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Submitted by: Assemblymember BAUER Prepared by: Department of Assembly

For reading: August 9, 2005

## ANCHORAGE, ALASKA No. AO 2005–<sup>100</sup>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 9.38, BICYCLE REGISTRATION, AND REQUIRING THE ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP AND ADMINISTER THE BICYCLE REGISTRATION PROGRAM.

#### THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS THAT:

Section 1: Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.38.110 is amended to read as follows:

## 9.38.110 Registration [LICENSE] required.

No person who resides within the municipality may ride or propel a bicycle on any street, or upon any public path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles, unless such bicycle has been registered [LICENSED AND A LICENSE PLATE IS ATTACHED THERETO] as provided in this chapter or has a valid current registration from another jurisdiction.

**Section 2:** Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.38.120 is amended to read as follows:

## 9.38.120 Application for <u>registration</u> [LICENSE].

- A. Registration [APPLICATION] for a bicycle decal [LICENSE AND LICENSE PLATE] shall be made upon a form provided by the municipality and shall be made to a designated municipal registry administered by a crime prevention program authorized by [TO] the Chief of Police.
- B. All bicycles in the municipality shall be registered as of January 1, 2006. Any bicycle that changes ownership through a sale, transfer or trade shall be registered by the owner with the authorized bicycle registry agent of the Anchorage Police Department or a bicycle dealer under the provisions of section 9.38.180 of this chapter.
- C. A registration [LICENSE] fee of no greater than \$10.00 per individual bike or \$25.00 per family [\$1.00] shall be paid to the municipality or its agent before a registration decal [THE LICENSE] is issued [GRANTED].

**Section 3:** Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.38.130 is amended to read as follows:

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## 9.38.130 Issuance of registration decal [LICENSE].

- A. The Chief of Police <u>or designee</u>, upon receiving proper application, including make, model, color, serial number, frame size, number of gears, owner name and address, shall [THEREFOR, IS AUTHORIZED TO] issue a <u>serially numbered decal that shall be affixed to the bicycle frame so that</u> it is plainly visible [BICYCLE LICENSE].
- B. The Chief of Police <u>or designee</u> shall not issue a <u>registration decal</u> [LICENSE] for any bicycle when <u>there is</u> [HE KNOWS OR HAS] reasonable ground to believe that the applicant is not the owner of or entitled to the possession of such bicycle.
- C. The Chief of Police <u>or designee</u> shall keep a record of the number of each <u>decal</u> [LICENSE], the date issued, the name and address of the person to whom issued, [AND] the number on the frame of the bicycle for which issued, and a record of all bicycle fees collected [BY HIM].

**Section 4:** Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.38.140 is amended to read as follows:

## 9.38.140 Attachment of <u>registration tag</u> [LICENSE PLATE].

- A. Upon registration of a bicycle by the municipality or its designated agent, the owner shall securely affix the registration tag to the bicycle frame so that it is plainly visible. [THE CHIEF OF POLICE, UPON ISSUING A BICYCLE LICENSE, SHALL ALSO ISSUE A LICENSE PLATE BEARING THE LICENSE NUMBER ASSIGNED TO THE BICYCLE AND THE NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY.]
- B. In case of theft, loss, or destruction of a decal, the bicycle owner shall make application for a new or duplicate decal to the Chief of Police or designee. [THE CHIEF OF POLICE SHALL CAUSE SUCH LICENSE PLATE TO BE FIRMLY ATTACHED TO THE FRAME OF THE BICYCLE FOR WHICH ISSUED IN SUCH POSITION AS TO BE PLAINLY VISIBLE.]
- C. No person may remove a <u>registration decal</u> [LICENSE PLATE] from a bicycle for which issued.

Section 5: Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.38.150 is repealed.

