

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 2026-036**

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL TO THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY OF THE
ANCHORAGE WETLANDS MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE, PHASE I.**

(Case No. 2026-0036)

WHEREAS, the 2014 *Anchorage Wetlands Management Plan* is an adopted component of the Comprehensive Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the 2014 *Anchorage Wetlands Management Plan* was last updated through Assembly Ordinance No. 2013-132(S); and,

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage no longer issues General Permits on behalf of the Army Corps of Engineers for wetland fill projects in “C” wetlands; and,

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the 2014 *Anchorage Wetlands Management Plan*, implementation responsibilities have shifted among municipal departments due to changes in staffing capacity and federal regulations; and,

WHEREAS, these staffing changes, combined with evolving regulatory environment, necessitate reassignment of oversight roles to ensure effective administration of the *Anchorage Wetlands Management Plan*.

WHEREAS, public hearing notices were published, and a public hearing was held on May 11, 2026, and closed with action postponed to a date uncertain to resolve questions among departments within the Municipality; and,

WHEREAS, a work session was held on June 8, 2026, and action was continued to the July 13, 2026 meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Anchorage Planning and Zoning Commission that:

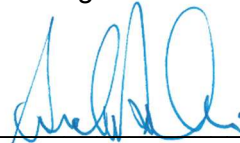
- A. The Commission makes the following findings of fact:
 - 1. The proposed revisions reflect the responses to comments received from municipal regulatory staff who will enforce it.
 - 2. This ordinance clarifies who in the Municipality is responsible to complete the wetland regulatory review process.
 - 3. Having a procedure in place to modify wetland boundaries is an important part of the development process.
 - 4. Several agencies sent in comments, none of which raised any objection to the ordinance.
 - 5. There were no public comments received for this ordinance.
- B. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends to the Anchorage Assembly approval of the *Anchorage Wetlands Management Plan* Update, Phase I, as presented in the staff report dated July 13, 2026.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Planning and Zoning Commission on the 13th day of July 2026.

ADOPTED by the Anchorage Planning and Zoning Commission this 3rd day of August 2026.



Mélisa R. K. Babb
Secretary



Andre Spinelli
Chair

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