

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR NO. 2003-141

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING A
NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROJECT FOR MOUNTAIN VIEW, A
RENAISSANCE ZONE NEIGHBORHOOD

WHEREAS, the neighborhood of Mountain View is one of Anchorage's oldest, most distressed and economically disadvantaged communities with high mobility in the schools and housing, a deteriorating Commercial District, high crime, with a large segment of its population living in poverty; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain View Community Council, in partnership with local businesses, nonprofit and arts organizations, and the Municipality of Anchorage supports the redevelopment of the Commercial District and surrounding area into an Arts and Cultural District; and

WHEREAS, a Mountain View Arts and Cultural District is a public and private sector partnership that promotes private sector development; and

WHEREAS, Mountain View has been designated as a Neighborhood Center in the Anchorage 2020 Comprehensive Plan and the Northway Town Center Plan, and the proposed redevelopment meets the goals in addressing blighted areas, commercial revitalization, and in-fill of vacant properties; and

WHEREAS, Mountain View is located within the municipally-designated Renaissance Zone; and

WHEREAS, the arts can be a catalyst for community change through the affordable development of living/work space for artists, arts businesses, education and youth partnerships, public arts projects, and other strategies; and

WHEREAS, there are several key organizations that have committed to moving to the District and have secured land and commercial buildings that will provide new jobs and economic vitality to the District and encourage future redevelopment of the area; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage Community Development Division is currently an untimely Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grantee and must disburse over \$3.6 million in Federal CDBG funds between now and November 2, 2003 to meet the HUD timeliness standard or face a reduction of FY04 CDBG funds; and

WHEREAS, a portion of that \$3.6 million in Federal funds could provide an immediate economic stimulus to the revitalization efforts in the Mountain View neighborhood; and

1 WHEREAS, the proposed projects for the Arts and Cultural District in Mountain View
2 conform to HUD CDBG regulations governing eligible CDBG activities; and
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4 WHEREAS, the Arts and Cultural District projects comply with the HUD criteria for
5 national objectives as they benefit low and moderate-income persons living in the Mountain
6 View neighborhood and aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; and
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8 WHEREAS, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly wishes to acknowledge the
9 advisory role of the HAND Commission in this process, the immediacy of the spend-down
10 period, and the broad base support.
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12 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves:
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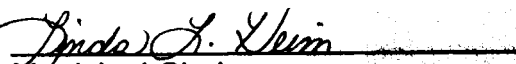
14 **Section 1:** That the Assembly supports the concept and approves the development
15 of the Arts and Cultural District in Mountain View.
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17 **Section 2:** That the Assembly requests all units of Municipal government to
18 cooperate with and participate in this worthy Project and authorizes Municipal agents,
19 officers, and employees to take action to support the development of the Arts and Cultural
20 District in Mountain View.
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22 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 13th day of
23 May, 2003.
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27 Chair
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29 ATTEST:
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34 Municipal Clerk
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1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT	DATE PREPARED
	A Resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly Supporting a Neighborhood Revitalization Project for Mountain View, a Renaissance Zone Neighborhood	M.O.A. 12-May-2003 MAY 12 PM 12:10 <input type="checkbox"/> AO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AR <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> AIM
2	DEPARTMENT NAME	DIRECTOR'S NAME
	Assembly	Dick Traini
3	THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY	HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER
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	Heritage Land Bank	
	Merrill Field Airport	
	Municipal Light & Power	
	Port of Anchorage	
	Solid Waste Services	
	Water & Wastewater Utility	
	Municipal Manager	
	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	
	Municipal Attorney	
	Municipal Clerk	
	Other	
5	Special Instructions/Comments	
	<i>Addendum - Dates</i>	
6	ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED	7 PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED
	5/12/03	