



MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. 261-2006

Meeting Date: _____

1 **From:** Mayor

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3 **Subject:** AO 2006-60(S), Amendment to the Anchorage Municipal Code Chapter 15.70 Noise Control

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5 Anchorage continues to grow and develop and as it does, homeowners, business operators, tenants and
6 recreational area users find themselves closer together. In our being closer together, community noise
7 becomes more of an issue.

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9 This S version clarifies the definition of “construction” and adds a definition for “construction site” only.
10 These definitions specify which types of operations and activities are construction and which are not.
11 Examples of construction are given as well as examples of manufacturing, including manufacturing that
12 supports construction, that are not construction.

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14 Within the municipal noise ordinance, construction is specifically addressed regarding generation of
15 noise. Limits for noise levels from construction are higher than most other activities and construction is
16 one of only five activities eligible for a noise permit. If applied for and granted, a noise permit may allow
17 even higher levels of noise.

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19 Many suggestions have been made by numerous people regarding the noise ordinance. Further meetings
20 are planned with known stakeholders to discuss other code modifications necessary to meet current needs
21 of the community.

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24 **RECOMMENDATION:**

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26 **ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ATTACHED ASSEMBLY**
27 **ORDINANCE.**

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30 Concur: Denis C. LeBlanc, Municipal Manager

31 Respectfully submitted: Mark Begich, Mayor