assembly address the matter following Public Hearing.

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74 PAUL D. KENDALL testified that eight cameras, full flat screens and full studio capabilities were needed in the Marston  
75 Theater for the public, press conferences and committee meetings. He stated that the public process was not working.  
76 The Assembly leadership was failing because they were not serving the community's needs. Expenditures were way  
77 out of control and the Assembly needed to meet more often with the public.

1 BARBARA HOOD, Vice Chair of the Parks (*and Recreation*) Commission, stated the Commission endorsed the Parks  
2 General Operating Budget and supported the Youth in Parks Program. The Commission supported the Capital Budget  
3 and urged consideration of adding \$4,000,000 for pool maintenance and capital improvements. The Commission had  
4 requested that the Aquatic Committee work with the Commission, the Assembly and the public to make help resolve  
5 pool issues.

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7 BARBARA MEIER, a pool volunteer and mother of swimmers, testified in support of pools. She stated local swim  
8 coaches at Bartlett and East High Schools had purchased replacement diving boards with their own money.  
9 Volunteers could not complete pool maintenance and she urged support of capital improvements.

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11 Chair Coffey announced that Public Hearing would automatically be continued to the next meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

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13 Mr. Traini moved, to Change the Order of the Day to take up Agenda  
14 Mr. Tesche seconded, Item 15, Special Orders,  
15 and this was approved without objection.

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17 *(Clerk's Note: Chair Coffey moved the body to Agenda Item 15.)*

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19 14.B. Ordinance No. AO 2007-134, an ordinance adopting the **2008 General Government Capital**  
20 **Improvement Budget**; Office of Management & Budget. *(First Public Hearing)*  
21 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 590-2007.

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23 *(Clerk's Note: See Agenda Item 14.A for Combined Public Hearing on Budget Items; The Second Public Hearing was*  
24 *scheduled for 11-06-07)*

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26 14.C. Resolution No. AR 2007-219, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage approving the **2008-2013**  
27 **General Government Capital Improvement Program**; Office of Management & Budget.  
28 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 592-2007. *(First Public Hearing)*

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30 *(Clerk's Note: See Agenda Item 14.A for Combined Public Hearing on Budget Items; The Second Public Hearing was*  
31 *scheduled for 11-06-07)*

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33 14.D. Ordinance No. AO 2007-135, an ordinance adopting the **Biennial Municipal Utilities/Enterprise**  
34 **Activities Operating Budget** for Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009, adopting the Municipal  
35 Utilities/Enterprise Activities Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2008, and appropriating funds for the 2008  
36 Municipal Utilities/Enterprise Activities Operating and Capital Budgets for the Municipality of  
37 Anchorage; Office of Management & Budget. *(First Public Hearing)*  
38 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 591-2007.

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40 *(Clerk's Note: See Agenda Item 14.A for Combined Public Hearing on Budget Items; The Second Public Hearing was*  
41 *scheduled for 11-06-07)*

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43 14.E. Resolution No. AR 2007-220, a resolution approving the **2008-2014 Municipal Utilities Capital**  
44 **Improvement Program**; Office of Management & Budget. *(First Public Hearing)*  
45 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 593-2007.

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47 *(Clerk's Note: See Agenda Item 14.A for Combined Public Hearing on Budget Items; The Second Public Hearing was*  
48 *scheduled for 11-06-07)*

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50 14.F. Ordinance No. AO 2007-136, an ordinance adopting and appropriating funds for the **2008 Operating**  
51 **Budget for the Cooperative Services Authority (CSA)**; Office of Management & Budget.  
52 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 594-2007. *(First Public Hearing)*

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54 *(Clerk's Note: See Agenda Item 14.A for Combined Public Hearing on Budget Items; The Second Public Hearing was*  
55 *scheduled for 11-06-07)*

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57 14.G. Ordinance No. AO 2007-137, an ordinance adopting and appropriating funds for the **2008 Operating**  
58 **and Capital Budgets for the Anchorage Community Development Authority (CDA)**; Office of  
59 Management & Budget. *(First Public Hearing)*  
60 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 595-2007.

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62 *(Clerk's Note: See Agenda Item 14.A for Combined Public Hearing on Budget Items; The Second Public Hearing was*  
63 *scheduled for 11-06-07)*

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65 14.H. Ordinance No. AO 2007-116, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly to provisionally  
66 adopt a new Chapter 21.12, **Nonconformities**, amending Anchorage Municipal Code Title 21 subject  
67 to concurrent final passage and approval of all provisionally adopted chapters of Title 21; Assembly  
68 Vice-Chair Ossiander.  
69 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 500-2007.

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71 *(Clerk's Note: Due to a lack of time, AO 2007-116 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007)*

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73 14.I. Ordinance No. AO 2007-131, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly adopting Anchorage  
74 Municipal Code Section 21.08.060, **Subdivision Agreements**, effective retroactive to June 12, 2007,  
75 the date of Assembly approval of AO 2007-82; Assembly Vice-Chair Ossiander.

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77 *(Clerk's Note: Due to a lack of time, AO 2007-131 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007)*  
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- 1 14.J. Resolution No. AR 2007-221, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$421,872  
2 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice  
3 Assistance Grant, and appropriating \$7,820 from the Anchorage Metropolitan Police Service Area  
4 Fund (151), Anchorage Police Department 2007 Operating Budget as a contribution to the Federal  
5 Categorical Grants Fund (241) Anchorage Police Department, for the purpose of underwriting projects  
6 to **reduce crime and improve public safety**.  
7 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 597-2007.

