

*See AO 2003-10(8-1) As Amended*

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Request of the Anchorage School  
District  
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MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

ALASKA

ORDINANCE NO. AO 2003-10

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED FORTY-TWO MILLION AND NO/00 DOLLARS (\$42,000,000) OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE TO PAY THE COSTS OF EDUCATIONAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE AND THE QUESTION OF AN INCREASE IN THE MUNICIPAL TAX CAP LIMITATION TO PAY ASSOCIATED OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE COSTS AT AN ELECTION IN AND FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE ON APRIL 1, 2003.

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY HEREBY ORDAINS

Section 1. It is hereby determined to be for a public purpose and in the public interest of the Municipality of Anchorage (the "Municipality") to incur general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed Forty-Two Million and no/00 Dollars (\$42,000,000), for the purpose of paying the costs of planning, designing, acquiring property for, site preparation, constructing, acquiring, installing and equipping educational capital improvement projects within the Municipality including, but not limited to, the following:

<u>Projects:</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Annual Operation and Maintenance</u>
Administrative and Training Facility	\$42,000,000	\$558,600

Section 2. The sum of not to exceed Forty-Two Million and no/00 Dollars (\$42,000,000) shall be borrowed by, for and on behalf of the Municipality for the aforesaid educational capital improvements and shall be evidenced by the issuance of general

obligation bonds of the Municipality. The bond proceeds shall be used only for capital improvements and costs of issuance of the bonds. The full faith and credit of the Municipality is pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds, and ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property in the Municipality shall be levied without limitation as to rate or amount to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds when due.

Section 3. An election is to be held on April 1, 2003, in and for the Municipality of Anchorage, for the purpose of submitting a general obligation bond proposition to the qualified voters of the Municipality for approval or rejection. The proposition must receive a majority vote of those in the Municipality voting on the question to be approved. The proposition shall be substantially in the following form:

**PROPOSITION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**EDUCATIONAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS**

Shall Anchorage borrow up to \$42,000,000 through the issuance of general obligation bonds to pay for educational capital improvements within Anchorage and increase the municipal tax cap by an amount of \$558,600 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

The general obligation bond proceeds will be used to pay costs of planning, designing, acquiring property for, site preparation, constructing, acquiring, installing and equipping educational capital improvement projects within Anchorage. The proposed educational capital improvement project includes, but is not limited to, the following:

<b><u>Projects:</u></b>	<b><u>Estimated Cost</u></b>	<b><u>Estimated Annual Operation and Maintenance</u></b>
Administrative and Training Facility	\$42,000,000	\$558,600

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed real and personal property value (based on the estimated 2003 assessed valuation): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$18.74 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$2.98 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvement.

1 The debt will be paid from real and personal property taxes  
2 levied and collected areawide in Anchorage. Anchorage will  
also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the debt.

3 Anchorage is currently seeking State reimbursement for  
4 payment of 60% of the principal and interest on these bonds.

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5 Section 4 The proposition, both for paper ballots and machine ballots, shall be  
6 printed on a ballot which may set forth other general obligation bond propositions, and the  
7 following words shall be added as appropriate and next to a square provided for marking  
8 the ballot or voting by a machine:

9 PROPOSITION NO.

Yes ☐

No ☐

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11 Section 5. Section 2 of this Ordinance shall become effective only if the proposition  
12 described in Section 3 is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the  
13 proposition at the regular election on April 1, 2003 The remaining sections of this  
14 Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and approval.

15 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Assembly of Anchorage, Alaska, this  
16 day of February 2003.

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Chairman

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Municipal Clerk

# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

## ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 53-2003

Meeting Date: January 28, 2003

From ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Subject: AO 2003-9 Three Ballot Propositions to Provide  
AO 2003-10 for the Issuance of General  
AO 2003-11 Obligation Bonds for Educational  
Capital Improvements

The Anchorage School Board approved three ballot propositions to provide for the issuance of general obligation bonds for education-related capital projects on December 9, 2002: ASD Memorandum #133 (2002-2003), 2003 General Obligation Bond Recommendations. This recommendation includes proposed Proposition I for Major Maintenance, Equipment and Land Acquisition in the amount of \$41,790,000; Proposition II for an Administrative and Training Facility in the amount of \$42,000,000; and Proposition III for School Renovations, Additions, and Replacement in the amount of \$125,540,000.

