

**UNIVERSITY AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL (UACC)
RESOLUTION 2017-02**

**A Resolution of UACC for Action and Bonding Funds Needed
to Implement the University Lake Park Master Plan**

Whereas, the Anchorage Municipal Charter Art, VIII, Sec 8.01 establishes Community Councils as representatives for neighborhoods in planning and development;

Whereas, Community Councils are intended to reflect actual neighborhoods and provide guidance advice on management of lands within their boundaries;

Whereas, the University Lake Park Master Plan was approved by the Municipality of Anchorage's Planning and Zoning Commission on January 9, 2017;

Whereas, the UACC was involved in the development of the plan from its inception and gave enthusiastic approval of the master plan in a resolution with the condition that the Municipality give a high priority and appropriate the needed funding to implement the plan;

Whereas, little has been done to date to implement the plan, yet the park continues to have high visitation rates;

Whereas, very clear evidence is available that many dog owners who bring their on-leash and off-leash dogs to the University Lake Park are not cleaning up the poop that their dogs deposit in the park;

Whereas, the recent snow melt shows how pervasive this problem is;

Whereas, this dog waste that is not picked up greatly diminishes the value, aesthetics and safety of the park, and is of a significant health concern to all who visit the park and to those who are downstream along Chester Creek; and

Whereas, this problem, inadequate signage and other aspects and features of the park, that the plan would correct, need to be implemented as soon as possible.

Therefore, the UACC hereby resolves that the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department prepare a request to begin implementation of the University Lake Park Master Plan as part of its bonding requests for 2018 and strongly urges the Assembly to give its full support for the request to be put on the Municipality's Ballot in Spring 2018.

Resolution Vote: For: 11 Against: 1 Abstain: 2

This resolution was approved by the University Area Community Council this day of **May 3, 2017**.

Signed

Paul R Stang, President, UACC