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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 February 13, 2007

19 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

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21 The Assembly Meeting was convened by Chair Sullivan at 5:05 p.m. in Assembly Chambers, Room 108 of the
22 Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street in Anchorage, Alaska.

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

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26 PRESENT: Allan Tesche, Janice Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Paul Bauer, William Starr, Dan Sullivan,
27 Debbie Ossiander, Chris Birch, Dan Coffey, Ken Stout, Dick Traini and Pamela Jennings.

28 ABSENT: None.

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30 **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Assemblymember Bauer led the pledge.

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32 **4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

33 4.A. Special Meeting – February 2, 2007.

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35 Ms. Jennings moved, to approve the Special Meeting Minutes
36 Mr. Traini seconded, of February 2, 2007,
37 and this was passed without objection.

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39 **5. MAYOR'S REPORT**

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41 Mayor Begich introduced Shirley Mae Staten, Coordinator of the Home Based After School Program for Kids, who
42 introduced 5th and 6th graders Albert, Amir, Anthony, Cecelia, Darrion, Grace, Greg, Jackie, Mary, Randall, Zanntina
43 and Zyrelle. Ms. Staten explained their program focused on studies in technology, science and math. Mr. Birch
44 commended them on their pursuit, learning computers and engineering skills.

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

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48 **7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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50 Mr. Bauer reported the February 8th Public Safety Committee Meeting had addressed the process of notifying the
51 Assembly and the Community Councils of liquor license renewals. It was decided that bar files would not include
52 violations unless there was a conviction. Mr. Tesche had prepared an ordinance draft to amend Code, allowing the
53 Public Safety Committee to review additional liquor license concerns. The next meeting was scheduled for March 8th,
54 when the committee would continue to address liquor licenses and address the E-911 System. Chair Sullivan
55 commended Mr. Bauer for his efforts.

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57 Mr. Birch reported the completed 2007 Audit Plan was on the Consent Agenda as item 9.D.5. He thanked Internal
58 Auditor Peter Raiskums for his efforts in putting together the summary and addressing the program.

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60 Mr. Coffey reported the Title 21 Committee would have one more session to complete Chapter 8. The Platting Board
61 and the Planning and Zoning Commission had completed their review and had made recommendations, summarized
62 in a 100-page *Issue/Response* document. He thanked Ms. Jennings, Ms. Ossiander and the Planning Department
63 staff for their efforts. The final presentation to be heard before the Assembly would be scheduled in the near future.
64 Chair Sullivan thanked members and staff for their work on this monumental task.

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66 **8. ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

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68 Chair Sullivan called for a motion and read the Addendum items. Additional items, AR 2007-48, AO 2007-36, AO
69 2007-37 and AO 2007-38 were added and assigned Agenda Numbers 9.B.4, 9.D.9, 9.D.10 and 9.D.11, respectively.
70 With no additional items, Chair Sullivan called for a vote to incorporate the items into the Consent Agenda.

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72 Ms. Jennings moved, to approve the inclusion of the Addendum items
73 Ms. Ossiander seconded, into the Consent Agenda,
74 and this motion was passed unanimously.

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76 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
77 Traini and Jennings.

1 NAYES: None.

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3 Chair Sullivan called the Question on the Consent Agenda.

4 Mr. Starr moved, to approve the Consent Agenda,
5 Ms. Ossiander seconded,

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

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11 **9. CONSENT AGENDA**

12 **9.A. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS** There were none.

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14 **9.B. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - OTHER**

15 9.B.1. Resolution No. AR 2007-36, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly encouraging the
16 **establishment of a bank and/or credit union branch within the Mountain View community;**
17 Mayor Begich; Assemblymembers Tesche, Bauer, Birch, Coffey, Jennings, Ossiander, Shamborg,
18 Starr, Stout, Sullivan and Traini.

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20 Mr. Bauer requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.B.1)

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22 9.B.2. Resolution No. AR 2007-37, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$6,000 from the
23 Eagle River Street Light Service Area (SLSA) Fund Balance (Fund 129) to the Eagle River SLSA
24 BP2006 Operating Budget (Fund 129) for BP2006 **Electric Public Utility Services**; Maintenance &
25 Operations Department.

26 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 133-2007.

27 9.B.3. Resolution No. AR 2007-38, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$10,000 as a
28 donation from the Skyhills Subdivision Homeowners Association to the Anchorage Roads and
29 Drainage Service Area Capital Improvement Fund (441), for the construction of the **Skyhills**
30 **Subdivision Trailhead**; Project Management & Engineering.

31 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 134-2007.

32 9.B.4. Resolution No. AR 2007-48, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly setting forth land use
33 policy on **residential density** for the Municipality of Anchorage; Assemblymember Stout. (**Laid on**
34 **the Table**)

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36 Mr. Stout moved, to introduce AR 2007-48,
37 Mr. Bauer seconded,
38 Mr. Coffey was the concurring third.

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40 Ms. Ossiander requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.B.4)

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42 **9.C. BID AWARDS**

43 9.C.1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 143-2007, recommendation of award to Criterion General, Inc. for
44 **Fire Station No. 4** additions and remodel for the Municipality of Anchorage, Project Management &
45 Engineering Department (ITB 26-C083) (\$3,812,200); Purchasing.

46
47 **9.D. NEW BUSINESS**

48 9.D.1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 141-2007, **Budget Advisory Commission** appointment (Greg
49 Protasel); Mayor's Office.

50 9.D.2. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 142-2007, **Transportation Commission** appointment (Michael
51 White); Mayor's Office.

52 9.D.3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 116-2007, **Ginger #2925** – Transfer of a Restaurant/Eating Place
53 Liquor License (Downtown Community Council); Clerk's Office.

54 9.D.4. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 117-2007, **2007/2008 Liquor License Renewals**: 2Go Tesoro 015
55 #4054, 2Go Tesoro 054 #664, 2Go Tesoro 007 #2553, 2Go Tesoro 003 #2278, 2Go Tesoro 002
56 #2803, 2Go Tesoro 055 #1596, 2Go Tesoro 009 #2614, 2Go Tesoro 073 #3991, 2Go Tesoro 062
57 #1568, 2Go Tesoro 056 #1198, 2Go Tesoro 071 #3732 – Package Store; Pizza Man #1533 –
58 Restaurant/Eating Place; Club 210 East #2159, Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant #3311 – Beverage
59 Dispensary; Denali Winery #3775 - Winery (Taku/Campbell, Rogers Park, Northeast, Abbott Loop,
60 Campbell Creek, Midtown, Eagle River, Spenard, Old Seward/Oceanview Community Councils,
61 Girdwood Board of Supervisors); Clerk's Office.

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63 Mr. Starr requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.D.4)

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65 9.D.5. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 113-2007, **Internal Audit Department, 2007 Audit Plan.**

66 9.D.6. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 118-2007, Change Order No. 1 to Purchase Order No. 260840 for
67 providing **life and disability insurance** with Standard Insurance and Purchase Order No. 260939 for
68 providing individual and aggregate stop loss insurance with Sun Life for the Municipality of Anchorage,
69 Employee Relations (\$1,885,688); Purchasing.

70 9.D.7. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 119-2007, Change Order No. 2 to Purchase Order 250033 with
71 **Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alaska** (Premera) for providing third party administration and
72 preferred provider services, and LifeWise for individual and aggregate stop loss administration to the
73 Municipality of Anchorage, Employee Relations Department (\$1,872,115); Purchasing.

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75 Ms. Ossiander requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.D.7)

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- 1 9.D.8. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 140-2007, Change Order No. 6 to Purchase Order 231254 with
2 Magellan Behavioral Health, Inc. for providing **Employee Assistance Program Services** to the
3 Municipality of Anchorage, Employee Relations Department (\$125,000); Purchasing.
4 9.D.9. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 120-2007, approval of lease amendment with Peach Investments,
5 LLC, to provide leased space for an **antenna site** on the Key Bank Building for the Municipality of
6 Anchorage, Real Estate Services (\$7,200).
7 9.D.10. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 121-2007, 2007 grant award to **Anchor-Age Center, Inc.**
8 (\$395,060); Health and Human Services.
9 9.D.11. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 122-2007, 2007 grant award to **Chugiak Senior Citizens, Inc.**
10 (\$300,000); Health and Human Services.
11 9.D.12. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 123-2007, Amendment No. 1 to the contract with **Abused Women's**
12 **Aid in Crisis (AWAIC)** for providing domestic violence victim support services and legal services
13 (\$105,300); Health and Human Services.
14 9.D.13. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 124-2007, proprietary purchase with Applied Microsystems Inc.,
15 (AMI) to provide **web-site hosting and application development and support services** for the
16 Municipality of Anchorage, Information Technology (\$94,457.92); Purchasing.
17 9.D.14. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 125-2007, proprietary contract award to John C. Martland, Esq., of
18 the Law Offices of Gilman & Pastor, LLP to provide **legal services** on behalf of the Municipality of
19 Anchorage and the Office of the Municipal Attorney on a contingent fee basis.
20 9.D.15. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 126-2007, sole source procurement authorization from various
21 suppliers to support **power generation plant operations** for the Municipality of Anchorage, Municipal
22 Light & Power (\$2,850,000); Purchasing.
23 9.D.16. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 127-2007, sole source membership with **Electric Power Research**
24 **Institute** for the Municipality of Anchorage, Municipal Light and Power (ML&P) (\$35,180); Purchasing.
25 9.D.17. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 128-2007, recommendation of award to Visions Meeting & Event
26 Management, a Division of US Travel Alaska, LLC for providing **event planner services** for the
27 Municipality of Anchorage, Port of Anchorage (RFP 26-P044) (\$1,027,808); Purchasing.
28

29 This was originally passed on the Consent Agenda and later reconsidered. (See item 10.D.17)

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31 9.D.18. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 129-2007, Amendment No. 4 to professional services contract with
32 DOWL Engineers for design and reconstruction services for the **Tudor Road– Harding Drive**
33 **Improvements**, Project No. 02-15 (\$408,210); Project Management & Engineering.
34