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9 *(Clerk's Note: Due to a lack of time, AR 2007-221 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007)*

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11 14.K. Resolution No. AR 2007-222, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$1,507,689  
12 as a federal pass-through grant from the Alaska Department of Fish & Game Southeast Sustainable  
13 Salmon Fund to the Areawide General CIP Fund (401); Project Management & Engineering  
14 Department, for the **Little Campbell Creek Fish Passage Improvement Project**.  
15 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 598-2007.

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17 *(Clerk's Note: Due to a lack of time, AR 2007-222 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007)*

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19 14.L. Ordinance No. AO 2007-140, an ordinance amending Anchorage Municipal Code Chapter 27.75,  
20 Sidewalk Vendors by making technical changes in that chapter and deleting the requirement that the  
21 **Sidewalk Vendor Program** terminate on November 1, 2007; Assemblymember Tesche.

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23 *(Clerk's Note: Due to a lack of time, AO 2007-140 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007)*

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25 14.M. Resolution No. AR 2007-217, a resolution ratifying a five year and four month collective bargaining  
26 agreement between the Municipality of Anchorage and the **International Brotherhood of Teamsters,**  
27 **Local 959**; Employee Relations Department.  
28 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 587-2007.

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30 *(Clerk's Note: Due to a lack of time, AR 2007-217 was Carried Over to November 6, 2007)*

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32 **15. SPECIAL ORDERS**

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34 Mr. Traini moved,  
35 Mr. Tesche seconded,  
36 and this was amended,

~~[to contribute]~~ "**to introduce**" an unnumbered resolution  
appropriating \$22,500 from Assembly Department Budget  
Fund 101, to the Anchorage Parks and Recreation  
Department Budget Fund 161, to provide additional pool  
operation funding through December 31, 2007, under the  
Anchorage Parks and Recreation Division Aquatics Program,

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41 Mr. Traini challenged Mayor Begich to match the proposed funds, to create the \$45,000 needed for the pools to stay  
42 fully operational until December 31, 2007, at which time the new budget would take over. Mayor Begich responded  
43 that he and the Administration would commit to matching those funds to make the \$45,000 possible.

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45 Chair Coffey stated that Municipal Clerk Barbara Gruenstein had advised him that it needed to be determined what  
46 commitments the Assembly had previously made.

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48 Dr. Selkregg stated she was happy to solve the problem, but questioned what the Assembly was doing. Chair Coffey  
49 repeated Mr. Traini's proposal. He recommended considering this as introducing a resolution, to be taken on  
50 November 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Traini concurred.

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52 Mr. Traini stated that there was \$49,348 in the Assembly Budget for the remainder of the year. OMB Director Janet  
53 Mitson responded that her office had calculated nearly \$50,000 of undesignated funds remaining in the 2007  
54 *(Assembly)* Budget. To Mr. Traini, Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Dillon responded he could go ahead and start  
55 advertising for staff, assuming the Employee Relations would concur, pending approval of the resolution.

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57 Mr. Birch stated that he had attended a meeting on pool closures and understood that the pool was actually open, but  
58 there was a lack of lifeguard staff to maintain open hours. Mr. Dillon concurred.

59  
60 Chair Coffey stated this could be a formal resolution Laid on the Table for consideration by the Assembly on November  
61 6, 2007. Mr. Traini concurred and accepted that as a friendly amendment.

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63 To Mr. Starr, Ms. Mitson responded that she would review the Parks and Recreation Budget to determine what  
64 remaining funds were allocated for lifeguard staffing and to provide a response to the Assembly.

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66 Chair Coffey stated the Assembly also needed to determine the Assembly commitments, including the new Assembly  
67 Chamber equipment that was outstanding, just to make sure the Assembly was on solid ground before the allocation.

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69 *(Clerk's Note: There was no formal document submitted and there was no final vote taken on the motion to amend or  
70 the main motion to introduce.)*

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72 Chair Coffey called the Question on Adjournment.

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74 *(Clerk's Note: See Agenda Item 20, for details of Adjournment.)*

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76 **16. UNFINISHED AGENDA** None.

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78 **17. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** None.

1 **18. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS**

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3 Chair Coffey welcomed visiting Cub Scout Troop 102, who introduced themselves as Jack Woodkey, Connor Riley,  
4 Samuel Devit, Matthew Stike, John Wilson, Elliot Bennett and Logan Bennett. The Acting Scout Master stated that  
5 Scout Troop 102, Den 4 was from the Bayshore area.

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7 **19. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS** None.

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9 **20. ADJOURNMENT**

10 Chair Coffey called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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13 Mr. Sullivan moved, to adjourn the Regular Assembly Meeting,  
14 Mr. Traini seconded,  
15 and this motion was passed.

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17 AYES: Tesche, Traini, Sullivan, Starr, Coffey, Ossiander, Johnston, Birch, Bauer, Selkregg and Claman.  
18 NAYES: None.

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20 The Regular Assembly Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.  
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25 *See Archived Document for Signatures*

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28 DAN COFFEY, Assembly Chair

29 ATTEST:

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32 *See Archived Document for Signatures*

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35 BARBARA GRUENSTEIN, Municipal Clerk  
36 Date Minutes Approved: [~~December 18, 2007~~] "January 8, 2008."  
37 MC/BG

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39 *(Copies of Approved Meeting Minutes are available from the Municipal Clerk's Office, 632 West 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 250, Anchorage,*  
40 *Alaska, (907)343-4505, or on the Municipal Web Site, [www.muni.org](http://www.muni.org) ~Assembly~Minutes~year~month~day)*  
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