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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SETTING FORTH A
PROCESS AND TIMETABLE FOR COMPLETION OF THE ANCHORAGE BOWL
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

WHEREAS, Sec. 12.01 of the Home Rule Charter requires the Assembly by ordinance to adopt and implement, and from time to time modify, a comprehensive plan setting forth goals, objectives, and policies governing the future development of the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan is essential for the orderly development of Anchorage and for maintaining the quality of life which residents of Anchorage expect and deserve; and

WHEREAS, a Comprehensive Plan can be successfully developed only through an inclusive public process which brings together the divergent interests of the community.

NOW THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

Section 1: Appointment of Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan Committee

The Mayor shall appoint twelve (12) Anchorage residents to serve as members of a Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan Committee. Members appointed by the Mayor are subject to confirmation by the Assembly as required by Charter Section 5.07(b). The Committee shall be composed of representatives of diverse community interests described on the attached sheet. Two members of the Planning and Zoning Commission, two members of the Assembly, and one member of the Anchorage School Board, each appointed by their respective bodies, shall serve as ex officio members of the Committee. Through monthly meetings, the Committee shall provide policy review and guidance for development of the Comprehensive Plan.

Section 2: Staff Support and Consultants

Staff support to the Commission shall be provided by the Department of Community Planning and Development. In accordance with Title 7 of the Anchorage Municipal Code, the Department may retain such additional experts or consultants as its work may require for completion of the Plan.

Section 3: Work Product

Through text, maps, and graphics, the Comprehensive Plan is a statement of public policy regarding the course of the physical development of the Municipality including land use, transportation, recreation, commercial and industrial, and public facilities. Goals and objectives consistent with AMC 21.05.025 and tied to specific performance measures shall be set forth in the Plan. The Plan shall identify and describe development alternatives, and the public process utilized to select preferred alternatives. The Plan may also incorporate specific elements such as those contained in current provisions of AMC 21.05.030 and state which of those should be revised and how. The Plan shall identify and, with precision, describe necessary amendments which should be made to existing zoning district regulations, the subdivision ordinance, and other land use regulations which by subsequent legislation will be updated to conform to the new Plan.

Section 4: Turnagain Arm, Chugiak-Eagle River, and Girdwood Comprehensive Plan Integration

Given the importance of the Turnagain Arm area, the Chugiak-Eagle River area, and the Girdwood area to future development of the Anchorage Bowl, and their identification in AMC 21.05.030(b), 21.05.030(c), and 21.05.030(s) respectively as areas having a requirement for a unique comprehensive plan, the Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan shall carefully consider the impact of proposed regulation changes on future development in these three areas. Inconsistencies among the four plans shall be identified and recommended changes to the three existing comprehensive plans shall be prepared. These recommendations shall be considered during the next scheduled update of these three plans.

Section 5: An Open, Inclusive Public Process

In the preparation of a new Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan, an open public process intended to educate the public and to obtain its advice and opinion shall be followed. Public input shall be obtained through newspaper circulation, distribution of printed materials, public opinion surveys, periodic workshops open to the public, and public hearings.

Section 6: Timetable

Thirty days after passage of this resolution, the Mayor shall appoint the members of the Committee. By no later than March 2000, the draft Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan shall be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission for its review and approval.

Section 7: Municipal Resources To Be Provided

The Department of Community Planning and Development shall make such professional, technical, and clerical staff available to the Committee as are necessary to develop, prepare, and implement the Plan. The Assembly and the Administration shall appropriate and make available such additional funds as are necessary to retain private consultants, advisors, and experts necessary to this process.

Section 8: Implementation

The Administration and the Assembly, during and following completion of the new Plan, will prepare, recommend, and adopt such additional measures as are necessary to implement the Plan. Those measures will include, but are not limited to revisions to existing zoning district regulations, the subdivision ordinance, and other land use regulations of the municipality necessary to implement the Plan.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this _____ day of _____, 1999.

Chairman

ATTEST

Municipal Clerk