35 This was originally passed on the Consent Agenda and later reconsidered. (See item 10.D.18)

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37 9.D.19. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 130-2007, Utility Relocation Agreement with Enstar Natural Gas
38 Company for **48th Avenue/Boniface Parkway Extension, Tudor Road to Bragaw Street**, Project
39 No. 05-30 (\$320,000); Project Management & Engineering.
40

41 Mr. Coffey requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.D.19)

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43 9.D.20. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 131-2007, Amendment No. 1 to professional services contract with
44 CRW Engineering Group for providing professional engineering services for the **72nd Avenue/Spruce**
45 **Street/Lore Road Upgrade**, Project 03-01 (\$174,265); Project Management & Engineering.
46 9.D.21. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 132-2007, Contract Amendment No. 2 to Seacoast Construction Co.
47 for the construction of the **ADA Transit Improvements**, Project No. 04-40 (\$11,000); Project
48 Management & Engineering.
49 9.D.22. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 147-2007, proprietary services contract with **Law Enforcement**
50 **Advanced Development Consultants** for providing international whaling conference event security
51 planning and consultation for the Municipality of Anchorage, Police Department (\$76,960);
52 Purchasing. (**Addendum**)
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54 Mr. Bauer requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (See item 10.D.22)

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56 9.D.23. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 148-2007, recommendation to enter into a Transfer of
57 Responsibilities Agreement with the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities for the
58 construction of **Lake Otis Parkway Pavement Rehabilitation**, 68th Avenue to Abbott Road, and 88th
59 Avenue Reconstruction, Toloff Street to Lake Otis Parkway, Project No. 03-15 (\$4,455,000); Project
60 Management & Engineering. (**Addendum**)
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62 9.E. INFORMATION AND REPORTS

- 63 9.E.1. Information Memorandum No. AIM 25-2007, **Internal Audit Report 2007-2 – 2006 Parts, Tires and**
64 **Lubricants Inventory, Fleet Maintenance, Facility and Fleet Maintenance, Maintenance and**
65 **Operations**; Internal Audit Department.
66 9.E.2. Information Memorandum No. AIM 26-2007, Notice of Awards for Municipal Light & Power's (ML&P)
67 **annual transformer purchase** for the Municipality of Anchorage, ML&P (ITB 26-B074) (\$816,389.72);
68 Purchasing.
69 9.E.3. Information Memorandum No. AIM 27-2007, **Sole Source Procurement Report** for the months of
70 November and December 2006; Purchasing.
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72 9.F. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION

- 73 9.F.1. Ordinance No. AO 2007-22, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending Anchorage
74 Municipal Code Title 7, **Purchasing and Contracts and Professional Services**, Section 7.15.040, to
75 provide for Assembly approval of contracts over \$500,000, and Section 7.20.060, Competitive Sealed
76 Proposals; Negotiated Procurement, to accommodate best value contracting; Assemblymember
77 Coffey. (*Public Hearing 2-27-07*)
78 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 50-2007.

- 1 9.F.2. Resolution No. AR 2007-39, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating the sum of
2 \$135,195 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and \$323,000 as a contribution from the
3 2007 Department of Health and Human Services Operating Budget (101) to the Federal Categorical
4 Grants Fund (241), Department of Health and Human Services for **air quality monitoring,**
5 **enforcement and planning.** (*Public Hearing 2-27-07*)
6 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 135-2007.
- 7 9.F.3. Resolution No. AR 2007-40, a resolution appropriating a \$1,250,000 contribution from the Maintenance
8 and Operations Department Areawide Service Area Fund (Fund 101) approved in the BP2007 General
9 Government Operating Budget to the Areawide Service Area Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 401) for
10 **major municipal facility upgrades and repairs**, Maintenance & Operations Department. (*Public*
11 *Hearing 2-27-07*)
12 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 136-2007.
- 13 9.F.4. Resolution No. AR 2007-41, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$41,070 from
14 disposal of vehicles and other recoveries to the Areawide General Fund (101) to be contributed and
15 appropriated to the Public Transportation Capital Improvement Fund (485) and authorizing the
16 acceptance of two Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Grants and appropriating \$2,256,800
17 from the Federal Transit Administration to the Public Transportation Capital Improvement Fund (485)
18 for the purchase of capital items and \$288,000 from the Federal Transit Administration along with
19 \$72,000 for local matching funds from the Public Transportation Department's 2006 Operating Budget
20 as a contribution to the Federal Categorical Grants Fund (241) for the **Americans with Disabilities**
21 **Act (ADA) Operating Assistance and Short Range Transit Planning**, Public Transportation
22 Department. (*Public Hearing 2-27-07*)
23 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 137-2007.
- 24 9.F.5. Resolution No. AR 2007-42, a resolution authorizing the Municipality of Anchorage, Public
25 Transportation Department to apply for and accept a Federal Transit Administration Section 5303
26 Metropolitan Planning Program Grant, enter into a Transfer of Responsibilities Agreement in the
27 amount of \$108,997 with the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, State of Alaska, and
28 to appropriate these funds along with \$90,725 for required local matching funds from the Public
29 Transportation Department's 2006 Operating Budget, Areawide General Fund (101), to the State
30 Categorical Grants Fund (231) for financing of the **Transit Planning Program**; Public Transportation
31 Department. (*Public Hearing 2-27-07*)
32 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 138-2007.
- 33 9.F.6. Resolution No. AR 2007-43, a resolution authorizing the Municipality of Anchorage, Public Transportation
34 Department, to enter into a Transfer of Responsibilities Agreement in the amount of \$153,266 with the
35 State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, and appropriating these funds along
36 with \$15,803 for required local matching funds from the Public Transportation Department's 2007
37 Operating Budget, Areawide General Fund (101), to the State Categorical Grants Fund (231) for
38 summer landscaping and winter ice and snow removal at selected bus stops within the Anchorage Area
39 through a **Transit Enhancement Work Program**; Public Transportation Department. (*Public Hearing 2-*
40 *27-07*)
41 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 139-2007.
- 42 9.F.7. Resolution No. AR 2007-46, a resolution of the Anchorage Assembly recommending approval of an
43 amendment to the **Anchorage Bowl 2025 Long-Range Transportation Plan** to the Anchorage
44 Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) Policy Committee; Traffic Department. (*Public*
45 *Hearing 2-27-07*) (**Addendum**)
46 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 149-2007.
- 47 9.F.8. Resolution No. AR 2007-47, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly appropriating
48 \$2,000,000 in previously unappropriated 2006 economy sales revenue and **revising the 2006**
49 **Municipal Light & Power Operating Budget.** (*Public Hearing 2-27-07*) (**Addendum**)
50 a. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 150-2007.
- 51 9.F.9. Ordinance No. AO 2007-36, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending Anchorage
52 Municipal Code Chapter 16.100, private ambulance service, to enact a new Subsection AMC
53 16.100.025A.3. creating a new type III license for limited private ambulance service to provide
54 continuity of patient care with **medical air transport**; Assemblymember Birch. (**Laid on the Table**)
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56 Mr. Birch moved, *to introduce* AO 2007-36 with Public Hearing scheduled
57 Ms. Ossiander seconded, for [~~February 27, 2007~~] "March 27, 2007,"
58 Mr. Stout was the concurring third,
59 and this was later amended without objection.
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- 61 9.F.10. Ordinance No. AO 2007-37, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly repealing Anchorage
62 Municipal Code Sections 4.40.125 and 21.10.028, **Urban Design Commission**, and amending AMC
63 Chapter 7.40 to remove the Urban Design Commission from the jury in selection of Art in Public
64 Facilities, and providing for transition of Advisory Urban Design Commission work in progress to the
65 Planning and Zoning Commission; Assemblymember Birch. (**Laid on the Table**)
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67 Mr. Tesche requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. (*See item 10.F.10*)
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- 69 9.F.11. Ordinance No. AO 2007-38, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending Anchorage
70 Municipal Code Section 4.05.035 to require voting members of municipal advisory boards and
71 commissions to be at least **18 years of age** unless specifically designated otherwise under Municipal
72 Code and establishing an ad hoc non-voting youth delegate program; Assemblymember Coffey.
73 (**Laid on the Table**)
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75 Mr. Coffey moved, *to introduce* AO 2007-38 with Public Hearing
76 Mr. Traini seconded, set for March 27, 2007,
77 Mr. Stout was the concurring third.
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1 Mayor Begich requested this item be pulled for review on the Regular Agenda. *(Clerk's Note: See item 10.F.11)*

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

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5 and this motion, as amended, was passed.

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7 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg *(participating telephonically)*, Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
8 Traini and Jennings.

9 NAYES: None.

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

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13 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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15 **10. REGULAR AGENDA**

16 **10.A. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS** There were none.

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18 **10.B. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION - OTHER**

19 10.B.1. Resolution No. AR 2007-36, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly encouraging the
20 **establishment of a bank and/or credit union branch within the Mountain View community**;
21 Mayor Begich; Assemblymembers Tesche, Bauer, Birch, Coffey, Jennings, Ossiander, Shamberg,
22 Starr, Stout, Sullivan and Traini.

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24 Mr. Bauer moved, to approve AR 2007-36.
25 Mr. Tesche seconded,

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27 Mr. Bauer stated that it was unusual for a matter such as this to come before the Assembly. Mayor Begich responded
28 the Administration supported a bank or a business credit union being established in the Mountain View area, but had
29 no specific bank institution in mind.

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31 Mr. Tesche stated that it was not customary to make recommendations to private industry about where to become
32 established. But, it was important to urge industry to promote development in this area. The Federal Community
33 Reinvestment Act encouraged banks to participate in redevelopment efforts.

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35 Mr. Traini supported the resolution and stated that it was important for residents in Mountain View to have a bank in
36 their neighborhood.

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38 and this motion was passed unanimously.

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40 10.B.4. Resolution No. AR 2007-48, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly setting forth land use
41 policy on **residential density** for the Municipality of Anchorage; Assemblymember Stout. ***(Laid on***
42 ***the Table)***

43
44 Ms. Ossiander moved, to postpone AR 2007-48 to March 13, 2007,
45 Mr. Stout seconded,

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47 Ms. Ossiander stated that the community needed to respond to this matter. Mr. Stout concurred.