The School Board requests the Anchorage Assembly place the three propositions on the April 1, 2003 ballot for consideration by qualified voters of the Municipality of Anchorage. These propositions will pay the cost of capital improvement projects for the Anchorage School District, including, but not limited to, the following:

Proposition I: \$41,790,000

<u>Projects</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Districtwide Major Maintenance	
Districtwide Mechanical Upgrades	\$ 3,990,000
Districtwide Code/Hazmat/ADA Projects	2,365,000
Districtwide Electrical Projects	5,257,000
Districtwide Roof Replacement and Repairs	3,499,000
Districtwide Minor Building Renewal Projects	5,678,000
Districtwide Restroom Upgrades	2,083,000
Districtwide Traffic Safety/Site Upgrades	4,128,000
Security Upgrades - Locks: Phase I	750,000
Emergency Preparedness/Shelters	3,200,000
Student Transportation (10 Replacement School Buses)	840,000
Site Selection and Acquisition	<u>10,000,000</u>
Proposition Total	<u>\$41,790,000</u>

The approximate annual amount of taxes on \$100,000 of assessed real and personal property value (based on estimated total 2003 assessed valuation) to retire the proposed debt is \$18.64.

1    **Proposition II:        \$42,000,000**

2 3 4 5 6	7	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual Operating and Maintenance
8	9 <u>Projects</u>		
10	11    Administrative and Training Facility	\$42,000,000	\$558,600

12    The approximate annual amount of taxes on \$100,000 of assessed real and personal property  
13    value (based on estimated total 2003 assessed valuation) to retire the proposed debt is \$18.74.  
14    An annual increase in the municipal tax cap of approximately \$2.98 on \$100,000 of assessed  
15    real and personal property value (based on estimated total 2003 assessed valuation) is to pay  
16    for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

17    **Proposition III:    \$125,540,000**

18 19 20 21	22	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual Operating and Maintenance
23	24 <u>Projects</u>		
25	26    School Renovations/Additions/Replacements:		
27	28    Bartlett High School		
29	30    Phase 2 Construction	\$ 26,940,000	\$ 70,300
31	32    Chester Valley Elementary School		
33	34    Design Funding	750,000	-0-
35	36    Chugach Optional School		
37	38    Construction Funding	7,000,000	49,625
39	40    New Eagle River Area High School		
41	42    Construction Funding	51,000,000	2,129,575
43	44    East High School		
45	46    Phase 3 Construction & Phase 4 Design Funding	18,200,000	-0-
47	48    Polaris K-12 School		
49	50    Construction Funding	18,600,000	164,900
51	51    Sand Lake Elementary School		
	52    Design Funding	750,000	-0-
	53    Service High School		
	54    Phase 2A Deferred Inflation, Phase 2B Design,		
	55    Phases 3 and 4 Preliminary Design Funding	2,300,000	-0-
	56    Proposition Total	<u>\$125,540,000</u>	<u>\$2,414,400</u>

57    The approximate annual amount of taxes on \$100,000 of assessed real and personal property  
58    value (based on estimated total 2003 assessed valuation) to retire the proposed debt is \$56.01.

1 An annual increase in the municipal tax cap of approximately \$12.87 on \$100,000 of  
2 assessed real and personal property value (based on estimated total 2003 assessed valuation)  
3 is to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital  
4 improvements.

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6 A brief description of the projects in the three bond proposals is provided beginning on page  
7 5 of this memorandum.

#### 8 9 Supporting Information

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11 Since 1993, the Anchorage School District has received voter approval for a total of \$677  
12 million in school construction and renovation bonds. Of this amount, approximately \$409  
13 million has received up to 70 percent State reimbursement through grant funds or the debt  
14 reimbursement program.

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16 In 1999, the District began a major undertaking of phased renovations of its high schools.  
17 Prior to 1999, with the exception of West High School, all school construction projects in  
18 1990's had been directed toward elementary and middle schools. The 1999 Bond issue  
19 included funding for a replacement school for Dimond High School, a new high school in  
20 South Anchorage, upgrades at Chugiak High School, and planning for a new Eagle River  
21 Area High School and a new Muldoon Area Middle School. The 2000 and 2002 Bond  
22 proposals included funding for continuing the secondary school renovations. This bond  
23 proposal includes continuation of the high school renovation projects.

