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Submitted by: ASSEMBLY MEMBER Tesche

Prepared by: Assembly Counsel For reading: October 10, 2006

### ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AO NO. 2006-139

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY DESIGNATING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY UNDER CHAPTER 12.35 AND AS 29.45.050 AS A DETERIORATED AREA LOCATED IN EAST ADDITION SUBDIVISION BLOCK 37, LOTS 1 OF ACRE LT 2, 2 OF ACRE LT 2, 3, 4 S16', 4 N2, 5, 6 S2 OF ACRE LT 2, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12 N33', 12 S16', 13 OF ACRE LT 2, 14 OF ACRE LT 2, 15 OF ACRE LT 2, 16 OF ACRE LT 2, 17, 18 OF ACRE LT 2 AND 19 AND BLOCK 37B, LOTS TR A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 6B, 9, 10, 11A, 13A, 13B, 15A, 15B AND 16, AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH PROPERTY SHALL BE PARTIALLY EXEMPT FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXES AND QUALIFIES FOR DEFERRAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAXES AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

WHEREAS, AMC 12.35.010 and AS 29.45.050(o) provide for an exemption from and deferral of property taxes for real property located in a deteriorated area whose boundaries shall be determined by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the deteriorated and unsightly properties and the surrounding area are overgrown and dilapidated, are not being used in an economically and socially desirable manner, and constitute a blight on the east side of the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, a detailed proposal to replat the area for housing and mixed use in order to renovate the area for residential condominiums and appropriate office space will be presented to the assembly; and

WHEREAS, redevelopment of the property, particularly for higher density residential and mixed commercial uses, fulfills goals of the 2020 ANCHORAGE BOWL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN and the proposed DOWNTOWN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; and

WHEREAS, without tax exemption for 10 years and deferred taxes for 5 years, for a total of 15 years, this project cannot proceed; and

WHEREAS, abating and deferring taxes in the area appears to have the greatest chance of renewing the area at the least cost to municipal taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, by designating the area as a deteriorated area, the Assembly will facilitate an application to the Chief Fiscal Officer for tax abatement and deferral;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

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<u>Section 1.</u> The area legally described below, as shown on the map attached to the Assembly Memorandum, is hereby designated as a deteriorated area.

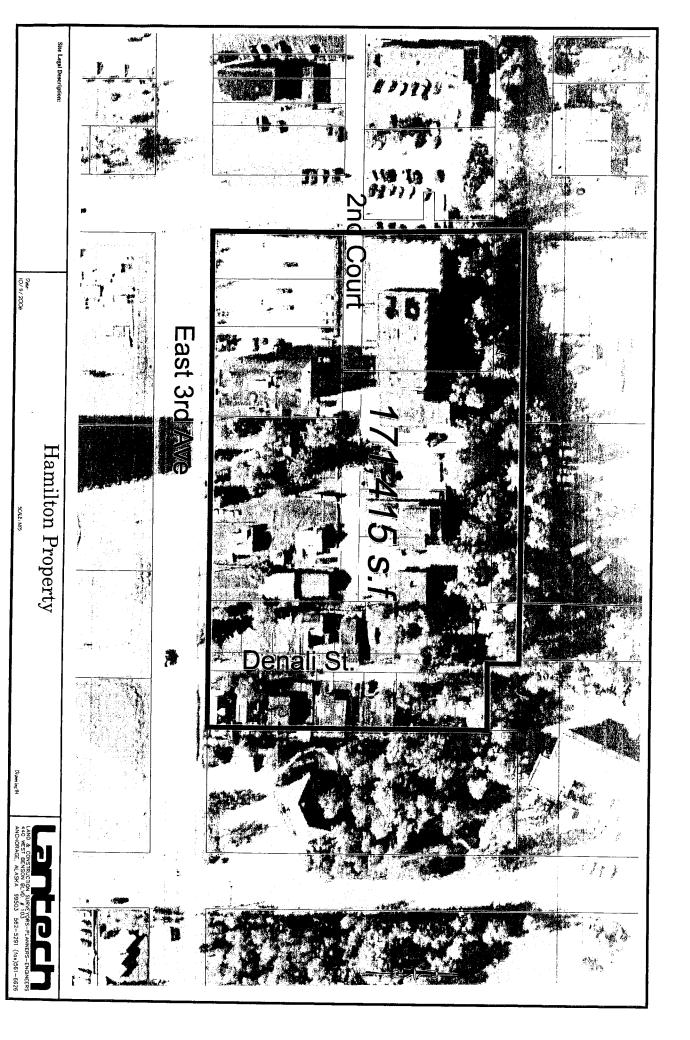
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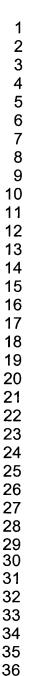
<u>Section 2.</u> The property described in Section 1 shall be exempt from real property taxes levied by the Municipality of Anchorage under AMC 12.15 for a period of time not to exceed ten years, and payment of real property taxes shall be deferred for an additional period of not to exceed five years, subject to a resolution approved by the Assembly setting forth the specific terms and conditions of such exemption and deferral, together with the effective dates thereof.