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49 To Mayor Begich, Ms. Ossiander responded that there was no need for a Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Commission
50 review. Mr. Stout responded that a P&Z review would only unnecessarily delay the matter. Mayor Begich stated that
51 this matter dealt directly with the Comprehensive Plan and Title 21 land use issues and he would send it to P&Z.

52
53 Mr. Coffey stated this was worthy of discussion and he supported addressing it. Ms. Ossiander concurred and stated
54 that she would support the resolution, as-is.

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56 Mr. Tesche stated that passage of the resolution in its current format would not be effective to change land use policy
57 in the Comprehensive Plan or Title 21. The resolution, as-is, may allow lawsuits against the Municipality and a legal
58 opinion was needed. Chair Sullivan responded that postponing to March 13th would allow time to get a legal opinion
59 and to propose amendments.

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61 and this was approved without objection.

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63 **10.C. BID AWARDS** None were pulled for review.

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65 **10.D. NEW BUSINESS**

66 10.D.4. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 117-2007, 2007/2008 Liquor License Renewals: 2Go Tesoro 015
67 #4054, 2Go Tesoro 054 #664, 2Go Tesoro 007 #2553, 2Go Tesoro 003 #2278, 2Go Tesoro 002
68 #2803, 2Go Tesoro 055 #1596, 2Go Tesoro 009 #2614, 2Go Tesoro 073 #3991, 2Go Tesoro 062
69 #1568, 2Go Tesoro 056 #1198, 2Go Tesoro 071 #3732 – Package Store; Pizza Man #1533 –
70 Restaurant/Eating Place; Club 210 East #2159, Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant #3311 – Beverage
71 Dispensary; Denali Winery #3775 - Winery (Taku/Campbell, Rogers Park, Northeast, Abbott Loop,
72 Campbell Creek, Midtown, Eagle River, Spenard, Old Seward/Oceanview Community Councils,
73 Girdwood Board of Supervisors); Clerk's Office.

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75 Mr. Starr moved, to approve AM 117-2007,
76 Ms. Ossiander seconded,

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1 Mr. Coffey declared a conflict of interest because he was paid by his former law firm, to which he was of counsel, to
2 assist Tesoro "on business outside of Anchorage." Chair Sullivan ruled that Mr. Coffey did have a conflict of interest
3 and ordered that he abstain from participating.
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5 Mr. Starr stated that the Eagle River Community Councils had not responded to the Pizza Man liquor license renewal
6 and asked for objections from anyone in the audience who wished to speak to the matter. Mr. Starr stated that he
7 supported Pizza Man, which had no underage violations and no neighborhood [~~discourse~~] "discord." He urged
8 approval. Ms. Ossiander concurred.
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10 and this motion was passed without objection,
11 with Mr. Coffey abstaining.
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13 10.D.7. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 119-2007, Change Order No. 2 to Purchase Order 250033 with
14 **Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alaska** (Premera) for providing third party administration and
15 preferred provider services, and LifeWise for individual and aggregate stop loss administration to the
16 Municipality of Anchorage, Employee Relations Department (\$1,872,115); Purchasing.
17

18 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AM 119-2007,
19 Mr. Starr seconded,
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21 Ms. Ossiander stated the memorandum could mean a cost reduction for employees who had chronic health conditions
22 and it was worthwhile to look for possible cost reductions. Deputy Municipal Manager Michael Abbott concurred and
23 stated that the Administration was interested in hearing any suggestions of reducing costs.
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25 and this motion was passed without objection.
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27 10.D.17. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 128-2007, recommendation of award to Visions Meeting & Event
28 Management, a Division of US Travel Alaska, LLC for providing **event planner services** for the
29 Municipality of Anchorage, Port of Anchorage (RFP 26-P044) (\$1,027,808); Purchasing.
30

31 This memorandum was originally passed on the Consent Agenda. (See item 10.D.17)
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33 Mr. Coffey moved, for immediate reconsideration of AM 128-2007,
34 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
35 and this motion was approved without objection.
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37 Ms. Ossiander moved, to take up AM 128-2007 with AR 2007-20, item 14.L,
38 Mr. Coffey seconded,
39 and this motion was passed without objection.
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41 10.D.18. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 129-2007, Amendment No. 4 to professional services contract with
42 DOWL Engineers for design and reconstruction services for the **Tudor Road– Harding Drive**
43 **Improvements**, Project No. 02-15 (\$408,210); Project Management & Engineering.
44

45 This was originally passed on the Consent Agenda and later reconsidered. (See item 10.D.18)
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47 Mr. Coffey moved, for immediate reconsideration of AM 129-2007,
48 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
49 and this motion was approved without objection.
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51 To Chair Sullivan, Municipal Engineer Howard Holtan responded this contract involved the design effort to reroute
52 traffic away from the Spenard Recreation Center and was not part of the Tudor Road intersection project.
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54 and this was reapproved without objection.
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56 10.D.19. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 130-2007, Utility Relocation Agreement with Enstar Natural Gas
57 Company for **48th Avenue/Boniface Parkway Extension, Tudor Road to Bragaw Street**, Project
58 No. 05-30 (\$320,000); Project Management & Engineering.
59

60 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve AM 130-2007,
61 Mr. Starr seconded,
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63 To Mr. Coffey, Municipal Engineer Howard Holtan responded there would be an updated project report, which would
64 include the design and environmental situation. The route was defined and the majority of the construction would
65 occur in 2008, with some water utility work completed in 2007. Mayor Begich responded the project was next to the
66 Bicentennial Park and the Albrecht Baseball Fields and was supported by the Departments of Police, Fire, Emergency
67 Operations and Parks and Recreation.
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69 and this was approved without objection.
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71 10.D.22. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 147-2007, proprietary services contract with **Law Enforcement**
72 **Advanced Development Consultants** for providing international whaling conference event security
73 planning and consultation for the Municipality of Anchorage, Police Department (\$76,960);
74 Purchasing. (**Addendum**)
75

76 Mr. Bauer moved, to approve AM 147-2007,
77 Mr. Starr seconded,
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1 Mr. Bauer stated that it was important that local law enforcement be prepared to mitigate incidents of large scale civil
2 unrest in association with the International Whaling Conference. Mayor Begich stated that the Municipality had not
3 recruited this group to hold the conference in Anchorage. Municipal Manager Denis LeBlanc concurred.

4
5 and this motion passed without objection.

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7 **10.E. INFORMATION AND REPORTS** None were pulled for review.

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

10 10.F.10. Ordinance No. AO 2007-37, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly repealing Anchorage
11 Municipal Code Sections 4.40.125 and 21.10.028, **Urban Design Commission**, and amending AMC
12 Chapter 7.40 to remove the Urban Design Commission from the jury in selection of Art in Public
13 Facilities, and providing for transition of Advisory Urban Design Commission work in progress to the
14 Planning and Zoning Commission; Assemblymember Birch. **(Laid on the Table)**

15
16 Mr. Birch moved, *to introduce AO 2007-37,*
17 Mr. Stout seconded,
18 Mr. Traini was the concurring third.

19
20 Mr. Tesche requested that this matter be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Urban Design
21 Commission (UDC). Mayor Begich concurred and stated that this matter dealt directly with Title 21.

22
23 Mr. Birch stated that his intent with the ordinance was to eliminate the Urban Design Commission from the process,
24 because the issues were best addressed in Municipal Code. Public Hearing would be scheduled.

25
26 Mr. Coffey stated that the Title 21 Committee had addressed the matter and the current rewrite draft included an
27 expanded role for the UDC. The Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended that the UDC not be dissolved,
28 but continue to serve with boards and commission.

29
30 Mr. Tesche stated the matter should continue to be included with the Title 21 review. He proposed to set Public
31 Hearing for April 10th, to allow time for comments.

32
33 Mr. Tesche moved, *to set Public Hearing for AO 2007-37 for*
34 Mr. Stout seconded, *April 10, 2007,*
35 and this was approved without objection.

36
37 10.F.11. Ordinance No. AO 2007-38, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending Anchorage
38 Municipal Code Section 4.05.035 to require voting members of municipal advisory boards and
39 commissions to be at least **18 years of age** unless specifically designated otherwise under Municipal
40 Code and establishing an ad hoc non-voting youth delegate program; Assemblymember Coffey.
41 **(Laid on the Table)**

42
43 Mr. Traini explained this ordinance would substitute for AO 2007-24, which he intended to be postponed indefinitely.
44 Mr. Coffey responded that AO 2007-38 addressed the issue in a different and better manner. Chair Sullivan
45 responded that AO 2007-24, item 14.P, had been publicly noticed and Public Hearing would be opened before
46 postponing indefinitely.

47
48 Mayor Begich moved, *to postpone indefinitely AO 2007-38,*
49 Mr. Tesche seconded,

50
51 Mayor Begich stated this ordinance would still not allow youth to be voting members of advisory boards and
52 commissions. He supported postponing indefinitely.

53
54 Mr. Coffey stated that his ordinance recognized and accommodated both sides of the issue. Levels of life experiences
55 were important to have the ability to make judgments that were expected and relied upon from boards and
56 commissions. Youth needed to be encouraged to participate, but with limitations and restrictions.

57
58 Mr. Tesche stated AO 2007-38 was bad public policy and he supported Mayor Begich's motion. The Assembly was
59 requesting youth to participate, but would not allow them to vote. Youth deserve an equal place at the table.

60
61 Mr. Traini called the Question.

62
63 and the motion passed, 9-2.

64
65 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout and
66 Jennings.

67 NAYES: Bauer and Traini.

68
69 Mr. Coffey moved, *to Change the Order of the Day to take up 14.P,*
70 Mr. Starr seconded,
71 and this motion was approved without objection.

72
73 **11. OLD BUSINESS AND UNFINISHED ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

74 11.A. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 59-2007, **Platting Board** appointment (Benjamin Roll); Mayor's
75 Office. (*Postponed from 1-23-07*)

76
77 Chair Sullivan read the memorandum title and stated Public Hearing was closed and there was a motion to approve on
78 the floor from January 23, 2007.