## 9.38.150 [INSPECTION PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF LICENSE.]

[THE CHIEF OF POLICE, OR AN OFFICER ASSIGNED SUCH RESPONSIBILITY, SHALL INSPECT EACH BICYCLE BEFORE LICENSING

THE BICYCLE AND SHALL REFUSE A LICENSE FOR ANY BICYCLE WHICH HE DETERMINES IS IN UNSAFE MECHANICAL CONDITION.]

**Section 6:** Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.38.160 is amended to read as follows:

# 9.38.160 Re-registration on transfer of ownership <u>or change of address</u>.

- A. Upon the sale or other transfer of a <u>registered</u> [LICENSED] bicycle, the <u>new owner</u> [TRANSFEREE] shall, within <u>thirty</u> [TEN] days of the date of transfer, register the bicycle in the <u>new owner's name</u> [NAME OF THE TRANSFEREE] <u>with the Chief of Police or designee</u>. The <u>municipal registration shall indicate from whom the bicycle was acquired and the transfer fee shall be \$10.00 [\$1.00].</u>
- B. Upon change of address, the bicycle owner shall notify the Chief of Police or designee within thirty days.

**Section 7:** Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.38.170 is amended to read as follows:

# 9.38.170 Applicability of requirements to rented bicycles.

A rental agency may not rent or offer any bicycle for rent unless the bicycle is registered [LICENSED] and a decal [LICENSE PLATE] is attached thereto as provided in this chapter and such bicycle is in safe mechanical condition and properly equipped as [WITH THE LAMPS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT] required by this chapter.

**Section 8:** Anchorage Municipal Code section 9.38.180 is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

# 9.38.180 <u>Bicycle dealers.</u> [--REPORT REQUIRED. (REPEALED)]

- A. Point of sale registration. All new bicycles purchased through a bicycle dealer or retail business after January 1, 2006, shall be registered at the time of sale on a municipal registration form that includes a duplicate copy for the purchaser.
- B. The completed registration form and fee for a new bicycle shall be forwarded to the authorized bicycle registry agent of the Anchorage Police Department within three (3) days of the date of sale.
- C. The bicycle dealer or retail business shall remit to the municipal registry agent ten (10) percent of the registration fee.

D. The bicycle dealer shall maintain a record of registered bicycle sales for a period of 5 years, subject to municipal audit. The municipality shall provide a form to include the serial number of each decal, date of sale, name and address of person to whom issued, number on the frame of the bicycle, and the fee collected.

**Section 9:** Anchorage Municipal Code section 9.38.190 is amended to read as follows:

# 9.38.190 Alteration or mutilation of serial number or registration.

It is unlawful for any person to willfully or maliciously remove, destroy, mutilate or alter the number of any bicycle frame registered [LICENSED] pursuant to this section. [IT IS ALSO UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO REMOVE, DESTROY, MUTILATE OR ALTER ANY LICENSE PLATE, SEAL OR REGISTRATION CARD DURING THE TIME IN WHICH SUCH LICENSE PLATE, SEAL OR REGISTRATION CARD IS OPERATIVE, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT N] Nothing in this section shall prohibit the police department from stamping numbers on the frames of bicycles on which no serial number can be found, or on which the number is illegible or insufficient for identification purposes.

**Section 10:** The Anchorage Police Department and their designated agent shall develop all forms and electronic processes for administration of the bicycle registration program. The program shall be presented to the Assembly for approval no later than 90 days after passage and approval of this ordinance.

Section 11: The bicycle registration provisions of this ordinance shall become on January 1, 2006.

Section 12: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

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# **MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**

### **ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM**

**No.** AM 608 -2005

Meeting Date: August 23, 2005

From: Assemblymember Bauer

Subject: SUMMARY OF ECONOMIC EFFECTS FOR AO 2005-100, AN

ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RELATING

TO THE LICENSING OF BICYCLES.

Attached to this memo is the Summary of Economic Effects for AO 2005-100, amending AMC 9.38 regarding licensing of bicycles and the creation of a bike registry program.