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25 In addition to the continuation of the high school projects, this bond proposal provides  
26 funding for the construction phase at Chugach Optional School, Polaris K-12 School and new  
27 Eagle River Area High School; funding to meet the ongoing needs for Major Maintenance  
28 work throughout the schools; funding for a centralized Administrative and Training Facility,  
29 which will allow for consolidation of administrative spaces currently housed in nine  
30 locations, five of which are leased. It also includes design funding for two elementary  
31 schools; the initial phase of preparing schools as emergency shelters; site selection and  
32 acquisition funds for future sites; and ten new school buses.

#### 33 34 **Documentation of Need:**

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36 The District operates and maintains the largest physical plant of any public entity in the State,  
37 with over 7 million square feet of facilities. The replacement value of District buildings  
38 exceeds \$1.2 billion. The District has 94 facilities, housing in excess of 50,000 students and  
39 5,000 staff members. Anchorage educates 37 percent of the total student population of the  
40 State. It has more students than the total of the next four largest districts. Not only is the  
41 inventory large, it is aging. Sixty-three schools are 20 to 50 years old and 24 are over 40  
42 years old. Other than the replacement Dimond High School, opening in the fall of 2003, the  
43 District's newest high school is 30 years old.

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45 **Building components wear out.** Facility systems only last so long. Roofs deteriorate and  
46 leak; heating and plumbing systems wear out and no longer provide good air quality;  
47 structural systems give way. Various code changes require updating electrical systems, ADA  
48 access, asbestos removal, sprinkler and fire safety upgrades.

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50 **Functional obsolescence** is another fact of life for older schools. Over the life of a school,  
51 programmatic changes take place that demand updating the facility infrastructure. There is a

1 continual need to update the electrical distribution systems in the schools to accommodate  
2 current technology. Older schools have outdated science rooms that also limit curriculum  
3 options. Current educational concepts dictate physical layouts that are often different from  
4 those of 30-40 years ago. Without renovation, these schools do not provide our students the  
5 same quality educational environment as our newer schools.

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7 **Additional capacity** to house the constantly growing student population is the third  
8 component of capital requirements. Anchorage is the largest district in the State and its  
9 overall enrollment has been steadily climbing. To meet short-term capacity needs, the  
10 Anchorage School District uses over 131 relocatable units.

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12 **Effective use of operation and maintenance funding** is critical to keeping Anchorage  
13 schools in good condition. The District uses a computerized preventative maintenance  
14 program; continually reviews the maintenance program to implement better ways of doing  
15 business; has regionalized maintenance teams to provide better service and reduce travel  
16 time; has implemented an apprenticeship program at no cost to the District to improve worker  
17 skills and productivity.

#### 18 19 **Capital Request Advisory Committee**

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21 The District's Capital Request Advisory Committee (CRAC) is comprised of representatives  
22 of the design and construction professions, community representatives from each high school  
23 area of the Municipality and the military, and representatives from other education-related  
24 groups. The Committee met on November 12, 2002 and again on November 21, 2002 to  
25 review options and develop recommendations for a spring 2003 Bond. The Committee  
26 recommended two bond packages totaling \$207,286,000. The School Board carefully  
27 reviewed these recommendations and concurred with the findings of the CRAC, with the  
28 exception of minor changes in funding due to updated budget information and breaking out  
29 the Administrative and Training Facility as its own bond proposition.

#### 30 31 **Discussion of Debt Retirement Funding From HB 2003**

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33 HB 2003, passed in May 2002, provides for 60 percent or 70 percent debt reimbursement on  
34 school construction projects that have received local voter approval between June 30, 1999  
35 and December 31, 2004. The implementation of this bill was dependent on the positive vote  
36 on Proposition C in the November 2002 State election. The District is currently preparing to  
37 submit approximately \$90,000,000 in debt reimbursement applications for projects from the  
38 April 2000 and April 2002 bond propositions. Most of these projects should be eligible for  
39 70 percent reimbursement.