1
2 Mr. Coffey had moved, to approve AM 59-2007,
3 Mr. Stout had seconded,
4 and this was passed, 11-0.

5
6 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
7 Traini and Jennings.
8 NAYES: None.

9
10 11.B. Resolution No. AR 2006-277, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, approving
11 a water main extension identified as the **Knik View Intertie Water Main Extension** and providing for
12 assessment of benefited properties at time of service connection; Anchorage Water & Wastewater
13 Utility. (*Public Hearing was Closed 11-21-06; Action was Postponed from 11-21-06*)

14
15 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 784-2006.

16
17 Chair Sullivan read the resolution title and called the Question.

18
19 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AR 2006-277,
20 Mr. Birch seconded,

21
22 Ms. Ossiander stated that questions remained on the existing tariff regulations and assessments. There were property
23 owners who had not requested the service. Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU) General Manager Mark
24 Premo responded the tariff would be addressed and recommendations for change would be made. Ms. Ossiander
25 proposed to postpone indefinitely. She stated that the affected property owners supported postponement.

26
27 To Mr. Coffey, Mr. Premo responded that they would be readdressing the methodology of the levy-upon-connection
28 process. Residents had been informed of the delay, but this would not stop the process.

29
30 To Chair Sullivan, Mr. Premo responded that the delay may cause an additional 5 to 15 percent in construction costs
31 when the project was eventually continued. Ms. Ossiander responded her concern was that property owners who did
32 not want service would still be assessed.

33
34 Ms. Ossiander moved, to postpone indefinitely AR 2006-277,
35 Mr. Birch seconded,
36 and this motion passed, 11-0.

37
38 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
39 Traini and Jennings.
40 NAYES: None.

41
42 11.C. Resolution No. AR 2006-290(S), a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly in recognition of
43 the continuing contribution made by Fur Rendezvous in the promotion of tourism and Anchorage's
44 visitor industry, and supporting annual funding from the Anchorage Convention and Visitors Bureau
45 room tax revenue to Greater Anchorage, Inc. for the **Fur Rendezvous Festival**; Assemblymembers
46 Fairclough, Tesche, Traini, Stout and Bauer.
47 (*AR 2006-290(S) was Substituted 11-14-06; Action was Postponed from 11-14-06, 12-12-06 & 12-19-*
48 *06) (Motion to approve on the floor by Ms. Fairclough, seconded by Mr. Coffey.)*

49
50 Chair Sullivan read the resolution title.

51
52 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve AR 2006-290(S),
53 Mr. Bauer seconded,

54
55 Mr. Coffey stated that Greater Anchorage, Incorporated had requested the delay until after the Fur Rendezvous
56 Festival was completed.

57
58 Mr. Traini moved, to postpone AR 2006-290(S) to March 13, 2007,
59 Mr. Coffey seconded,

60
61 To Mr. Bauer, Chair Sullivan responded the Wood Amendment applied to ordinances that were continually left on the
62 Agenda and not addressed. This item was a resolution and action was being taken.

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64 and this motion was passed, 11-0.

65
66 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
67 Traini and Jennings.
68 NAYES: None.

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70 **12. APPEARANCE REQUESTS** There were none.

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

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74 **14. NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS**

75 14.A. Ordinance No. AO 2006-180, an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified voters of
76 Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of not to exceed \$65,000,000 of General Obligation
77 Bonds of the Municipality of Anchorage to pay the costs of the **Clark Middle School Renewal and**
78 **Replacement** and the question of an increase in the municipal tax cap limitation to pay associated

- 1 operations and maintenance costs at the election to be held in the Municipality on April 3, 2007;
2 Anchorage School District.
- 3 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 918-2006.
 - 4 2. Ordinance No. AO 2006-180(S), an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified
5 voters of Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of not to exceed \$65,000,000 of
6 General Obligation Bonds of the Municipality of Anchorage to pay the costs of the Clark
7 Middle School Renewal and Replacement and the question of an increase in the municipal tax
8 cap limitation to pay associated operations and maintenance costs at the election to be held in
9 the Municipality on April 3, 2007; Anchorage School District. **(Addendum)**
 - 10 3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 918-2006(A). **(Addendum)**

11
12 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing.

13
14 SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT CAROL COMEAU stated that Clark Middle School was the Anchorage School
15 District's (ASD) number one priority and she urged support. Anchorage School Board (ASB) PRESIDENT JEFF
16 FRIEDMAN concurred. To Mr. Coffey, Superintendent Comeau responded that the new school would have additional
17 square footage, but there would be a reduction in utility and maintenance costs. To Mr. Birch, ASD Facilities
18 Maintenance Director Ray Amsden responded the total cost of the Clark project was \$65,000,000, but could not be
19 compared with costs of other schools because there were costs of demolition, hazardous materials abatement, site
20 constrains and dealing with surrounding intersections and transportation routes. To Ms. Jennings, Superintendent
21 Comeau responded that \$86 million of bond debt had been retired since November 2004. Mr. Stout stated the needed
22 renovations at Chester Creek Elementary had been set as a priority for the past two or three years. Superintendent
23 Comeau responded that Chester Valley needed upgrades, but including Chester Valley and Sand Lake would have
24 made the bond proposition for too large to be supported by voters. Those schools would be brought before the voters
25 next year. To Mr. Traini, Superintendent Comeau responded that there was a history of bonds failing when the
26 Assembly tinkered with them. To Mr. Bauer, Superintendent Comeau responded that Clark had had high maintenance
27 costs just to keep it operating. The ASD had paid an estimated \$2 million on maintenance costs just to keep Chester
28 Valley open, but it had been determined that Clark still had the higher needs. Mr. Amsden responded that it was
29 determined that replacing Clark with a new facility would save money in the long run. Many other significant
30 improvements were needed district wide, and were being deferred.

31
32 DAVE ALEXANDER, Mountain View Community Council Secretary, testified the council was in full support of the Clark
33 Middle School replacement.

34
35 DON CRANDALL, Mountain View Community Council Vice President, stated that replacing Clark was a high priority.
36 He requested those in favor to stand, showing support. *(Clerk's Note: a large portion of the audience stood.)* Mr.
37 Crandall urged support. To Mr. Coffey, he responded they would be advocating and holding an open house at Clark
38 on February 22nd, to conduct tours of the building. He urged people to see first hand and make comments.

39
40 LAURA SWENSGARD, a teacher at Clark Middle School, testified in support of the reconstruction.

41
42 MAUREEN CRONIN-WMSCORNELIUS, a Clark Middle School teacher supported the reconstruction and stated their
43 equipment and portables were inadequate.

44
45 MICHAEL BRAMER, a student, supported building a new school. Everyone thought Clark students were bad and did
46 not deserve a new building, but they were worth it. Ms. Ossiander assured Mr. Braymer that no Assemblymember
47 thought students at Clark Middle School were "bad" kids.

48
49 ROMALIN SANCHEZ, a student, testified that Clark had good students and good teachers, but had a horrible building.
50 She described some of the needed repairs and compared Clark with other schools in the district.

51
52 JODIBETH RIVERA, a student, testified in support of a new school. They could not have sports competitions at Clark.

53
54 SHOUA VANG, a Clark student, testified in support of the new school.

55
56 MELODY WHITEHOUSE, a Clark student, testified in support of a new school.

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58 JENNIFER TILLMAN, a Clark student, supported a new school. They could not hold track meets at their school.

59
60 HAITA TOURAY, a Clark student, testified in support of building a new school.

61
62 JENNIFER VUE, a Clark student, supported building a new school.

63
64 LAURA WALDEN, a parent and grandparent, urged all members to take a tour of Clark. She stated the students and
65 the community deserved a new school and no one should toy with this matter.

66
67 SUSANNE LITTLE, Executive Director of Anchorage Community Land Trust, supported the new school, which
68 supported the community revitalization. To Mr. Coffey, she responded they were actively advocating for and working
69 with many outreach groups, educating the city about this project. The campaign would include television, radio and
70 bus advertisements to promote the school bonds. Mayor Begich responded there would be an active campaign. Mr.
71 Coffey stated a good campaign was needed to educate the community.

72
73 MICHELLE MANDELL testified in support of adding Chester Valley Elementary and Sand Lake Elementary Schools to
74 these school bonds. If it was too late, she urged for the schools to be added to the ballot next year.

75
76 KATHLEEN PLUNKETT, Russian Jack Community Council Treasurer, testified the council unanimously supported the
77 school bond propositions. She supported all school bonds. Clark Middle School needed to be rebuilt.

1 TIM POTTER testified in support of the school bonds. He was embarrassed that the city had not already addressed
2 Clark. The community would be campaigning in favor. His wife, a teacher, had taught a speech class in the electrical
3 closet at Clark Middle School. Ms. Ossiander stated many schools were in dire need of repair. To Mr. Bauer, Mr.
4 Potter responded that he supported education and did not have a financial interest with the reconstruction.
5

6 BRYN VAUGHN, resident of South Anchorage, always supported school bonds, regardless if they were in her area or
7 not. Education was vital for America's future.
8

9 ROSA MEEHAN, South Anchorage resident and lifelong supporter of school bonds and public education, supported
10 Clark reconstruction. She urged the Assembly to support education and the ASD.
11

12 CESSILYE WILLIAMS, Clark Principal, supported a new school. The electrical room was still being used as a
13 classroom. Her staff was very committed, was supportive of education and did not complain. Many teachers were
14 proactive and advocating for reconstruction. To Mr. Birch, Superintendent Comeau responded the 2006 bond
15 propositions including Clark Middle School had failed and funding approved in prior bonds had started the
16 reconstruction process.
17

18 KITTY MILLER, a parent and a Capital Request Advisory Committee member, supported addressing all needs of
19 education, including bonds to improve schools. There were many Anchorage schools that needed repairs. She urged
20 active campaigns for the bonds.
21

22 PETER MJOS, a local physician and member of the Mayor's Task Force on Obesity, stated that Clark Middle School
23 offered great potential to maintain pride and integrity and was a center of the community.
24

25 With no additional public testimony, Chair Sullivan closed Public Hearing and called the Question.
26

27 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AO 2007-180(S),
28 Mr. Traini seconded,
29

