



Municipality of Anchorage

**2026 Approved
Municipal Utilities / Enterprise
and
Anchorage Community Development
Authority
Operating and Capital Budgets**

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Mayor Suzanne LaFrance
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Dear Community Members:

Enclosed are the 2026 Municipal Utilities and Enterprise Departments' operating and capital budgets and their 2026-2031 Programs. The Municipality's Utilities and Enterprise Departments deliver core services our residents rely on, from clean drinking water and waste disposal to the food and cargo that arrives through the Don Young Port of Alaska. Our utilities and enterprises are key to the function of our community and often to our state.

The Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU) is the largest water and wastewater utility in Alaska, providing high-quality water and wastewater services to more than 200,000 residents of the Municipality. AWWU is also a critical part of Municipal efforts to spur economic development and construction of new housing across the Municipality.

Solid Waste Services (SWS) has opened several key facilities in recent years, including the Central Transfer Station, the Anchorage Regional Landfill Administration building, a new Materials Recovery Facility, and, most recently, the Central Wood Lot. These facilities are improving safety and service delivery for residents. In addition, SWS is continuing to focus on innovative work around alternative energy and infrastructure improvements.

The Don Young Port of Alaska is the largest and most versatile port in Alaska. Three-quarters of all non-petroleum marine cargo shipped to Alaska arrives through the port, and the goods it handles serve 90% of the state's population. Progress on the Port of Alaska Modernization Project has continued through 2025 and in 2026 will focus on construction of the new Cargo Terminal 1.

Merrill Field Airport is the second busiest in the state and is a critical connection between Anchorage and communities across the state. The airport celebrated 95 years of operation in 2025, and it remains focused on safety, community partnership and economic development. The Anchorage Hydropower Utility provides low-cost renewable energy through the Municipality's majority ownership in the Eklutna Hydroelectric Project.

The enclosed budgets reflect the critical work ahead to keep our community moving forward. I am committed to working alongside our Utilities and Enterprise Departments to ensure quality, efficient core service delivery to our community.

It is an honor to serve as your mayor.

Suzanne LaFrance
Mayor of Anchorage

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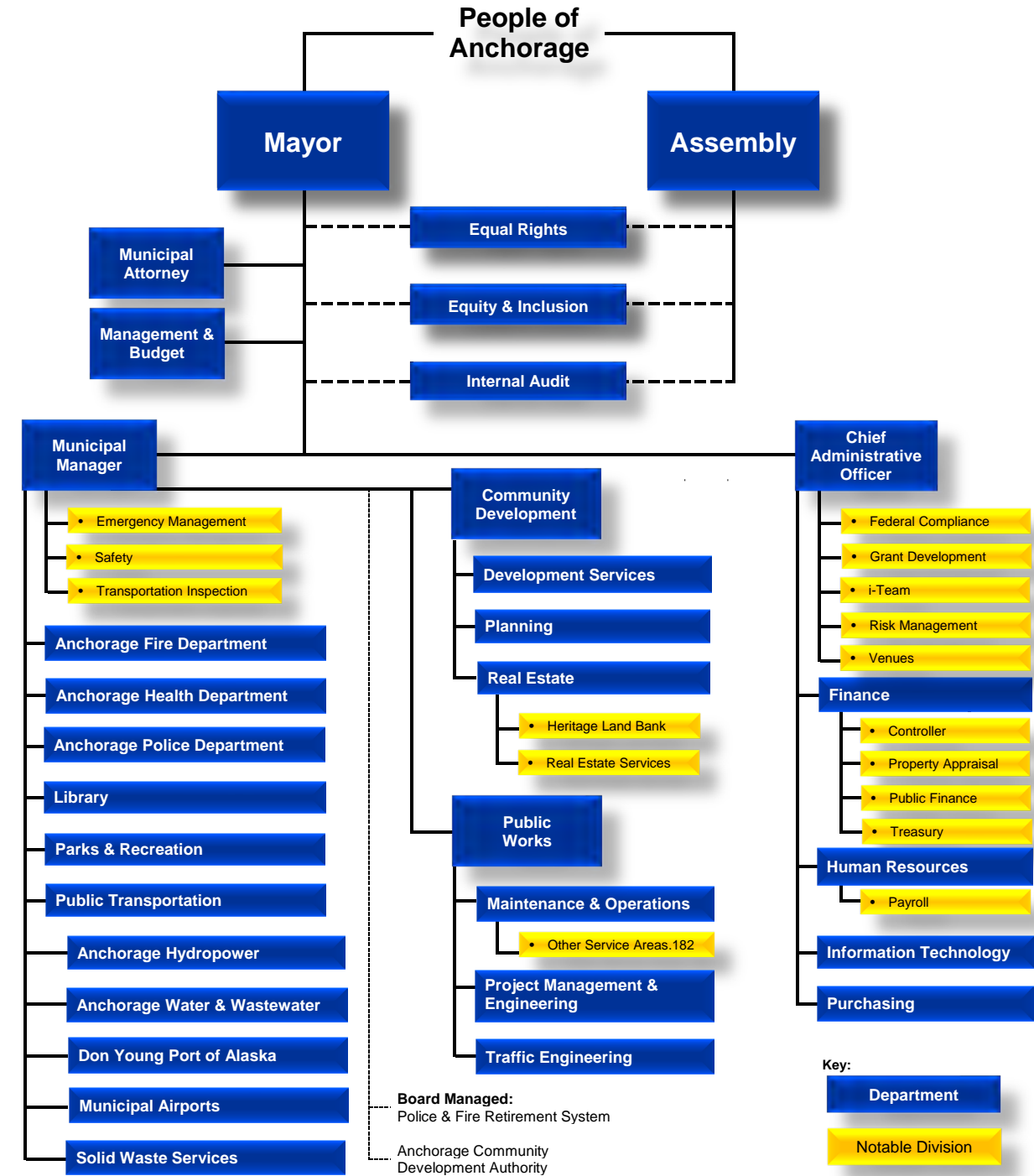
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