

## 1984 Approved Budget



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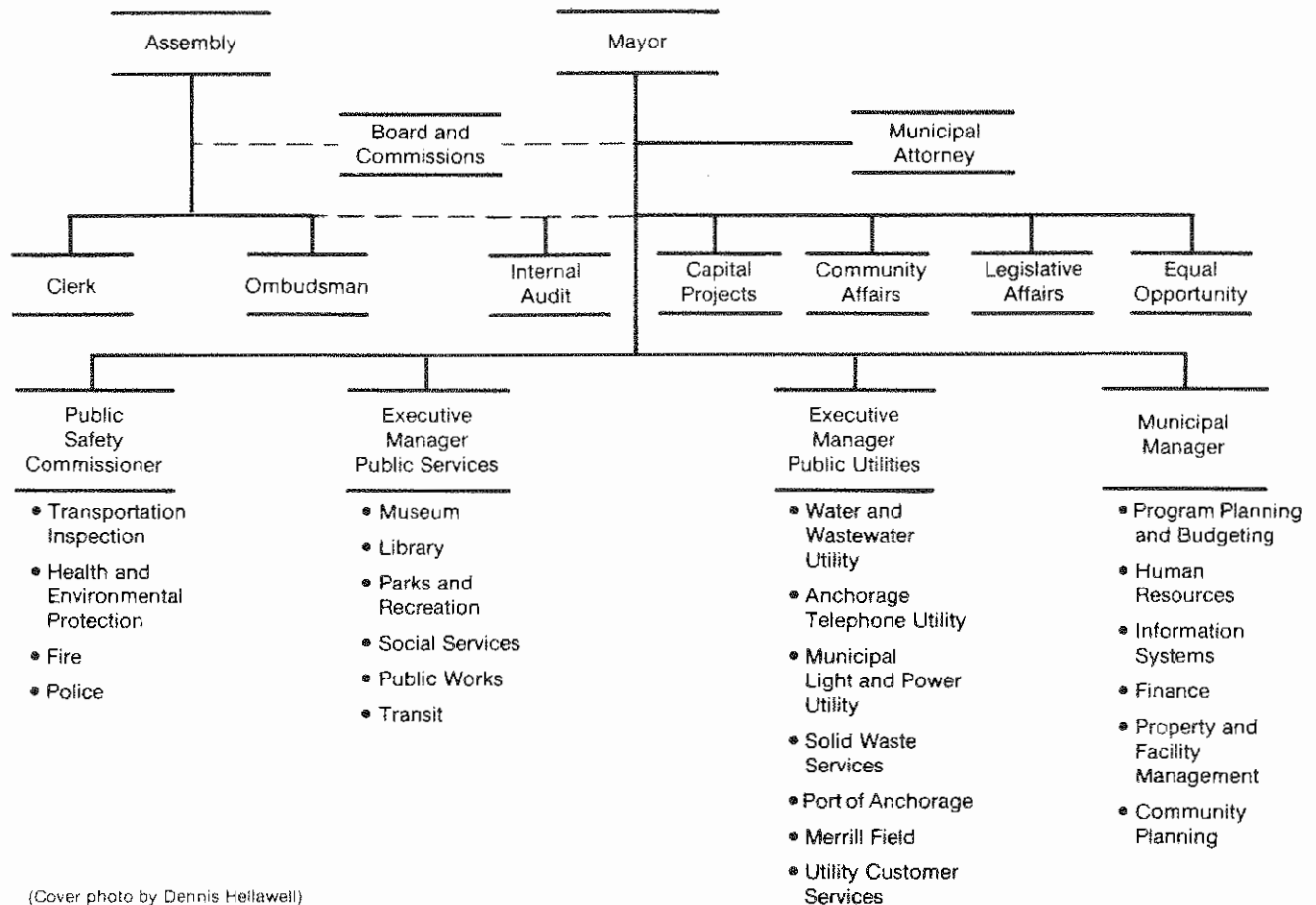
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## BUDGET PREFACE