30 Mr. Bauer stated the Assembly had the obligation and duty to scrutinize the issues and to protect the community from
31 high-dollar, random spending. The ASD and ASB had commented that all schools needed to be as good as the
32 newest and best schools in Anchorage, but there were good students from older facilities. Testimony indicated there
33 were self-imposed restrictions that did not allow expansion of Clark Middle School because of the nearby mall
34 construction and the new community library. He stated that bonds to fix Chester Valley and Sand Lake should have
35 been combined with the Clark project. It was a political decision that he opposed.
36

37 Mr. Traini supported the school bonds. When the Assembly tinkered with school bonds, they failed. Clark needed
38 rebuilding and the Assembly needed to let voters decide.
39

40 Mr. Stout stated that Chester Valley had been the number one priority for repair and he was disappointed that it was
41 not included in the bond. He stated the school that he had attended was over 100 years old, was still in service and
42 people were pleased with it. Every few years new school reconstruction was needed in Anchorage, which meant
43 schools were not well designed or constructed. Too many dollars had been put on past bonds, which had caused
44 them to fail. With the promise that Chester Valley would be addressed next year, he would support the ordinance.
45

46 Mr. Coffey stated that the public needed to know that the Assembly would be good stewards of their money. There
47 was no question that Clark needed to be replaced or repaired. People were concerned with rising property taxes,
48 which had to do with lost State revenue sharing. The ASD and ASB had determined that replacement was appropriate
49 and the Assembly should support the campaign.
50

51 Mr. Tesche concurred with Mr. Coffey. He stated that Clark Middle School renovations had been addressed for years.
52 Voters would say "no" to bond propositions for too much money. The ASD and ASB had competently made decisions
53 and recommendations and he wholeheartedly supported the bond propositions.
54

55 Mr. Bauer stated that while he understood there was a need to repair Clark, he would be a NO-vote on this bond
56 proposition. He was sending a message that his district needed attention and the selection of Clark Middle School
57 over Chester Valley Elementary was a political move.
58

59 Ms. Jennings stated she did not take lightly, taxpayers having to support the bond. \$86.4 million of debt had recently
60 been retired and this bond was a very strategic and reasonable choice, with available amounts of money. It was
61 important that there be a new school at Clark and she supported the bond proposition being on the ballot.
62

63 Chair Sullivan stated that Assembly involvement had no impact on a bond proposition passing or failing, which was a
64 community decision. The Assembly, as the final arbiter of ballot propositions, had the responsibility to provide input
65 and make the decision to place propositions on the ballot.
66

67 and the main motion passed, 10-1.
68

69 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
70 Traini and Jennings.
71

71 NAYES: Bauer.
72

73 Ms. Ossiander moved to Change the Order of the Day to Take up 14.H. and 14.N, in order to address items that were
74 not time sensitive. This was seconded by Mr. Traini and it passed without objection.
75

76 14.B. Ordinance No. AO 2006-181, an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified voters of
77 Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of not to exceed \$20,000,000 of General Obligation
78 Bonds of the Municipality of Anchorage to pay the costs of educational capital improvements for

1 **Districtwide Major Building Systems Renewal** at the election to be held in the Municipality on
2 April 3, 2007; Anchorage School District.

- 3 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 918-2006.
- 4 2. Ordinance No. AO 2006-181(S), an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified
5 voters of Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of not to exceed \$20,000,000 of
6 General Obligation Bonds of the Municipality of Anchorage to pay the costs of educational
7 capital improvements for Districtwide Major Building Systems Renewal at the election to be
8 held in the Municipality on April 3, 2007. **(Addendum)**
- 9 3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 918-2006(A). **(Addendum)**

10
11 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing.

12
13 ASD Superintendent Carol Comeau requested that the Substitute Version (*S-version*) be considered.

14
15 EDDIE BURKE opposed. The voters had repeatedly said “no” to bond propositions because of high taxes. His four
16 children had used the school district, his wife worked for the ASD, he was a football coach and he was involved with
17 student activities. People had time and time again opposed school bonds because of high taxes. He and many
18 people in the community were taxed out. The State of Alaska would not be able to offer debt reimbursement because
19 they were deficit spending.

20
21 JOHN O’DEA, ASD Maintenance Budget Review Committee member, supported the bond. He urged consideration of
22 increasing it an additional \$40-60 million, to make the necessary improvements that were needed districtwide, to
23 support education. A school in the Lower-48 that his mother had attended was still a sound school. He attributed the
24 needed facility replacements and the increased maintenance costs of Anchorage schools to a poor design process,
25 which needed to be addressed. He supported both school bonds because it was the right thing to do.

26
27 With no additional public testimony, Chair Sullivan closed Public Hearing and called the Question.

28
29 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AO 2006-181(S)
30 Ms. Jennings seconded,
31 and this motion was passed, 11-0.

32
33 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
34 Traini and Jennings.

35 NAYES: None.

36
37 14.C. Ordinance No. AO 2007-26, an ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the Municipality at the
38 Regular Municipal Election April 3, 2007, a ballot proposition approving a long-term lease of the
39 **William C. [Chamberlain] “Chamberlin” Equestrian Center** at Ruth Arcand Park to Rainbow
40 Connection Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program and the Anchorage Horse Council, Inc.; Office of
41 Economic & Community Development.

- 42 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 89-2007.
- 43 2. Ordinance No. AO 2007-26(S), an ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the
44 Municipality at the Regular Municipal Election April 3, 2007, a ballot proposition approving a
45 non-exclusive long-term lease of the **William C. [Chamberlain] “Chamberlin” Equestrian**
46 **Center** at Ruth Arcand Park to Rainbow Connection Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program
47 and the Anchorage Horse Council, Inc.; Office of Economic & Community Development.
48 **(Addendum)**
- 49 3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 152-2007. **(Addendum)**
- 50 4. Information Memorandum No. AIM 29-2007. **(Addendum)**

51
52 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing.

53
54 DAN ROGERS, Rainbow Connection Board President and LORI HACKENBERGER, Anchorage Horse Council
55 President, worked together with this community service and supported the lease. Mr. Rogers requested those in the
56 audience to stand, showing their support. He explained their program and their need to secure long term stability and
57 a permanent location. Ms. Hackenberger urged consideration of the Substitute Version (*S-version*). The equestrian
58 center needed to be expanded to accommodate the needs of the community. It was maintained by volunteers and
59 would be a community asset, with no cost to the Municipality or the taxpayers. Mr. Birch thanked them for their
60 worthwhile efforts in South Anchorage. Mr. Starr stated this was a good initiative, well thought out, well presented and
61 he supported the ordinance.

62
63 With no additional public testimony, Chair Sullivan closed Public Hearing and called the Question.

64
65 Ms. Ossiander moved, to approve AO 2007-26(S),
66 Mr. Birch seconded,

67
68 To Mr. Coffey, Deputy Municipal Manager Michael Abbott responded that Assembly action on this ballot proposition
69 needed to be completed that evening. All other related matters could be completed at a later date.

70
71 Mr. Tesche moved, to amend AO 2007-26(S) on Page 2, Line 22 *by changing to*
72 Mr. Coffey seconded, read: PROPOSITION 8 - APPROVING A LONG-TERM,
73 and this was approved without objection. NON-EXCLUSIVE LEASE OF THE WILLIAM [CLARK] “C.”
74 CHAMBERLIN EQUESTRIAN CENTER [AT] “IN” RUTH
75 ARCAND PARK , “TRACT D” [CONTAINING 334.57 ACRES
76 OF DEDICATED MUNICIPAL PARK LAND] WITH THE
77 RAINBOW CONNECTION THERAPEUTIC HORSEBACK
78 RIDING PROGRAM AND ANCHORAGE HORSE COUNCIL,

TWO NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING, UPGRADING AND MAINTAINING PUBLIC EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES AND PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC HORSEBACK RIDING FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.;

Mr. Tesche moved,
Mr. Coffey seconded,

to amend AO 2007-26(S) on Page 2, Line 32 *by changing* to read: Shall the Municipality of Anchorage enter into a long-term, non-exclusive lease of the William Clark Chamberlin Equestrian Center [at] "in" Ruth Arcand Park [~~containing 334.57 acres of dedicated municipal park land~~] "Tract D" with Rainbow Connection Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program and Anchorage Horse Council, two non-profit organizations, for the purpose of operating, upgrading and maintaining public equestrian facilities and providing therapeutic horseback riding facilities and programs for people with disabilities upon approval by a majority of the voters at no cost to the taxpayers?;

To Mr. Tesche, Municipal Attorney Jim Reeves responded that the change in language was permissible. Mr. Tesche urged approval.

Ms. Ossiander stated that discussion on the lease included trails. Mr. Reeves responded that the deletion of reference to the acreage was no problem. The objective was to identify the track of land to inform the voters. Mr. Tesche responded the additional language "Tract D," included the associated trails.

and the motion was approved without objection.

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

AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.

NAYES: None.

(Clerk's Note: Upon completing Agenda item 14.K. a motion to Change the Order of the Day and for immediate reconsideration of AO 2007-26(S) was approved.)

Ms. Ossiander moved,
Mr. Tesche seconded,
and this was passed without objection.

amend AO 2007-26(S) on Page 2, *by deleting* [Section 4] and on Page 3, *by deleting* [Section 3] and *by renumbering and renaming* the remaining sections, accordingly,

and the main motion, as amended, was approved without objection, with Mr. Stout as an excused absence.

- 14.D. Ordinance No. AO 2007-27, an ordinance approving a **non-exclusive long-term lease** of the William C. [Chamberlain] "Chamberlin" Equestrian Center at Ruth Arcand Park to Rainbow Connection Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program and the Anchorage Horse Council, Inc.; Office of Economic & Community Development.
1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 90-2007.

(Clerk's Note: See item 14.C, AO 2007-26(S), for related Assembly discussion and action.)

Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing. Mr. Coffey proposed postponement until after the results of the ballot proposition was determined by voters.

Mr. Coffey moved,
Ms. Ossiander seconded,
and this motion passed without objection, 11-0.

to Continue AO 2007-27 to May 1, 2007,

AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout, Traini and Jennings.