<u>Section 3.</u> This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval by the Assembly.

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## **MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**

## ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM NO. AM 752-2006

Meeting Date: October 10, 2006

From: Assemblymember Tesche

Subject: AO 2006-139 - An Ordinance Designating Certain Real Property

Under Chapter 12.35 and AS 29.45.050 as a Deteriorated Area Located In East Addition Subdivision, and Providing That Such Property Shall Be Partially Exempt From Real Property Taxes and

**Qualifies For Deferral Of Municipal Property Taxes.** 

For introduction is AO 2006-139, designating certain real property as a "deteriorated area" under Anchorage Municipal Code Chapter 12.35 and state law under AS 29.45.050. The property is in East Addition Subdivision Block 37 and consists of approximately 170,000 square feet. The property is shown on a map attached and is located on Third Avenue between Cordova Street and the Pioneer School House.

This ordinance will facilitate the redevelopment of a deteriorated area in the northeast area of downtown Anchorage by providing owners the opportunity to apply for property tax incentives that will help overcome the high cost of construction and redevelopment. Passage of the ordinance does not, however, create any immediate tax relief; it only enables owners to submit a detailed financial proposal for tax exemptions and deferrals to the Municipality's Chief Fiscal Officer. The specific terms and conditions of any tax deferral or exemption granted to the subject property must be approved by subsequent resolution of the Assembly.

Redevelopment of the property through utilization of existing real property tax incentives is consistent with the May 2006 DRAFT ANCHORAGE DOWNTOWN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. The DRAFT PLAN recommends this type of incentive to create housing through redevelopment of deteriorated areas in older neighborhoods. Redevelopment of Block 37 will include three towers of 10 to 15 stories each, some 450 market-rate, affordable rental units, street-level retail space, and dining and entertainment venues.

Enactment of AO 2006-139 is recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan Tesche
Assemblymember, Section 1

# Municipality of Anchorage MUNICIPAL CLERK'S OFFICE

### **Agenda Document Control Sheet**

AO 2006-139

(SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION) DATE PREPARED SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT 1 DESIGNATION CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AS A 10/2/06 DETERIORATED AREA LOCATED IN EAST ADDITION SUBDIVISON BLOCK 37 ... Indicate Documents Attached x AO ☐ AR ☐ AM MIA DEPARTMENT NAME DIRECTOR'S NAME **2** Assembly Daniel A. Sullivan, Chairman THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER 3 Susan Lutz - Assembly Counsel's Office 343-4572 4 **COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY INITIALS DATE** Mayor **Municipal Clerk Municipal Attorney Employee Relations** Municipal Manager Anchorage Parks & Recreation Fire Health & Human Services Merrill Field Airport Municipal Light & Power Office of Management and Budget Police Port of Anchorage Office of Economic & Community Development Solid Waste Services **Public Transportation** Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility **Executive Manager** Planning Department Chief Fiscal Officer Heritage Land Bank Information Technology Department Project Management & Engineering Purchasing Other **Special Instructions/Comments** CONSENT AGENDA - INTRODUCTION ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED 10/10/06 PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED 10/31/06