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41 For the projects included in this recommended 2003 bond proposal, approximately  
42 \$78,000,000 should be eligible for 70 percent reimbursement and \$120,000,000 at 60 percent  
43 reimbursement. The school buses will not be eligible for this debt reimbursement program;  
44 however, the buses will be reimbursed through the ongoing State support of student  
45 transportation. The site acquisition items from this recommendation may be reimbursed in  
46 the future, depending upon when the land is purchased and when schools are constructed on  
47 these sites. The annual amount of taxes on \$100,000 of assessed real and personal property  
48 value indicated on the attached ordinances are calculated without State debt reimbursement.  
49 Subject to project approval by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development  
50 and annual appropriation by the legislature, the annual amount of taxes to retire the proposed  
51 bonds will be less than indicated in the proposed ordinances and this memorandum.

**Project Descriptions**

**Districtwide Mechanical Upgrades**

Various heating/boiler systems need to be upgraded or replaced; ventilation controls need to be updated; various water and waste water systems and parts of systems need to be upgraded; other mechanical issues need to be addressed. These projects are important in providing basic heat, ventilation, and utility services to the facilities in the District, and will impact the following schools:

Alpenglow, Birchwood ABC, Campbell, Chinook, Chugiak, College Gate, Creekside Park, Eagle River, Fire Lake, Government Hill, Homestead, Huffman, Klatt, Mountain View, Sand Lake, Willow Crest Elementary Schools; Mears and Mirror Lake Middle Schools; Girdwood K-8 School; Benson and Save Secondary Schools.

**Districtwide Code/Asbestos/ADA Projects**

Due to the age of the District's facilities, there remains many asbestos-containing building materials including flooring, pipe insulation, wallboards, insulated doors and fireproofing. As this EPA controlled hazardous material deteriorates, is uncovered or restricts construction or maintenance, it must be repaired, encapsulated or removed to protect occupants and workers. Additionally, many issues arise each year related to providing accommodation under ADA regulation and code compliance. These include sprinkler system upgrades, emergency lights, and handicap access. These concerns must be acted upon in a timely manner to assure our buildings are safe and accessible for students, staff and the general public. These projects will impact at a minimum the following schools:

Abbott Loop, Birchwood ABC, Creekside Park, Huffman, Lake Otis, O'Malley, Spring Hill Elementary Schools; Clark Middle School; Girdwood K-8 School; Benson Secondary School.

**Districtwide Electrical Projects**

Electrical projects that are part of this request include: fire alarm system upgrades; security system upgrades; lighting replacement or upgrades. These projects are needed to assure a safe environment for students and staff, and to provide adequate, efficient lighting in areas currently lacking proper lighting. These projects will impact the following schools:

Abbott Loop, Alpenglow, Bayshore, Birchwood ABC, Campbell, Chinook, College Gate, Fire Lake, Huffman, Klatt, Mountain View, North Star, Ocean View, Tudor, Ursa Major Elementary Schools; Girdwood and Northern Lights ABC K-8 Schools; Central, Hanshew, Mears, Romig Middle Schools; Benson and Save Secondary Schools; West High School.

**Districtwide Roof Replacement and Repairs**

Major roof repairs are needed immediately at several school locations in the District. Roof surfaces need to be repaired or replaced where leaks have recently developed; roof insulation needs to be upgraded to minimize heat loss; structural issues must be addressed to maintain the integrity of existing roof systems under snow load or earthquake conditions. These projects will impact the following schools:



Abbott Loop, Bayshore, Bear Valley, Birchwood ABC, Chugiak, Fire Lake, Gladys Wood, Homestead, Mountain View, Northwood, O'Malley Elementary Schools; Mears Middle School; Steller Secondary School.

#### Districtwide Minor Building Renewal Projects

These are minor renewal projects needed in schools Districtwide to resolve a myriad of existing major maintenance issues for systems with useful lives exceeding 20 years. Sewer and storm water drainage improvements; upgrade of lock systems; window and door replacements; and various architectural surface replacements make up the bulk of this work. These projects will be completed at the following schools and facility:

Abbott Loop, Alpenglow, Baxter, Bear Valley, Birchwood ABC, Bowman, Campbell, Chinook, Chugiak, College Gate, Fire Lake, Government Hill, Homestead, Huffman, Klatt, Lake Otis, Mountain View, North Star, Nunaka Valley, O'Malley, Rabbit Creek, Ravenwood, Spring Hill, Ursa Major, Willow Crest Elementary Schools; Clark, Mears, Mirror Lake, Romig Middle Schools; Benson, Save, and Steller Secondary Schools; Charter School Center; Warehouse.

