



**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM**

NO. 866-2001

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Date: 10-23-01

Meeting Date: October 23, 2001

From: Assemblymembers Tesche and Traini

**Subject: ASSEMBLY APPROVAL FOR EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS - LEGAL
CONTRACT SERVICES (\$15,000)**

Since Unification, the question of the lawful extent of the Mayor's veto power under Charter 5.02 periodically arises. Recent questions of Assemblymembers over exercise of the veto on floor amendments made to the text of legislation suggest the issue remains unresolved. In order to provide guidance on this re-occurring issue outside of a specific controversy, the opinions of outside counsel may be useful. Among several of Alaska's leaders in this field, Avrum Gross of Juneau has indicated a willingness to assist the Assembly.

Avrum Gross is the former Attorney General of Alaska, serving in the Hammrod Administration. He is respected throughout the State as an expert in constitutional law, government organization, and public policy issues. He is a partner in the Juneau Law firm of Gross & Burke.


In accordance with AMC 2.20.090, this memorandum is a request for approval to expend Assembly funds exceeding \$2,000 to pay for a sole source contract for the above legal services in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

Your approval of this expenditure is requested.

Respectfully submitted,


Allan Tesche
Assemblymember

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FUND CERTIFICATION:

101-1010-3111 - \$15,000 - BY2001
(2001 Operating)


Kate Giard
Chief Fiscal Officer

At 866-2001

1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA ITEM	DATE PREPARED
	Assembly Approval For Encumbrance of Funds - Legal Contract Service (\$25,000)	SEVERAL DOCUMENTS ATTACHED ALL
2	DEPARTMENT NAME Assembly	PREPARED BY Greg Meyer
3	THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY Greg Meyer	ISSUER PHONE NUMBER 4751
4	COORDINATED WITH AND APPROVED BY	DATE
	Mayor	
	Heritage Land Bank	
	Merrill Field Airport	
	Municipal Light & Power	
	Port of Anchorage	
	Solid Waste Services	
	Water & Wastewater Utility	
	Municipal Manager	
	Cultural & Recreational Services	
	Employee Relations	
	Finance, Chief Fiscal Officer	10/23/01
	Fire	
	Health & Human Services	
	Office of Management and Information Systems	10/23/01
	Management Information Systems	
	Police	
	Planning, Development & Economic Services	
	Development Services	
	Facility Management	
	Planning	
	Project Management	
	Street Maintenance	
	Traffic	
	Public Transportation	
	Purchasing	
	Municipal Attorney	
	Municipal Clerk	
	Other	
5	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS	
		
6	APPROVAL SIGNATURE	