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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
AR NO. 2002- 70

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY MAKING A SITE IN THE  
VICINITY OF RUTH ARCAND PARK AVAILABLE TO THE SIMONIAN LITTLE LEAGUE IN  
2004**

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WHEREAS, private property historically used by the Simonian Little League for youth baseball will no longer be available to the League after the Summer season of 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality has traditionally made its property available to the Little League for youth baseball because use of Municipal lands for Little League programs benefits all of the citizens of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, land situated slightly North of Site 31 of the Abbott Loop/Simonian Community Park Report prepared by Land Design North, located within Ruth Arcand Park, is currently under Municipal ownership and can be made available for relocation of the Simonian Little League fields by Summer 2004 without further acquisition costs; and

WHEREAS, 90% or more of this site is located on uplands, and has a grade of less than 10%, as recommended in the Study; and

WHEREAS, the site has a long list of virtues which include: site is already under public ownership; site has access via an existing major arterial roadway, including a pedestrian underpass connecting adjacent residential neighborhoods and established bike trails; proximity to two public schools, thereby providing supplemental play fields for use by the Anchorage School District during the school year; existing water facilities for field maintenance; minimal impact on other recreation users; existing and compatible zoning (PLI); and minimal noise and traffic impacts to surrounding neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the required public process for site selection and approval of a site plan for relocation of ball fields in the vicinity of Ruth Arcand Park is identical to that required for construction of the fields in Bicentennial Park and is no more time consuming; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality currently has \$100,000 available to assist the Simonian Little League and, in partnership with the League, will explore additional public and private funding for construction of the fields in the vicinity of Ruth Arcand Park.

NOW THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

**Section 1:** That the Municipality shall make approximately fifteen (15) acres of public lands, located near Site 31 of the Abbott Loop/Simonian Community Park Report prepared by Land Design North Study, available for the construction of four new Little League ball fields and accessory uses. The site shall be available for use by the Simonian Little League no later than the Summer of 2004.

**Section 2:** That upon passage of this resolution, the Mayor shall prepare a Development Plan and project budget for relocation of the Simonian Little League fields to an area located near Site 31, within Ruth Arcand Park. The Plan shall accommodate four Little League ball fields and an area sufficient for spectators, concessions, batting cages, and parking. Parking requirements may be supplemented by existing parking available at Spring Hill Elementary School upon agreement by the Anchorage School District.

**Section 3:** That the Assembly intends to appropriate \$100,000 of currently available funding, an additional \$600,000 from the proceeds of a Park Bond, if approved by the voters in April, 2002 or thereafter, and such additional funding as recommended by the Mayor in the project budget toward construction of the ball fields. The Simonian Little League shall provide additional resources in terms of volunteer time, materials, and labor toward the construction of the ball fields.

**Section 4:** That Municipal Codes and Regulations shall govern exact site selection, construction, and use of the ball fields under this resolution. The Mayor shall prepare and submit to the Assembly such legislation, including appropriations measures that are necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution and to make the new ball fields available to the League for play by the Summer of 2004.

**Section 5:** That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2002

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Chair

ATTEST:

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Municipal Clerk



Municipality of Anchorage  
MUNICIPAL CLERK'S OFFICE  
**Agenda Document Control Sheet**

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<b>1</b>	<b>SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT</b>  <b>A Resolution Making a Site in the Vicinity of Ruth Arcand Park</b>  <b>Available to the Simonian Little League in 2004</b>	<b>DATE PREPARED</b>  <b>21-Feb-02</b>	
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<b>2</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT NAME</b> <b>Assembly</b>	<b>DIRECTOR'S NAME</b> Greg Moyer	
<b>3</b>	<b>THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY</b> <b>Elvi Gray-Jackson</b>	<b>HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER</b> 343-4751	
<b>4</b>	<b>COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY</b>	<b>INITIALS</b>	<b>DATE</b>
	Mayor		
	Heritage Land Bank		
	Merrill Field Airport		
	Municipal Light & Power		
	Port of Anchorage		
	Solid Waste Services		
	Water & Wastewater Utility		
	<b>Municipal Manager</b>		
	Cultural & Recreational Services		
	Employee Relations		
	Finance, Chief Fiscal Officer		
	Fire		
	Health & Human Services		
	Office of Management and Budget		
	Management Information Services		
	Police		
	Planning, Development & Public Works		
	Development Services		
	Facility Management		
	Planning		
	Project Management & Engineering		
	Street Maintenance		
	Traffic		
	Public Transportation Department		
	Purchasing		
	<b>Municipal Attorney</b>		
	<b>Municipal Clerk</b>		
	<b>Other</b>		
<b>5</b>	<b>Special Instructions/Comments</b>  <div style="text-align: right;"> <i>2/26/02 P.H. 2/26/02 for 4/19/02</i>  <i>9.B.V. ACTION</i> </div>		
<b>6</b>	<b>ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED</b> <i>2/26/02</i>	<b>7</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED</b>