#### Districtwide Restroom Upgrades

The restrooms in all school facilities receive heavy usage during the school year. Periodically it is necessary to repair flooring, replace partitions, and change out fixtures. This is an ongoing renewal effort. Restrooms will be upgraded at the following schools:

Abbott Loop, Baxter, Bayshore, Bear Valley, Birchwood ABC, Campbell, Chugiak, Eagle River, Fire Lake, Homestead, Huffman, Klatt, Lake Otis, North Star, O'Malley, Spring Hill Elementary Schools; Romig Middle School; Benson and Save Secondary Schools.

#### Districtwide Traffic Safety Upgrades

Projects to upgrade traffic safety for students, staff, and visitors are needed in several schools. These include projects to separate bus loading from public traffic, installation of sidewalks and walking paths, and upgrade of bus loading areas. Projects at the following schools are included:

Birchwood ABC, Chinook, Gladys Wood, Kasuun, Ptarmigan, Willow Crest Elementary Schools; Northern Lights ABC and Girdwood K-8 Schools; Romig Middle School.

The projects for Chinook, Northern Lights ABC, Ptarmigan and Romig include additional funding to support the improvement efforts initiated in the 2002 Bond.

#### Security Upgrades- Locks- Phase I

This project will replace door hardware in classrooms and other areas along the corridors to allow the locking of doors from inside the rooms. Currently, teachers and staff cannot secure their classrooms or offices from within these spaces.

## Emergency Preparedness/Shelters

The District has completed a study on how best to prepare for future earthquakes or other disasters. This study concluded that the District should be prepared to operate many of the schools as shelters for a period of 72 hours after a natural disaster or other crisis. The funds requested will provide for boiler upgrades to allow multi-fuel capability at selected schools, portable generators, and improvements in other District support facilities to support the logistics required in the event of a crisis. This is the first phase of this project, which will be expanded to other sites in the coming years. Emergency preparedness/shelters will be established at the following schools:

Muldoon, Russian Jack, Scenic Park, Trailside, Willow Crest Elementary Schools; Girdwood K-8 Schools; Clark, Goldenvue, Gruening, Hanshew, Mears, Romig Middle Schools; Bartlett, Chugiak, Dimond, East, Service, West High Schools.

These schools will serve as emergency centers for the neighboring schools.

## Student Transportation

The District currently has a fleet of 114 school buses. The District has established a maximum age of 12 years and a fleet average age of 8 years for buses owned and operated by our contractor. Next year thirty-six of the buses in the District fleet will be more than 12 years old.

The District will increase the size of the fleet by 20 buses for the 2003-04 school year. We will accomplish this by retaining the buses scheduled for replacement in 2002-03 and 2003-04 through the end of the 2003-04 school year. The 20 extra buses will be used to transport Wendler Middle School students to Dimond during the 2003-04 school year.

The new buses will replace 1988 and 1989 model buses. The average mileage of the buses is expected to be approximately 160,000 miles when they are declared surplus in 2004.

Newer buses have larger capacity (81 vs. 72 passenger). Newer buses are equipped with electronic fuel management systems and electronically controlled transmissions, which means that they are more fuel-efficient and produce less pollution than the older buses that they will replace. New buses are also equipped with air ride suspensions and air brakes, which help to reduce maintenance costs.

The District has had difficulty maintaining a regular replacement schedule over the years due to budget shortfalls and because the cost of buses was not fully reimbursed by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development. School buses are now eligible for 100 percent reimbursement from the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development. The purchase price is reimbursed over a seven-year period.

## Site Selection and Acquisition

The District has not done an overall assessment of its future school site needs in over 20 years. With the increased pace of development in Anchorage, it is prudent to identify future school site needs and acquire the sites prior to the need. Also, with the diminishing number of large parcels of land in the Anchorage Bowl, the District needs to acquire property while it is still available as vacant land.

