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A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR A JOINT WORK GROUP TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MANAGED COMPETITION IN THE DELIVERY OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES PRIOR TO ASSEMBLY CONSIDERATION OF THE FY 2011 GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATING BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the mission and function of municipal government is the effective and efficient delivery of necessary services to residents; and

WHEREAS, numerous choices exist in the methods and options for delivery of necessary services in the Municipality of Anchorage, including utilizing permanent employees, contractual employees, and outsourcing under public procurement; and

WHEREAS, continued increases in employee costs including health care, pension obligations and other costs that are in addition to a fixed hourly rate or salary, in turn, continue to result in budget increases and additional financial burden for municipal taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, third party organizations ("3PO's") can provide an effective means to deliver necessary services when the use of permanent municipal employees is not effective and efficient; and

WHEREAS, areas of potential use of third party organizations as effective management tools include, but are not limited to, trucking services, nursing services, food services, equipment repair, sign and light maintenance, street repair, painting, secretarial and administrative assistance, and many other service functions unrelated to critical lifesafety functions; and

WHEREAS, public sector-private sector partnerships and public sector-private sector competition in the provision of municipal services are encouraged as effective means to assist in containing costs, maximizing efficiencies, and reducing future fiscal impacts; and

WHEREAS, it is timely to promote the element of competition between the provision of necessary services delivered in established ways by municipal employees and the provision of necessary services delivered by third party organizations;