NAYES: None.

- 14.E. Ordinance No. AO 2007-32, an ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the Municipality of Anchorage at the Regular Municipal Election April 3, 2007, a ballot proposition authorizing disposal by exchange, based on fair market value, of approximately one acre of dedicated municipal park land located in **Jacobson Park, Tract A-1, College Village #9 Subdivision**, for Lot 14, Block 14, College Village #9 Subdivision, in Anchorage; Assemblymembers Traini and Coffey.
1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 114-2007.

Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing.

Mr. Coffey moved,
Mr. Traini seconded,

to Combine Public Hearing for 14.E and 14.F, AO 2007-32 and AO 2007-34,

Ms. Ossiander stated there were drainage issues associated with this land and each should be dealt with separately.

and the motion was approved, 10-1,

1 with Ms. Ossiander opposing.

2
3 JOHN NABORS, representing the Alaska Jewish Historic Museum and Community Center and the Lubavitch Center of
4 Alaska, described the land location and explained details of the development process, which would ultimately end up
5 with a land exchange. To Mr. Coffey, Mr. Nabors responded that he supported the proposed amendment. They had
6 researched the drainage concerns of the neighborhood.

7
8 MEL LANGDON, Rogers Park Community Council Treasurer, testified the council had passed a resolution with
9 recommendations addressing the drainage. They passed an additional resolution, requesting postponing action until
10 further research was conducted on hydrology, wetland value, traffic, public parking for museum events, pedestrian
11 traffic flow, facility size and Jacobson and David Green Parks. To Mr. Coffey, she responded that the amendments
12 appeared to address the concerns, but the council had also requested postponing action to allow research. Mr. Bauer
13 commended Ms. Langdon's and the council's efforts. To Ms. Jennings, Ms. Langdon responded the lake had a history
14 of flooding basements. The community had installed a weir which artificially lowered the lake and resolved the flooding
15 problems. The weir needed to be maintained because lowering the lake too much ultimately dried the wetlands.

16
17 JAMES H. RICHARDSON, Rogers Park Community Council member and College Village resident, testified the city
18 had installed a weir and ditch to control the water level, which needed to be maintained and protected. Drainage from
19 the weir was not platted on city records. The development had proposed to fill in the ditch line and blacktop the area.
20 The council resolution proposed that the developer maintain the existing draining systems and facilities on the property
21 and, if damaged, that they be restored. He recommended including this specific wording. Ms. Ossiander requested
22 that Mr. Richardson review the two amendments prepared by Mr. Coffey and Mr. Traini.

23
24 JOHN QUINLEY, distributed the approved Tudor Community Council resolution, which requested postponement until
25 all aspects of the development were addressed, including flooding, facility size, increased traffic, pedestrian safety and
26 parking issues.

27
28 DICK CHEESELY supported the amendments. His home abutted the proposed park area and he was concerned with
29 the increased noise, parking, traffic and the need for security and patrolling the parking lot at night. He was a real
30 estate appraiser and urged consideration of evaluating the open space and buffering the wetlands offered.

31
32 LARRY FAY, a local resident, had not heard of the development until a week ago. He was shocked that this project
33 was moving ahead without consideration of the wildlife habitat and sanctuary this area provided. He offered to donate
34 \$1000 towards purchasing the land to protect the refuge. He opposed development and opposed this matter being on
35 the ballot.

36
37 PETER MJOS, former Rogers Park Community Council President, testified the council and the Tudor Community
38 Council had opposed this matter being on the ballot. They opposed the wildlife refuge being traded for a parking lot.
39 More answers were needed, including water level concerns and the Jacobson family's opinion of this trade. He urged
40 consideration of the council's recommendations.

41
42 GORDON GLASER supported the development, which was responsible and would enhance the community. When he
43 requested, several guests in the audience stood, showing their support of the development. To Ms. Ossiander, Mr.
44 Glassier responded that he had attended one meeting sponsored by the council.

45
46 WENDY WOLF testified the Alaska Jewish Historical Museum and Community Center had received a state grant, but
47 had been informed that before the funds were awarded they needed to answer specific questions about the project
48 and address the public interest requirement of Alaska Statute 37.05.316A.

49
50 CAROL JAFFA supported the Jewish Museum and development. She trusted the hydrologists to figure out the proper
51 method for development.

52
53 HUGH ASHLOCK, Tudor Community Council member and College Village property owner, fully supported the
54 development and land swap. It was a good project for Midtown.

55
56 TIM POTTER, a property owner close to the project site, supported both ordinances. The proposed land was good
57 property and Lot 14 was valuable and developable community property. The petitioner was following a precise
58 conditional use permit process and all concerns would be addressed and the development would not negatively impact
59 the property values. To Ms. Jennings, Mr. Potter responded there was inadequate parking at the park off 36th Avenue
60 and there was not enough traffic to put in an intersection light. To Mr. Traini, Mr. Potter responded the amendments
61 were acceptable.

62
63 HARVEY DOUGHERTY, homeowner close to the development site, had had a flooded basement and opposed the
64 ordinance. Residents lived in fear of flooding. The subdivision had requested the ballot proposition be postponed.

65
66 MAYOR RICK MYSTROM testified in support of this development, which was good land use and would benefit the
67 community. He urged consideration of buffering requirements, in addition to addressing traffic and drainage.

68
69 GAIL BRENA testified in support of the development, which would be an asset to the community.

70
71 DAVID GREEN, resident of College Village, supported the proposed land development and the land swap. He and his
72 wife were fund raising to get people involved in the community. To Ms. Ossiander, Mr. Green responded that he and
73 his wife were not involved with the state grant requirements.

74
75 RABBI YOSEF GREENBERG, with the Alaska Jewish Historic Museum and Community Center, testified that they
76 would develop responsibly and would address all related issues, including all drainage concerns in the area. He was
77 educating and advertising in support of the project. The state had investigated the site and met with their legal
78 advisors and architects. The state investigator had been impressed, supported the development and had stated there

1 were no foreseen problems. The state grant was a small portion of funds needed for development and they had
2 received much community support from their fund raisers.

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4 With no additional public testimony, Chair Sullivan closed Public Hearing and called the Question.

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6 Mr. Traini moved, to approve AO 2007-32,
7 Ms. Jennings seconded,

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9 Mr. Coffey moved, to amend AO 2007-32 on Page 3, Line 11, *by adding* to read:
10 Mr. Traini seconded, The Alaska Jewish Historical Museum and Community
11 Center proposes to use the one-acre parcel of park land for
12 public parking and access to Jacobson Park, and for private
13 parking for new facilities. The exchange "of the two (2)
14 parcels" is conditioned upon "all" required public approvals for
15 the new [~~facilities~~] "facility being obtained from all federal,
16 state and local agencies including, without limitation, a wet
17 lands analysis with consideration of drainage and water levels
18 in Otis Lake and the adjacent neighborhood as required for a
19 permit from the Corps of Engineers; a Traffic Impact Analysis
20 including consideration of pedestrian access to and from
21 David Green Park; a Site Plan review by Planning and Zoning
22 including a parking analysis; and Building permit review and
23 issuance of all required building permits. Upon completion of
24 the land exchange, the Alaska Jewish Historical Museum and
25 Community Center agrees to donate \$100,000 to the
26 Municipality for park and trail improvements in Jacobson
27 Park.;"
28

29 Mr. Coffey stated that if the ballot proposition was approved, the development would be conditional, to obtain the land
30 swap.

31
32 To Ms. Ossiander, Mayor Begich responded that he and the Administration supported both amendments.

33
34 and this was approved without objection.

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36 Mr. Traini proposed to amend. He stated that deleting the language would make the intent more neutral.

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38 Mr. Traini moved, to amend AO 2007-32 on Page 2, Line 43 and on the top of
39 Mr. Coffey seconded, Page 3, *by deleting* to read: Shall the Municipality of
40 and this was approved without objection. Anchorage dispose of approximately one acre of dedicated
41 municipal park land from the southwest corner of Tract A-1,
42 Jacobson Park, located on 36th Avenue, for a one-half acre
43 residential lot known as Lot 14, Block 14~~[-and containing~~
44 ~~valuable wetlands, and contributing significantly to the~~
45 ~~continuity of the natural area and the park].~~ When
46 transferred, Lot 14 will be dedicated as park land, added to
47 Jacobson Park, and preserved in the perpetuity. The land
48 exchange shall be based upon fair market value estimated by
49 appraisal.;

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51 Mr. Coffey stated that if the Assembly was to defer action on the land disposal, there were two sections in the
52 ordinance that were in conflict. Municipal Attorney Jim Reeves concurred.

53
54 Mr. Coffey moved, to amend AO 2007-32 on Page 2, Lines 19 – 23 *by deleting*
55 Mr. Traini seconded, [~~Section 4.~~] and on Page 3, Lines 21-23 *by deleting* [~~Section~~
56 and this was approved without objection, 3.] and *by renumbering* remaining sections,
57

58 Mr. Traini supported the ordinance, as amended.

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60 Mr. Coffey supported the matters being on the ballot. The amendments would ensure that the concerns would be
61 addressed.

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63 Ms. Ossiander stated that she would support the measure, but was concerned with the haste taken.

64
65 Chair Sullivan put the Question on the main motion, as amended.

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67 and this motion, as amended, passed without objection, 11-0.

68
69 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
70 Traini and Jennings.

71 NAYES: Ossiander.

72
73 Mr. Traini moved for immediate reconsideration and urged a NO-vote.

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75 Mr. Traini moved, for immediate reconsideration of AO 2007-32,
76 Ms. Jennings seconded, as amended,
77 and this motion failed, 1-10.
78

1 AYES: Ossiander.
2 NAYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Birch, Coffey, Stout,
3 Traini and Jennings.
4

- 5 14.F. Ordinance No. AO 2007-34, an ordinance authorizing disposal of approximately one acre of dedicated
6 municipal park land located in **Jacobson Park, Tract A-1, College Village #9 Subdivision**, in
7 exchange for Lot 14, Block 14, College Village #9 Subdivision, based on fair market value;
8 Assemblymembers Traini and Coffey.
9 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 114-2007.