1 Some of the future school projects that may require sites include Chugiak/Eagle River Area  
2 and Southwest Anchorage Area Elementary School sites, ABC School site, and Goldenview  
3 area.  
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#### 5 Administrative and Training Facility 6

7 Administrative functions are currently housed in 11 locations throughout Anchorage. The  
8 proposed Administrative and Training Facility is intended to collocate administrative  
9 functions currently housed at 9 locations in 120,000 gross square feet. The District leases 5  
10 of the 9 locations. These leases are paid out of the District's General Fund budget, and they  
11 expire in June 2005. However, limited extensions have been negotiated, should they be  
12 required. To continue to lease such facilities over the next 25 years would cost \$51.2 million  
13 in "lifetime costs". "Lifetime costs" for a facility built on city-owned land would be  
14 equivalent to those of the leased facilities. However, at the end of the 25 years, the District  
15 would again face significant costs to find new quarters, if it continues to lease rather than  
16 build its own facility. The District has requested 60 percent debt retirement from the State  
17 for this project, which further enhances the economic justification for building at this time.  
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19 The proposed Administrative and Training Facility includes a conference and training center,  
20 expansion capability for underserved current needs and possible future growth, and  
21 encompasses approximately 160,000 gross square feet on 11 to 14 acres.  
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#### 23 Bartlett High School Renovation Phase 2 Construction 24

25 Phased funding over time will bring the school up to current District Educational  
26 Specifications by establishing Core Academic Areas supported by major educational  
27 components. By funding the construction portion of Phase 2 this year, the overall project can  
28 continue on its planned completion schedule.  
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30 Built in the early 70's as a junior and senior high school each with separate entries, this  
31 project will unite the school by re-directing the Main Entry into the school's heart, "Main  
32 Place." This phase will modify the Administration Area and "Main Place;" upgrade central  
33 core mechanical and electrical systems for expansion to future phases; replace the Little  
34 Theater with a 600-seat Theater; provide new Science Labs and Core Academic Classrooms  
35 in the central area.  
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#### 37 Chester Valley Elementary School Design 38

39 Chester Valley Elementary School was constructed in 1964, with a classroom and  
40 multipurpose room addition constructed in 1967. This school is approaching 40 years of age.  
41 This project is a major renovation of the existing building plus a minor addition for a gym,  
42 administrative space and the enclosure of two existing entry areas into classrooms.  
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44 The building renovation to be designed will upgrade building systems to meet functionality  
45 and code requirements. Many systems are beyond their useful life. Some are not energy  
46 efficient. Fire safety will be addressed with the installation of a required sprinkler system.  
47 Seismic upgrades to building systems and components are incorporated. The abatement of  
48 hazardous materials is included. Site improvements are needed to facilitate student drop off  
49 and pick up zones, improve site drainage, provide for some playground upgrades with ADA  
50 access plus providing additional parking and landscaping to meet municipal requirements.  
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1 Chugach Optional School Construction

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3 This facility is approximately 30 years old, and it has building systems that need upgrading  
4 and educational spaces that do not conform to current educational needs. This project will  
5 provide construction funding for appropriate renovations to the school. The existing open  
6 school concept will be reconfigured to add a kindergarten room, special education and  
7 student support spaces. The site will be improved and building systems upgraded and/or  
8 replaced to support school program improvements.  
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10 New Eagle River Area High School Construction

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12 This project will provide for the construction of a new Eagle River Area High School, on  
13 the Hiland Mountain site in Eagle River. This school will eliminate the overcrowding at  
14 Chugiak High School. The facility will be built to initially house 800 students, with  
15 infrastructure to support 1,600 students. The Dimond High School design is being used as  
16 a template for the design of this school, with modifications to an 800-student level.  
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18 In developing the program for this new school, there may be included some alternative  
19 programs, such as school within a school, technology-based career courses from King  
20 Career Center, Save or other programs that are not currently available in the Chugiak/Eagle  
21 River area.  
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23 East High School Phase 3 Construction and Phase 4 Design

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25 Funds in this bond will continue the project of bringing the school up to current Districtwide  
26 High School Educational Specifications by establishing academic areas supported by major  
27 educational components. This portion of the work will incorporate the following:  
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29 Phase 3 Construction: This phase will include a 700-seat auditorium/theatre, an upgrade to  
30 the performing arts, life skills and home economic classrooms, and upgrade of student  
31 parking and south entry.  
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33 Phase 4 Design: This phase will renovate the old performing arts area for the permanent  
34 location of the library and will complete the south classroom wing.  
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36 Polaris K-12 School Construction