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Reviewed By: Elvi Gray-Jackson, Director of Assembly Budget and Legislative Services

Submitted By: Assemblymember Bauer

# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE Summary of Economic Effects -- General Government

AO Number: 2005-100

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE **Title**: MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 9.38,BICYCLE REGISTRATION, AND REQUIRING
THE ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP AND ADMINISTER
THE BICYCLE REGISTRATION PROGRAM.

Sponsor: Assemblymember Bauer
Preparing Agency: Department of Assembly
Others Impacted: Anchorage Police Department

CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES:				(In Thousands of Dollars)						
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#### **PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

There will be some costs associated with development of a bicycle registration program including production and distribution of forms and decals as well as maintenance of a registration database. The Anchorage Police Department estimated the total cost to set up an MOA-maintained, web-enabled bike registry at just over \$70,000. The registration program will also produce some revenue. It has been estimated that somewhere around fourteen thousand bicycles are sold in the Municipality of Anchorage every year. If each buyer paid the \$10 registration fee, the Municipality's 90% share of the revenue would be \$126,000.

#### PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:

It is intended that bicycle retailers will receive \$1 per bike sold or 10% of the registration fee. If the retailer will be expected to mail the completed registration forms, then the cost will vary depending on how many forms they are able to mail at once. Administrative costs to retailers will also depend on hourly wages paid to employees and how much time employees have to spend dealing with the registration forms. In any event, at \$1 per bicycle sold in Anchorage, the total city-wide benefit to retailers is estimated at \$14,000.

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SUMMARY OF ECONOMIC EFFECTS FOR AO 2005-100, AN

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**RELATING TO THE LICENSING OF BICYCLES** 

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Initiating Dept: Assembly

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## MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

### **ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM**

**No.** AM 550 -2005

Meeting Date: August 9, 2005

From: Assemblymember Bauer

Subject: BICYCLE REGISTRATION BY ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

THROUGH A DESIGNATED CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM

The primary purpose of a bicycle registration program is for public safety – prevention of crime and recovery of stolen bicycles. Bicycle theft is a rapidly increasing property crime that targets all age groups, but severely impacts those who use their bicycles for commuting, students, youngsters, casual and serious recreational and sport riders. Though it may appear that a theft is good for the bicycle industry because another bicycle has to be purchased, overall spending is actually lowered due to the risk factor. Bicycle theft deters cyclists from purchasing high quality new bikes which have a higher resale value for thieves. For those who insure their bikes, effective registration can reduce insurance industry costs if a bike can be recovered. Registration decals that are securely adhered to bicycles also serve to deter casual thieves from pawning or selling them. Police investigation of crimes or accidents, especially involving children who generally carry no identification, would be hastened if bikes and owners could be connected.

Bicycles that are successfully recovered by the Police Department are rarely returned to their owners and most are sold through auction. The current outdated scheme of licensing and issuance of license plates is burdensome and expensive and has not been enforced for many years. Currently, APD recommends registering with the National Bike Registry. AO 2005—100 would replace licensing with a simple registration and decal scheme that requires that the Anchorage Police Department work with a crime prevention program, such as Neighborhood Crime Watch, to develop a computerized database, registration and fee payment forms, and issue serially numbered decals. Registration of new bikes would be made at the time of sale with the retailer retaining a portion of the fee for administrative handling. Many cities have successfully accomplished registration on-line through their city websites (see Denver, Madison, Boise). Under this ordinance, bicycle owners would need to register by January 1, 2006. As a large percentage of new bicycles are purchased before the holiday season, registration would be straightforwardly accomplished at the time of sale when all the necessary information is on hand—make, model, serial number, color, etc.

It is recommended that AO  $2005-\underline{100}$  be approved in order to improve the recovery rate for stolen bicycles and aid police in the investigation of crime,

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Respectfully submitted: Paul Bauer, Assemblymember

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 9.38, BICYCLE

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REGISTRATION PROGRAM.

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