

**Municipality
of
Anchorage**



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GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Resolution 2017-02
Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

Resolution of Support for written confirmation of the law enforcement agency that will have authority to respond to incidents on the Seward Highway MP 75-100 to handle crime scene investigation, collision investigation and/or re-opening of the road to traffic after a closure

WHEREAS, the Girdwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. serves the community of Girdwood as well as providing emergency response to highway incidents from MP 75 to MP 100 on the Seward Highway; and

WHEREAS, until April 30, 2017, the Alaska State Troopers have provided law enforcement to traffic, injury, and criminal incidents in this area, and notified the Municipality of Anchorage in a letter dated Feb 13, 2017 that they will no longer provide such response within the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, at this time, no agency has been designated to provide law enforcement response on the Seward Highway for incidents requiring crime scene investigation, collision investigation, and/or re-opening the road to traffic after a closure; and

WHEREAS, Girdwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. does not have the authority, personnel, or expertise to re-open the highway; and

WHEREAS, this is an item of utmost concern to Girdwood residents and businesses, who rely on the Seward Highway for access to school, work, commerce, recreation, and visitor access.

THEREFORE, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves to support the Girdwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. in their request for written confirmation of the law enforcement agency that will have the authority to respond to incidents on the Seward Highway MP 75-100 to handle crime scene investigation, collision investigation and/or re-opening of the road to traffic after a closure.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors on this 20th day of January, 2017.

Sam Daniel

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2/24/17

Date

Margaret Jahn

Attest