10 Mr. Coffey moved, *to Postpone* AO 2007-34 to May 1, 2007,
11 Mr. Traini seconded,
12 and this was approved without objection.
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- 15 14.G. Ordinance No. AO 2007-28, an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified voters of
16 Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of not to exceed \$4,995,000 of General Obligation
17 Bonds of the Municipality of Anchorage to pay the costs of equipping and constructing park
18 improvements, recreational facilities, and the question of an increase in the municipal tax cap limitation
19 to pay associated operations and maintenance costs in the **Anchorage Parks and Recreation**
20 **Service Area** at the election to be held in the Municipality on April 3, 2007. The debt shall be first paid
21 from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Parks and Recreation
22 Service Area, without cost to Chugiak/Eagle River taxpayers; Finance.
23 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 98-2007.
24

25 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing.

26 KATHLEEN PLUNKETT, Parks and Recreation Commissioner and park volunteer, supported the bond proposition.

27 With no additional public testimony, Chair Sullivan closed Public Hearing and called the Question.
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30 Ms. Jennings moved, *to approve* AO 2007-28,
31 Mr. Traini seconded
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34 Mr. Tesche moved, *to amend* AO 2007-28 on Page 5, Lines 14-16, *by deleting:*
35 Mr. Coffey seconded, *[The debt shall be first paid from real and personal property*
36 *taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Parks and*
37 *Recreation Service Area without cost to Chugiak/Eagle River*
38 *taxpayers.] and by adding to read: "The debt shall be first*
39 *paid from real and personal property taxes levied and*
40 *collected within the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service*
41 *Area, without cost to properties in Chugiak, Eagle River,*
42 *Girdwood and other areas outside the Service Area.;"*
43

44 and the main motion, as amended, was approved, 10-0.
45

46 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout
47 and Jennings.

48 NAYES: None.

49 (*Clerk's Note: Mr. Traini was temporarily out of Chambers at the time of the vote.*)
50

- 51 14.H. Ordinance No. AO 2007-31, an ordinance waiving the assessable share requirement of Anchorage
52 Municipal Code Section 19.40.100B. for seven **road reconstruction road improvement districts**;
53 Project Management & Engineering.
54 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 101-2007.
55

56 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to Continue* AO 2007-31 to February 27, 2007,
57 Mr. Tesche seconded,
58 and this was approved without objection.
59

- 60 14.I. Ordinance No. AO 2007-33, an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified voters of
61 Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of General Obligation Bonds of the Municipality of
62 Anchorage to pay the costs of road, storm drainage and related capital improvements and the
63 question of an increase in the municipal tax cap limitation to pay associated operations and
64 maintenance costs in the **Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area** at the election to be held in
65 the Municipality on April 3, 2007; Finance.
66 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 112-2007.
67

68 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing.

69 VICKY CANTRELL stated the Public Hearing notice had not included a not-to-exceed bond amount, which was
70 required by Charter. She estimated there were 7,000 homes on the Hillside that did not contribute to the Anchorage
71 Roads and Drainage Service Area projects. She proposed that all traffic improvements be paid for by gasoline tax.
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73

74 FRANK McQUEARY, Anchorage Road Coalition President and associated with the American Association of State
75 Highway Transportation Officials (*AASHTO*), testified that Strawberry Road should be deleted from the bond proposal.
76 It was a flawed design and would increase opportunities for more serious accidents. There were other, more improved
77 designs. To Mr. Coffey, Mr. McQueary responded they had objected to the proposed 40-foot curve radius where

1 Strawberry intersected Jewel Lake Road. To Mr. Bauer, Mr. McQueary responded that he had studied highway safety
2 improvements for the past three years and had addressed the concerns with the Administration.
3

4 SHARON SWENDSEID, Sand Lake Community Council Treasurer, read a council resolution opposed to the proposed
5 improvements to Strawberry Road and urged the Assembly to remove this road from the bond proposition.
6

7 MIKE CIMINO, Sand Lake Community Council member, testified the current design for Strawberry Road was
8 inadequate, would have a negative impact on safety and would be too expensive. He urged that it be deleted.
9

10 DENNIS LINNELL requested a \$900,000 increase to the Town and Country Estate Road Improvement District (*RID*)
11 Project. He showed photos of the deteriorated roads and testified the homeowners had requested this increase for the
12 past 15 years. To Chair Sullivan, Mr. Abbott responded the dollar amount in the title could be changed. To Mr. Coffey,
13 Mr. Abbott responded this district had been balloted three times, the engineering had been completed and it was ready
14 for construction. The Assembly needed to determine when to appropriate the funds.
15

16 STAN GALLAGHER, Strawberry Road Committee Co-Chair, testified that the \$8.4-\$10 million for road improvements
17 was too expensive and was not an improved design. The existing road was in fine shape. There were other things in
18 Anchorage that should take precedence, like improving schools. 93% of polled Sand Lake residents opposed the
19 improvements and just wanted a bike trail. He urged that Strawberry Road be deleted from the bond issue.
20

21 DEBRA SANDAR, 16-year Strawberry Road resident, supported the road improvements. The design was supported
22 by the local Parent Teacher Association (*PTA*) and a survey of 4000-5000 residents showed positive approval. The
23 Anchorage Road Coalition had requested additional re-vegetation, traffic calming, sidewalks and a separated bike trail,
24 which had made the project more expensive. This project should not be delayed any longer. To Ms. Jennings, Ms.
25 Sandar responded the current road could not accommodate pedestrians or bicycles because there were no shoulders.
26 She had been on the Design Review Committee which addressed reduction of (*vehicular*) speed as a primary concern,
27 which would resolve all the other concerns. Mr. Bauer stated that adding improvements and widening roads often
28 increased (*vehicular*) speed. Ms. Sandar responded that she was the lone voice of the majority and she would not
29 settle for a compromise of fewer improvements.
30

31 Ms. Ossiander moved, to extend the Regular Meeting to midnight, to be
32 Mr. Traini seconded, able to complete the Agenda,
33 and this was approved without objection.
34

35 ANN FISTER opposed the Strawberry Road Project. There were too many projects which had poor designs and were
36 too costly and ineffective. She supported removing Strawberry Road from the ballot
37

38 SAM O'CONNOR, Anchorage Road Coalition member, stated they had recently reduced the footprint of Strawberry
39 Road to make it more sensitive and fit the needs of the community. He supported removing Strawberry Road from the
40 bond package and continuing negotiations.
41

42 TIM NICKOLA stated that Ms. Sandar was not speaking for a majority of Strawberry Road residents, who had opposed
43 this road development and supported development of the bike trail.
44

45 JEANNE McQUEARY, 30-year resident of Strawberry Road, testified that a study had indicated there were currently
46 shoulders, but they had not been maintained. This had grown into a very expensive project because of all the studies
47 and designs. She requested those in the audience to stand, showing their support of the current design.
48

49 MIKE FISTER, Anchorage Road Coalition member, opposed the current design for Strawberry Road. There had been
50 more accidents, higher (*vehicular*) speed and more people more seriously hurt on the improved part of the road.
51

52 JOHN O'DEA testified that Turpin, Piper and Arctic Roads had started out as small projects and grown into huge
53 projects and were not what the community wanted. Piper Street had become a raceway. There were other types of
54 designs that would more accommodate community needs.
55

56 With no additional public testimony, Chair Sullivan closed Public Hearing and called the Question.
57

58 Ms. Jennings moved, to approve AO 2007-33,
59 Mr. Traini seconded,
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61 To Mr. Traini, Municipal Attorney Jim Reeves responded that changing the amount would not legally affect the bond
62 package. Cynthia Weed, with K&L Preston Gates Ellis LLP, acting as Bond Council to the Municipality of Anchorage,
63 responded the Administration had identified projects and costs and the Assembly had authority to eliminate or add
64 projects, within the parameters of the project list. The Charter required an informative summary of the projects. It was
65 determined that the published public notice had been a sufficient informative summary. To Mr. Bauer, Ms. Weed
66 responded that listing projects in the Long Range Transportation Plan (*LRTP*) would be sufficient public notice.
67

68 Mr. Tesche moved, to amend AO 2007-33 on Page 4, Lines 29-20 and on Page
69 Mr. Starr seconded, 5, Lines 1-2, *by deleting*: [~~The debt shall be paid from real
70 and personal property taxes levied and collected within the
71 Anchorage roads and Drainage Service Area, without cost to
72 Eagle River and Chugiak taxpayers.] and *by adding*: "This
73 debt shall be first paid from real and personal property taxes
74 levied and collected within the Anchorage Roads and
75 Drainage Service Area, without cost to properties in Chugiak,
76 Eagle River, Girdwood and other areas outside the Service
77 Area."
78~~

1 Ms. Jennings moved, to amend AO 2007-33, **by deleting the Strawberry Road**
2 Mr. Bauer seconded, **Project** from the ordinance and adjust the total dollar amount
3 accordingly,
4

5 Ms. Jennings stated that public testimony had indicated there were still safety issues associated with Strawberry Road
6 and she proposed to delete for purposes of discussion. The Administration had addressed contact sensitive design
7 and safety, but had not reduced the width of the lanes. The total bond package would be reduced by \$8.4 million. Mr.
8 Bauer concurred.
9

10 Mr. Coffey stated that Strawberry Road would have to be deleted from the 2007 detailed projects list, Agenda number
11 14.I, because Strawberry was not included in AO 2007-33.
12

13 Ms. Ossiander stated that there were many pros and cons on the Strawberry Road Project. Mayor Begich responded
14 that this project had been delayed for 15 years. There had been more traffic-calming factors used with this design
15 than any other road project in Anchorage. 4000 residents had returned mail ballots in the area, indicating 63%
16 support. The Administration responded to all community concerns and had proposed traffic-calming elements that
17 improved safety. Municipal Engineer Howard Holtan responded the community input had caused the Administration to
18 readdress collector street standards, which had been ultimately reduced in width. The compromises produced a good
19 design that was safe and was fully supported by the school's PTA.
20

21 To Mr. Coffey, Mayor Begich responded the Administration had completed detailed studies and it was time to either
22 support this project or move on. Any delay would cause additional expensive. Mr. Holtan responded that with the
23 added improvements, with the shoulders and the ditch lines, there was no room for additional pedestrian facilities.
24

25 To Ms. Jennings, Mr. Holtan responded that the primary concern on Strawberry Road was pedestrian safety. The
26 compromise was to sacrifice some pedestrian safety to retain some the feel of a country lane.
27

28 To Mr. Bauer, Mr. Holtan responded that Strawberry Road was classified as a collector street.
29

30 Chair Sullivan stated the design studies had addressed traffic calming and pedestrian safety. He put the Question.
31

32 and this motion failed, 3-7.
33

34 AYES: Bauer, Birch and Jennings.

35 NAYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Coffey and Traini.

36 (*Clerk's Note: Mr. Stout was excused for the remainder of the Meeting.*)
37

38 Chair Sullivan put the Question.
39

40 and the main motion, as amended, passed, 10-0.
41

42 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Traini
43 and Jennings.