The 1984 Approved Budget that is presented in this document represents a plan of programs and expenditure levels for the three major components of Municipal services: General Government Operations, Capital Improvements and Public Utilities. The budget passed by the Assembly on December 6, 1983 is just under \$500 million, with 36% programmed for general government operations and capital improvements and 64% for Public Utilities operations and capital improvements. Following are the major highlights of the 1984 budget program.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATING BUDGET

This is the first general government operating budget passed under Proposition 24 (Tax Limitation Charter Amendment). It represents a budget that is \$6 million less than 1983 funding levels. Difficult choices were made in determining the relative priorities and funding levels of the various programs offered by Municipal agencies. The programs funded in the 1984 Operating Budget still reflect a strong commitment to Public Safety and Transportation and traffic improvements. Major new programs proposed for 1984 include:

- Opening a new fire station in South Anchorage
- Implementation of a Pedestrian Safety Program
- Initial planning for the Vehicle Inspection Program which will commence in 1985
- Roads and drainage maintenance in South Anchorage
- Opening of several new facilities, including the new Museum wing, William A. Egan Civic and Convention Center, Spenard Recreation Center, Dempsey-Anderson Ice Rink

Specific program plans for each department can be found in the General Government Operating Budget section.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

The 1984 General Government Capital Improvement Budget is \$119 million and reflects a continued emphasis on "back to the basics" - the improvement, upgrade and replacement of basic community facilities and assets. It responds to the



highest priority needs in three key areas:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <u>Transportation</u>                         | Projects which contribute to a comprehensive, safe transportation system  |
| <u>Public Safety</u>                          | Equipment and facilities which provide effective and efficient police, fire and emergency medical capability, and animal control programs |
| <u>Neighborhood and Community Development</u> | A wide spectrum of projects which provide neighborhood or community-wide benefits, i.e., libraries, parks, trails, urban improvements     |

Individual project information and program costs for each of these areas can be found in the General Government Capital Budget section. Additional detailed information is included in the separate 1984-1989 Capital Improvement Plan.

## PUBLIC UTILITIES

The utilities in 1983 made a transition from a budget process that emphasized only the numbers to a process that emphasizes the planning aspects of utility operations. This process also expands the one-year budget to a six-year plan.