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38 This project will provide for renovation and additions to the school, including the addition of  
39 a gymnasium and classrooms. It will also include code upgrades and functional  
40 improvements in the existing spaces, as well as improvements to the site. The Polaris K-12  
41 program has functioned in a marginally functional facility since its inception in 1994, and it is  
42 appropriate to upgrade the facility to incorporate some of the features that other elementary,  
43 middle and high schools experience.  
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45 Sand Lake Elementary School Design

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47 Sand Lake Elementary School was constructed in 1958. It has several building systems that  
48 need upgrading, including mechanical, electrical, communications, and fire suppression.  
49 Initial planning for this project has begun this fall. This project will renovate the major  
50 systems in the facility and refurbish the surfaces. In addition, the program spaces will be

1 reviewed to determine any upgrades required or modifications needed to meet current  
2 educational specifications or overcapacity issues.

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4 Service High School Phase 2A Deferred Inflation, Phase 2B Design, Phases 3 and 4  
5 Preliminary Design  
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7 Included in this request is \$360,000 for inflation for a one year delay in construction of Phase  
8 2A. The schedule for constructing this phase has been pushed back one year, to allow  
9 completion of the New South Anchorage Area High School. By moving this schedule back  
10 one year, a portion of the Service student population may be relocated there, reducing the  
11 need for additional relocatable units at Service and freeing up more area for construction that  
12 will not have impact on the educational process.

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14 Phase 2B will redevelop and expand Building D (both floors) to provide two – 500 student  
15 houses and will re-grade the courtyard to correct the drainage and to provide lower floor day-  
16 lighting.

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18 Phases 3 and 4 will demolish the existing Administration Area and construct a new IMC  
19 (Library); renovate the existing business, foreign language and social studies wing into a new  
20 Administrative Area; construct a new cafeteria/commons area; renovate existing space into a  
21 600 seat auditorium; renovate gym facilities; complete new bus loading areas; upgrade sports  
22 fields. The preliminary design funding for Phases 3 and 4 included in this bond proposal will  
23 allow for schematic plan development of the completion of the Service renewal project. This  
24 design effort will have the benefit of work completed to date, and will allow an update to the  
25 scheduling and process of delivering the elements identified in the master plan.

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28 The information that has been provided in this memorandum should assist the Assembly in  
29 making decisions regarding placing the recommended bond propositions on the ballot for the  
30 April 1, 2003 Municipal Election.

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32 Respectfully submitted,

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34 Carol Comeau  
35 Superintendent  
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39 Attachments

AP 2003-10

1		SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT <b>AO 2003-10 An Ordinance Providing For The Submission To The Qualified Voters Of Anchorage, Alaska, The Question Of The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$42,000,000 Of General Obligation Bonds Of The Municipality Of Anchorage To Pay The Costs Of</b>		DATE PREPARED January 20, 2003	
2		DEPARTMENT NAME <b>Chief Financial Officer</b>		Indicate Documents Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AO <input type="checkbox"/> AR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> AIM	
3		THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY <b>Wholforth, Vassar, Johnson &amp; Brecht</b>		DIRECTOR'S NAME <b>Janet Stokesbary</b> HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER <b>(907) 742-4369</b>	
4		<b>COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY</b>		<b>INITIALS</b>	
4		<b>DATE</b>			
4		<b>Mayor</b>			
4		Heritage Land Bank			
4		Merrill Field Airport			
4		Municipal Light & Power			
4		Port of Anchorage			
4		Solid Waste Services			
4		Water & Wastewater Utility			
4		<b>Municipal Manager</b>			
4		Cultural & Recreational Services			
4		Employee Relations			
4		Finance, Chief Fiscal Officer			
4		Fire			
4		Health & Human Services			
4		Office of Management and Budget			
4		Management Information Services			
4		Police			
4		Planning, Development & Public Works			
4		Development Services			
4		Facility Management			
4		Planning			
4		Project Management & Engineering			
4		Street Maintenance			
4		Traffic			
4		Public Transportation Department			
4		Purchasing			
4		<b>Municipal Attorney</b>			
4		<b>Municipal Clerk</b>			
4		<b>Other</b>			
4		Carol Comeau, Superintendent		January 20, 2003	
4		Janet Stokesbary, Chief Financial Officer		January 20, 2003	
5		<b>Special Instructions/Comments</b>			
5		<i>Introduction</i>			
6		ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED January 28, 2003		PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED February 11, 2003	

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