

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
**Intergovernmental Agreement for Coordinated
Transportation Planning Activities and
Implementation of Transportation Improvements**

**Between the
Municipality of Anchorage**

**and the
Native Village of Eklutna**

WHEREAS, the Native Village of Eklutna is a federally-recognized Alaska Native Tribe existing within the Municipality of Anchorage boundary, and is eligible to receive and expend federal money under the Indian Reservation Road program for planning and implementing transportation improvements on facilities used by their Tribal members, which may include facilities owned by the Municipality of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible for planning and programming federally funded transportation improvements through Federal Highway Administration funding programs within the MPO planning boundary, whose area includes the Native Village of Eklutna, and the policy board for the MPO is AMATS (Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions); and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, have promulgated regulations governing long-range transportation planning and project implementation which require MPOs and Tribes to coordinate with each other for long-range transportation planning and implementation, and transportation-related matters of importance to both parties, on a government-to-government basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Municipality of Anchorage and Native Village of Eklutna hereby agree to work together for their mutual benefit and for the furtherance of federal goals of continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive consideration, development and implementation of transportation and air quality plans and programs for intermodal transportation in the Municipality of Anchorage, including the Native Village of Eklutna and its members living throughout the Municipality of Anchorage.

Both parties agree to abide by these intents and purposes in good faith by providing the following:

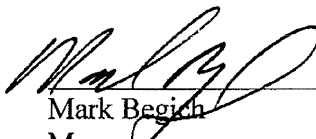
Municipality of Anchorage will


- Coordinate with Native Village of Eklutna (NVE) at both the Executive and staff levels on matters of mutual interest and concern for transportation planning, programming and implementation purposes, as they arise

- Together with NVE, develop and document a process for coordination of their respective Long-Range Transportation Plans and Transportation Improvement Programs, as well as for development and implementation of transportation projects
- Notify NVE of scheduled meetings of the MPO (AMATS) Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee, and invite them to attend
- Provide technical assistance and education to NVE of current MPO transportation planning, development and implementation practices
- Work with NVE to ensure required permissions to do projects on Municipal-owned roads are obtained, and to ensure that applicable federal/state/local construction and other standards are met, which may require separate agreements, including Subdivision Agreements, a Permit to Improve a Public Place, or Contracts, or other formal agreements.

Native Village of Eklutna will

- Coordinate with MOA at both the Executive and staff levels on matters of mutual interest and concern for transportation planning, programming and implementation purposes, as they arise
- Together with MOA, develop and document a process for coordination of their respective Long-Range Transportation Plans and Transportation Improvement Programs, as well as for implementation of transportation projects
- Designate a representative to attend and participate in noticed meetings of the MPO (AMATS) Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee
- Provide technical assistance and education to MPO of current BIA transportation planning, development and implementation practices
- Work with MOA, in accordance with tribal priorities and capacities, to ensure required permissions to do projects on Municipal-owned roads are obtained, and to ensure that applicable federal/state/local construction and other standards are met, which may require separate agreements, including Subdivision Agreements, a Permit to Improve a Public Place, or Contracts, or other formal agreements.

 4-25-07
 Mark Begich Date
 Mayor
 Municipality of Anchorage

 4-25-07
 Dorothy Cook Date
 Tribal Council President
 Native Village of Eklutna