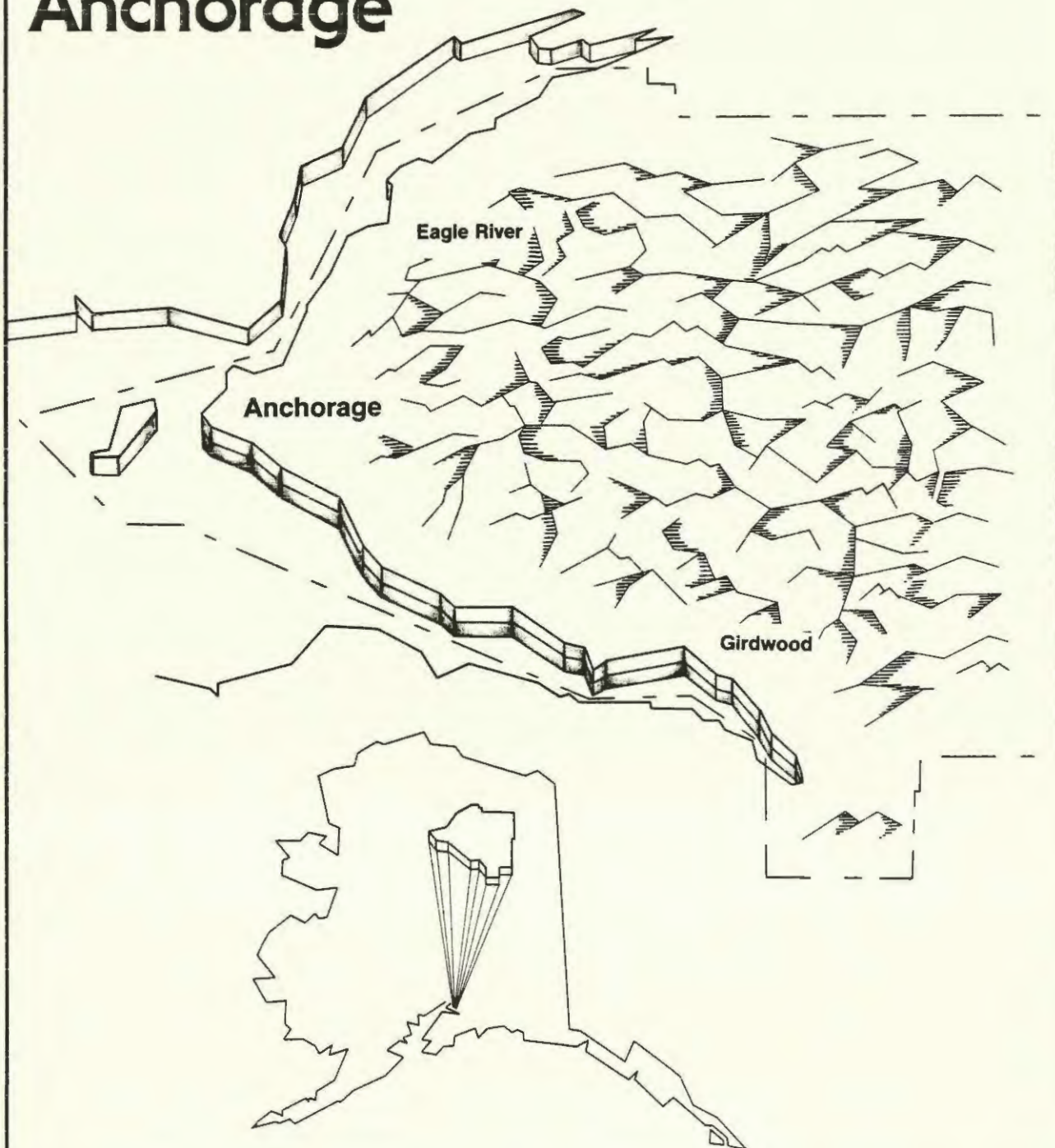
The future holds continuing growth for the Municipality of Anchorage, and will provide a continuing challenge to the utilities to provide high quality service while maintaining rates at reasonable levels.

Specific programs shown in the utilities business plans are summarized in the Public Utilities section. More detailed information can be found in the separate Public Utilities Budget document.

## BUDGET DOCUMENT

The Budget Document is organized by the three major budget components highlighted above. The Overview section includes various summaries of expenditure and appropriation levels. This is followed by three sections which outline the program plans for General Government Operating, Capital Improvement and Public Utilities, respectively. The Appendix includes several detailed summaries and schedules and reference material. Further information on any of the materials presented in this document can be obtained by calling the Office of Program Planning and Budgeting at 264-4427.

# Municipality of Anchorage





# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

## COMMUNITY PROFILE

### GENERAL FACTS

|                        |                                     |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Incorporation          | September 16, 1975                  |
| Form of Government     | Unified, Home Rule - Mayor/Assembly |
| Area                   | 1955 Square Miles                   |
| Population             | 230,846 (1983 est.)                 |
| Assessed Value Taxable | \$11,460,000,000                    |

### LAND USE\*

|              | Developed<br>(Acres) | Undeveloped<br>(Acres) |
|--------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Residential  | 13,509               | 13,899                 |
| Commercial   | 1,300                | 1,137                  |
| Industrial   | 1,444                | 2,395                  |
| Public Lands | 16,092               | 2,420                  |
| Unrestricted | N/A                  | 7,505                  |
|              | <hr/> 32,345         | <hr/> 27,356           |

\*1980

### HOUSING PROFILE\*

|               | Total Units  |
|---------------|--------------|
| Single Family | 34,433       |
| Duplex        | 8,608        |
| 3-4 Plex      | 7,457        |
| 5 + Plex      | 18,552       |
| Mobile Home   | 8,207        |
|               | <hr/> 77,257 |

\*1983 Preliminary Data

### ROADS/PARKS/TRAILS

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Road Miles Maintained    | 637 Miles |
| Bike Trails              | 55 Miles  |
| Green Belts              | 915 Acres |
| Ski Trails               | 12 KM     |
| Softball/Baseball Fields | 35        |
| Tennis Courts            | 59        |