Submitted by: Chairman of the Assembly at the

Request of the Mayor

Prepared by:

Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility

For reading: October 23, 2007

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## **ANCHORAGE, ALASKA** AO No. 2007-149

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 21.40.200 RELATED TO MOTORIZED SPORTS CONDITIONAL USES IN THE I-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) DISTRICT; AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 21.15 TO ALLOW THE ASSEMBLY TO WAIVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR TEMPORARY RECREATIONAL USES ON ANCHORAGE WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY, A PUBLIC CORPORATE AUTHORITY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE OWNED LAND SPECIFIC TO TRACT 4, INTERNATIONAL EAST SUBDIVISION, FOR MOTORIZED SPORTS USES.

## THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Upon request of the Administration, after following public hearing and review of the draft municipal land use permit to the Alaska Motor Musher's Club, a nonprofit organization, the Assembly waives, as to Tract 4, International East Subdivision only, the following Anchorage Municipal Code requirements for a one-time, temporary recreational use permit of municipal property for motorized sports, for the period commencing December 15, 2007 and ending on April 30, 2008:

- Α. Chapter 21.15 regarding procedure for obtaining a conditional use; and
- В. Section 21.50.310 regarding the standards for motorized sports conditional use; and
- C. Section 21.40.200D.10. requiring a 20 acre parcel for motorized sports and limiting snow machine engine sizes to 550 cc's.

The property is under the management authority of the Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility.

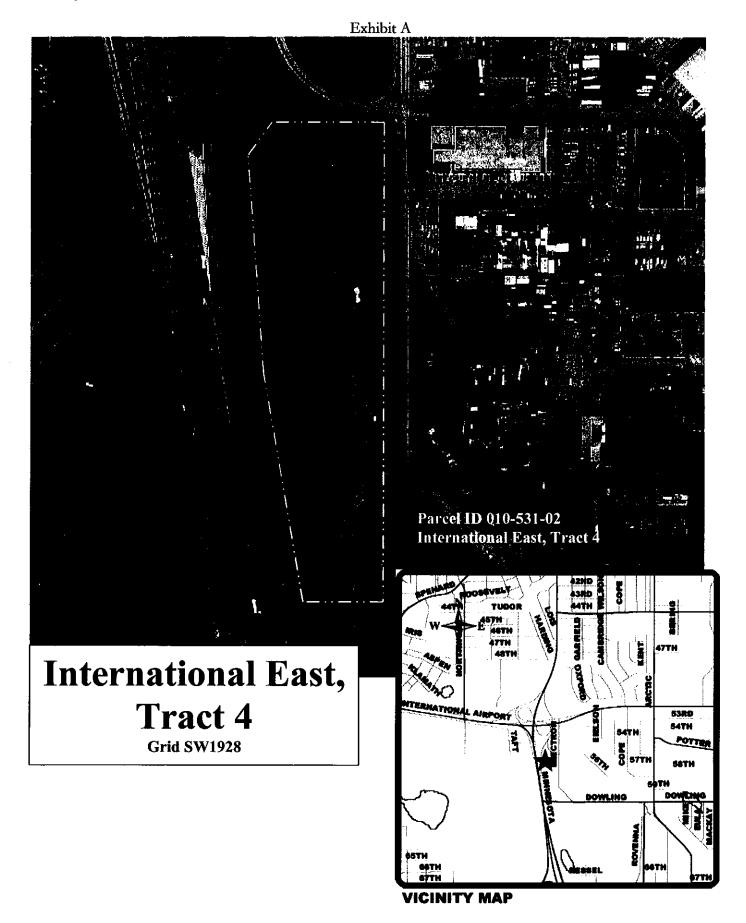
This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval Section 2. by the Anchorage Assembly and shall expire automatically on April 30, 2008.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this \_13th day of November , 2007.

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## **MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**

## ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 665-2007

Meeting Date: October 23, 2007

From:

Subject:

Mayor

An Ordinance Amending Anchorage Municipal Code (AMC) Section 21.40.200D.10 related to motorized sports conditional uses in the I-1 (Light Industrial) district; amending AMC Section 21.15 to allow the Assembly to waive conditional use permit requirements for temporary recreational uses on municipal owned land specific to Tract 4, International East Subdivision, for motorized sports uses.

The Alaska Motor Musher's Club (AMMC) has requested use of Tract 4, International East Subdivision, currently owned by AWWU and located in the I-1 zoning district, for temporary use for six snow machine events this winter. The AMMC used this site last year for their functions because their prior years site was being used for a construction staging area. The AMMC's main event anually is a snow machine race held in conjuction with the Fur Rendevous festival, and the precedeing events prepare the snow race track for the Fur Rendevous race. Unless a location is found to hold the six events, they will be cancelled.

The AMMC has attended meetings of the Taku/Campbell, Spenard, and Sand Lake community councils and received support for use of Tract 4, International East Subdivision for the winter's events. However, the property is in the I-1 zoning district and motorized sports events are a conditional use in this district and minimum required lot size is to be 20 acres. To comply with the AMC as currently written, the AMMC would need to obtain a variance and conditional use permit. These processes would take most of the winter to complete, and the costs are prohibitive to the non-profit AMMC. The administration supports a non-profit recreational use of land that is temporary in nature and held in conjunction with a seasonal festival. The attached ordinance makes amendments to the Code and will allow AMMC to use the property this winter.

THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE WAIVING AMC SECTION 21.40.200D.10 RELATED TO MOTORIZED SPORTS CONDITIONAL USES IN THE I-1 DISTRICT; AMENDING AMC SECTION 21.15 TO ALLOW THE ASSEMBLY TO WAIVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR TEMPORARY RECREATIONAL USES ON MUNICIPALLY OWNED LAND SPECIFIC TO TRACT 4, INTERNATIONAL EAST SUBDIVISION FOR MOTORIZED SPORTS USES.

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Recommended by: Mark Premo, P.E., General Manager, AWWU

Concur: Denis C. LeBlanc, Municipal Manager

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Mark Begich, Mayor