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A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO PROCEED WITH PREPARATION OF THE WEST ANCHORAGE DISTRICT AND SAND LAKE DISTRICT PLANS CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES AND GOALS OF THE ANCHORAGE 2020 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

WHEREAS, Anchorage 2020/Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan, AO 2000-119(S) adopted on February 20, 2001, concluded a five year public review process and stands as a blueprint for policy and implementation directives to guide future land use decisions and implement strategies for development in the Anchorage Bowl over the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the stated goal of the *Anchorage 2020 Plan* is to "help us make Anchorage one of the most attractive cities in the world with safe, clean neighborhoods, a first-class education system, and a wide variety of economic, cultural and recreational opportunities"; and

WHEREAS, the broad consensus of the community was that significant land use policy changes are desirable, and toward that end, Land Use Policy #28 created the West Anchorage Planning Area to serve as a planning district to work collaboratively with "the State, the Municipality, and the community" to identify, address, and resolve impacts to neighborhoods, public infrastructure, and the environment through the essential strategy of a "West Anchorage District Plan" and "Neighborhood Project Team"; and

WHEREAS, West Anchorage and Sand Lake District Areas, as shown on the southwest subarea of the Growth Allocation Map of the 2020 Plan, are experiencing substantial residential and commercial growth with complex and important relationships to consider between land use, economic vitality, quality neighborhoods, and transportation; and

WHEREAS, decisions on land use policy, standards for new development, and investment in capital improvements will have major economic, social, and fiscal ramifications for the quality of life in Anchorage in the years ahead.

 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anchorage Assembly authorizes the Administration to proceed with the West Anchorage District Plan and the Sand Lake District Plan as a commitment toward fulfillment of the purposes and goals of the *Anchorage 2020/Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan*. In connection with preparation and approval of a 2005 general government operating budget, the Administration shall program activities and propose a means of funding the West Anchorage District and Sand Lake District Plans authorized under this resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 13th day of April, 2004.

 ATTEST:

Balan & Buunds Municipal Clerk