44 NAYES: None.

45 ABSENT: Stout, excused.
46

47 Mayor Begich clarified for the record that he had referred to the word "improvement" on the postcards sent to the 4000
48 Sand Lake residents. Ms. McQueary had a different recollection that that word had not been used.
49

50 14.J. Ordinance No. AO 2007-29, an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified voters of
51 Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of not to exceed \$5,700,000 of General Obligation
52 Bonds of the Municipality of Anchorage to pay the costs of **Public Safety and Transportation**
53 **Improvements** and related capital improvements, and the question of an increase in the municipal tax
54 cap limitation to pay associated operations and maintenance costs at the election to be held in the
55 Municipality on April 3, 2007; Finance.

56 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 99-2007.
57

58 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing
59 and called the Question.
60

61 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve AO 2007-29,
62 Mr. Traini seconded,
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64 Deputy Municipal Manager Michael Abbott requested two corrections.
65

66 Mr. Tesche moved, to amend AO 2007-29 on Page 4, Line 26 *by changing*
67 Mr. Coffey seconded, [~~\$30,000~~] to "\$200,000,"
68 and this was approved without objection.
69

70 Mr. Coffey moved, to amend AO 2007-29 on Page 5, Line 6, *by changing*
71 Chair Sullivan seconded, [~~\$.10~~] to "\$.68;"
72 this was approved without objection.
73

74 and the main motion, as amended, was passed, 10-0.
75

76 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Traini
77 and Jennings.

78 NAYES: None.

1 ABSENT: Stout, excused.

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3 14.K. Ordinance No. AO 2007-30, an ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified voters of
4 Anchorage, Alaska, the question of the issuance of not to exceed \$3,075,000 of General Obligation
5 Bonds of the Municipality of Anchorage to pay the costs of **Fire Protection Capital Improvements**
6 and the question of an increase in the municipal tax cap limitation to pay associated operations and
7 maintenance costs in the Anchorage Fire Service Area at the election to be held in the Municipality on
8 April 3, 2007; Finance.
9 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 100-2007.

10
11 Chair Sullivan read the ordinance title and opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing
12 and called the Question.

13
14 Mr. Tesche moved, to approve AO 2007-30,
15 Mr. Coffey seconded,

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17 Mr. Tesche moved, to amend AO 2007-30 on Page 4, Lines 27-28, *by deleting:*
18 Mr. Coffey seconded, ~~[The debt shall be paid from real and personal property~~
19 and this was approved without objection. ~~taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Parks and~~
20 ~~Recreation Service Area without cost to Chugiak/Eagle River~~
21 ~~taxpayers.] and by adding as a separate paragraph: "The~~
22 debt shall be first paid from real and personal property taxes
23 levied and collected within the Anchorage Parks and
24 Recreation Service Area, without cost to properties in
25 Chugiak, Eagle River, Girdwood and other areas outside the
26 Service Area.;"

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28 and the main motion, as amended, passed, 10-0.

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30 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Traini
31 and Jennings.

32 NAYES: None.

33 ABSENT: Stout, excused.

34
35 Ms. Ossiander moved, to Change the Order of the Day to take up and *for*
36 Mr. Tesche seconded, *immediate reconsideration* of AO 2007-26(S), Agenda
37 and this was approved without objection, item 14.C,
38 with Mr. Stout as an excused absence.

- 39
40 14.L. Resolution No. AR 2007-20, a resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly appropriating
41 \$150,000 to the Port of Anchorage 2007 Operating Fund (570) and **revising the 2007 Port of**
42 **Anchorage Operating Budget**; Port of Anchorage.
43 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 75-2007.
44 2. (10.D.17) Assembly Memorandum No. AM 128-2007, recommendation of award to Visions
45 Meeting & Event Management, a Division of US Travel Alaska, LLC for providing **event**
46 **planner services** for the Municipality of Anchorage, Port of Anchorage (RFP 26-P044)
47 (\$1,027,808); Purchasing.

48
49 Chair Sullivan read the resolution title and stated that AM 128-2007, Consent Agenda item 9.D.17, would be taken up
50 with this matter. He opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing and called the Question.

51
52 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve AR 2007-20,
53 Mr. Traini seconded,
54 and this motion was approved, 10-0.

55
56 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Traini
57 and Jennings.

58 NAYES: None.

59 ABSENT: Stout, excused.

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61 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve AM 128-2007,
62 Mr. Traini seconded,
63 and this motion was approved without objection,
64 with Mr. Stout as an excused absence.

- 65
66 14.M. Resolution No. AR 2007-30, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, accepting and
67 appropriating a State of Alaska Clean Water Fund loan offer in the amount of \$5,000,000 for financing
68 a portion of the costs of the **SCADA – Sewer Project**; Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility.
69 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 94-2007.

70
71 Chair Sullivan read the resolution title and opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing
72 and called the Question.

73
74 Mr. Coffey moved, to approve AR 2007-30,
75 Ms. Ossiander seconded,
76 and this motion was passed, 10-0.

77

1 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Traini
2 and Jennings.
3 NAYES: None.
4 ABSENT: Stout, excused.
5

- 6 14.N. Resolution No. AR 2007-34, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$324,420 from
7 the Areawide General Fund (101) Fund Balance to the Project Management & Engineering
8 Department 2007 General Government Operating Budget (Fund 101), and \$294,120 from the Building
9 Safety Fund (181) Fund Balance to the Development Services Department 2007 General Government
10 Operating Budget (Fund 181) for the **Hillside District Plan**; Project Management & Engineering.
11 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 111-2007.

12
13 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to Postpone* AR 2007-34 to February 27, 2007,
14 Mr. Coffey seconded,
15 and this was approved without objection.
16

- 17 14.O. Resolution No. AR 2007-35, a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating \$706,490 to
18 the Special Assessment District 04-25 for **sediment removal from Campbell Lake**; Project
19 Management & Engineering.
20 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 115-2007.
21 2. Resolution No. AR 2007-35(S), a resolution of the Municipality of Anchorage appropriating
22 \$706,490 to the Special Assessment District 04-25 for sediment removal from Campbell Lake;
23 Finance Department. (**Addendum**)
24 3. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 151-2007. (**Addendum**)
25

26 Chair Sullivan read the resolution title and opened Public Hearing. With no one to testify, he closed Public Hearing
27 and called the Question.
28

29 Ms. Ossiander moved, *to approve* AR 2007-35(S),
30 Mr. Coffey seconded,
31 and this motion was passed, 10-0.
32

33 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Traini
34 and Jennings.
35 NAYES: None.
36 ABSENT: Stout, excused.
37

- 38 14.P. Ordinance No. AO 2007-24, an ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending Anchorage
39 Municipal Code Section 4.05.035 to require members of **municipal advisory boards and**
40 **commissions** other than the Youth Advisory Commission to be at least 18 years of age;
41 Assemblymembers Traini and Coffey.
42 1. Assembly Memorandum No. AM 76-2007.
43 2. Information Memorandum No. AIM 28-2007, **Summary of Economic Effects** for AO 2007-24,
44 Assemblymember Traini. (**Addendum**)
45

46 (*Clerk's Note: See item 10.F.11 for related details of Assembly discussion and action on AO 2007-38.*)
47

48 Chair Sullivan opened Public Hearing. Chair Sullivan requested that all those in favor of the ordinance to stand.
49 (*Clerk's Note: Chair Sullivan estimated 80 persons stood in support.*) Chair Sullivan requested those who opposed to
50 stand and one man stood in opposition. With no additional public testimony, Chair Sullivan closed Public Hearing and
51 called the Question.
52

53 Mr. Tesche moved, *to postpone indefinitely* AO 2007-24,
54 Ms. Jennings seconded,
55 and this was approved, 10-1.
56

57 AYES: Tesche, Shamberg (*participating telephonically*), Bauer, Starr, Sullivan, Ossiander, Birch, Coffey, Stout
58 and Jennings.
59 NAYES: Traini.
60

61 **15. SPECIAL ORDERS** None.
62

63 **16. UNFINISHED AGENDA** None.
64

65 **17. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**
66

67 FRANK McQUEARY stated that the Administration could not get legitimate bonds passed because there was public
68 distrust when public servants became advocates for projects that were not acceptable to the community. The
69 Assembly had done a public disservice that evening by approving Strawberry Road to be on the ballot.
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71 JEANNE McQUEARY stated that the Mayor and Mr. Holtan influenced and changed Assemblymember's minds on the
72 Strawberry Road project. Strawberry Road would not be safer and a new engineering firm needed be used to create a
73 good design. This problem was not going away.
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75 **18. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS** None.
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77 **19. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS** None.
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1 **20. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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5 Mr. Traini moved, to adjourn the Regular Assembly Meeting,
6 Ms. Jennings seconded,
7 and this motion was passed unanimously.
8 with Mr. Stout, excused.

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10 The Regular Assembly Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

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18 DAN SULLIVAN, Assembly Chair

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26 BARBARA GRUENSTEIN, Municipal Clerk

27 Date Minutes Amended (Page 2, Lines 2, 7) and Approved: April 10, 2007.

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