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To: [Turner, Travis A.](#)
Subject: Fw: AR 2022-361
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 9:56:41 AM

Can this email string please be added as a document for the meeting today on the website?

Thanks.

Thank you,
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He/Him/His

Dena'inaq etnen'aq' gheshtnu ch'q'u yeshdu. (Dena'ina)

I live and work on Dena'ina land. (English)

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Sent: Friday, January 13, 2023 8:18 AM
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Subject: Fwd: AR 2022-361

On behalf of Assembly Member Volland, please see the email below re the Sullivan Arena.

From: Kohlhase, Kent E. <kent.kohlhase@anchorageak.gov>
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2023 4:58:57 PM
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Subject: RE: AR 2022-361

Hello, Daniel and Chris,

Thank you all for your patience and allowing us the opportunity to create a plan for the Sullivan arena area appropriation. I know you've been waiting for this information; as Daniel notes, there was early discussion about how to address this, including APD patrols in the area. We did lose some

momentum on this effort in the latter part of December.

We did look into using Securitas, but that type of work isn't really in the scope of their contract. In addition, they cannot perform law enforcement duties.

The administration met with relevant departments and came up with the following: We are providing Anchorage Police Department with ~ \$250k of the \$400k for the additional details. The remaining funds will be used by Parks and Recreation to deploy the Healthy Spaces Team, including hiring and expanding the team.

APD will be utilizing a zero tolerance patrol presence. Officers on shift will be able to address the pedestrian traffic, vehicle traffic, parking problems, illegal camping, and the trespassing problems in the area. Additionally, we will have officers on foot patrol in the area. These officers will contact people in the area, document camps, provide information to the CAP team, and issue citations when appropriate. Officers will increase vehicle patrols of the neighborhoods as well. Traffic enforcement along the feeder streets in the area will increase and focus on the following:

- Equipment violations
- Pedestrian violations
- Camping violations (Chester creek area, corner of 15th Ave and A street, and surrounding areas between Cordova and Eyak Drive)
- Speed enforcement (16th Ave, short portion of A Street and Gambell)
- Parking enforcement (street and alleyway of neighborhoods to the north and south of Sullivan complex)

APD enforcement will primarily occur during the following times:

- Mornings 0900-1300
- Afternoons 1700-2100
- Evenings 2200-0200

Due to cost constraints, there will not be daily enforcement during these time periods; APD will assess and modify their patrol plan to be most effective, and to allow for a longer calendar period of patrols.

I do want to make it clear that APD officers will not be able to selectively enforce laws; any person observed violating the law will be contacted and cited. This may include residents of the area, users of the trail system, and drivers transiting the area who violate laws and statutes. APD patrols will begin next week.

The Parks Department has been actively recruiting and hiring staff for the Healthy Spaces Team. Six people have been hired, and the intent is to hire 6 more. The Healthy Spaces Team has a strong relationship with APD and the CAP team, so this is advantageous. The Healthy Spaces Team has already commenced their field efforts.

Efforts will be focused primarily in the areas around the Sullivan and Chester Creek Sports Complex. We will monitor Peratrovitch Park and can redirect to that area, but we want to be as efficient and effective as possible, and we aren't aware of significant issues in that area at this time.

Best regards,

Kent

Kent Kohlhase, P.E.

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Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2023 2:58 PM

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Thanks, Kent. I look forward to your update.

Daniel Volland

Assembly Member

Representing North Anchorage, District 1

Thank you for adding your voice to the permanent record of the Municipality of Anchorage.

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Good Morning, Daniel,

I apologize for the delayed response. I was out of the office last week.

I know that this was discussed last week in my absence. I'm meeting with Chief Kerle, Mike Braniff, and Blair tomorrow afternoon. I'll provide a status update after that meeting.

Best regards,

Kent

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From: Volland, Daniel R. <Daniel.Volland@anchorageak.gov>

Sent: Monday, January 2, 2023 7:13 PM

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Subject: AR 2022-361

Hello all,

On November 22nd, the Assembly appropriated \$400K for homelessness sheltering mitigation efforts.

"That an amount not to exceed FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$400,000) are made available to the Municipality of Anchorage, Maintenance and Operations Department for increased security and cleaning services around the following municipally owned properties: Peratrovich Park, the Chester Creek Sports Complex, and the segment of Chester Creek Trail between Woodside Park and Arctic Boulevard."

The AM stated, **"These services are requested to be implemented no later than January 2, 2023 until one (1) week after the closing of the Emergency Cold Weather Shelter at the Sullivan Arena."**

At a recent meeting of the Committee on Housing and Homelessness, former Municipal Manager Amy Demboski stated on the record that it was the Admin's intention to implement the security portion of these appropriations via APD overtime patrols, at least until any potential conflicts with labor union contracts could be resolved and there might be a more "cost effective" solution.

Should you care to watch the discussion back to hear Ms. Demboski in her own words, it starts at 54:55 on this recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vlJq3Y1i36M>

I need a status update, please. Have these overtime patrols begun? Have cleaning services been ramped up in these locales?

Daniel Volland
Assembly Member
Representing District 1, North Anchorage

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