

AIRPORT COMMUNITY OUTREACH PLAN UPDATE (PLAN) February 2018 TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL [Recommended Amendments](#)

#1 TCC Comment/Recommendation — PAGE 5 — FIGURE 1 AIRPORT VICINITY MAP:

The Airport Vicinity Map uses as its source an outdated MOA Land Use 2010 Map.

[Replace the outdated MOA Land Use 2010 map land use designations with the land use designations incorporated in the September 26, 2017, Assembly-approved Anchorage 2040 Land Use Plan Map](#)

#2 TCC Comment/Recommendation — PAGE 8 — 3.3.1 REQUIRED COMMUNICATION:

The Airport has already responded to Turnagain Community Council numerous times over the years to requests for meetings and more information on various projects, which we appreciate. It seems logical to include Community Councils to this list in the Plan.

Under "The Airport will respond to requests for meetings and/or information as requested by:"
["Add "Community Councils"](#)

#3 TCC Comment/Recommendation — PAGE 3 & 10:

Not sure what "OPN" refers to in 2nd full graph (middle of page 10): "Public notices for land leases posted on the SOA OPN system will include an exhibit for location identification purposes."

OPN is not listed under the Acronyms and Abbreviations on page 3.

On page 3 Acronyms and Abbreviations,
[Include "OPN" and/or](#)

On page 10,
[Spell out "OPN"](#)

#4 TCC Comment/Recommendation — PAGE 11, LAST CURRENT BULLET UNDER 'SAND LAKE, SPENARD AND TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL' THAT STARTS ON PAGE 10:

An important Airport responsibility to the surrounding community councils is to ensure residents have an opportunity to be informed by applicants of development lease applications that may have significant impacts on land uses — including park, recreation and natural open spaces — in and around the Airport — not just development proposals "adjacent to residential areas." The numerous recent cargo land lease applications in North Airpark are not directly adjacent to Turnagain residential homes, but the resulting development and operations of these project proposals will have a significant negative impact our community.

While TCC appreciates the Airport's much-improved land lease application notification process, very few — if any — lease applicants have contacted our council to present information on development proposals before application comment deadlines. It's important for community councils to have the opportunity to dialogue directly with applicants to review the proposal and discuss potential modifications with the Airport and the applicant that could reduce/mitigate negative impacts, including removal of vegetation buffers, ground noise, air pollution, wetland fill, hydrology and water quality, commuter and truck traffic through neighborhoods, etc. This communication should take place before the Airport makes a decision on the lease application.

On page 11:

Reword current last bullet as follows:

- ["The Airport will require that applicants for land leases that include development and operations that may have significant impacts on residential, park, recreation and natural open space areas in and around the Airport to meet with the associated community council\(s\) to inform the community of their development plans. Approval of any land lease or permit application by the Airport will be contingent upon the applicant following through with this requirement. This meeting shall occur within a reasonable amount of time before the lease application comment deadline, to ensure the Council\(s\) have adequate time to provide input on the proposal."](#)

#5 TCC Comment/Recommendation — PAGE 11, NEW LAST BULLET UNDER ‘SAND LAKE, SPENARD AND TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL’ THAT STARTS ON PAGE 10:

An integral component of good communication with the surrounding community councils — especially when councils have submitted comments on specific land lease applications — is to be informed when the Airport has made a decision regarding the lease application.

Create new last bullet on page 11:

- “The Airport will send out notices to all three surrounding community councils in a reasonable amount of time after the Airport makes a decision regarding land lease applications.”

#6 TCC Comment/Recommendation — PAGE 12 — LAKE HOOD USER GROUP:

One of the issues discussed in the past — but still not resolved — is the lack of a coordinated way for information from the Airport or community councils to be disseminated by the various Lake Hood User Groups to their memberships. (One example: Efficient way to remind pilots on a regular basis to be safe, but courteous, flyers and minimize noise impacts to surrounding neighborhoods as they fly over residential areas.)

Add additional language at end of this section:

“An ongoing communication goal is to develop efficient methods of communications/information dissemination between Lake Hood Seaplane Base staff, Lake Hood User Groups and the community councils.”

#7 TCC Comment/Recommendation — PAGE 12 — THE ANCHORAGE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT STAKEHOLDER GROUP:

This section states that, “The Airport meets regularly with the Stakeholder Group...” However, it has been quite some time since the Turnagain Community Council representative has been invited to a Stakeholder Group meeting.

Has community council representation been removed from the Stakeholder Group? Is there a reason the group has not met “regularly”?

TCC recommends the continued inclusion of Sand Lake, Spenard and Turnagain Community Councils in the Stakeholders Group — and that at least three meetings per year are held per year.

Amend the first sentence:

“The Airport meets at least three times per year with the Stakeholder Group...”



West Anchorage Snow Disposal Project

Project Management and Engineering No. 19-01

Please Join Us!

Public Open House
Tuesday, March 24, 2020
4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Z.J. Loussac Library Atrium
3600 Denali St.
Anchorage, AK 99503



The Municipality of Anchorage is collecting information on potential locations for the placement of snow removed from West Anchorage streets during winter. Snow disposal location criteria and public feedback will be considered as part of a site selection process.

You are invited to attend a Public Open House to learn about the project and provide your feedback on site selection criteria and potential locations to be considered.

Visit www.westanchoragesnow.com for project information or to submit comments.

Anchorage ROW Trespass Mitigation & Public Safety

Project Scope

The Alaska Railroad (ARRC) plans clearing and fencing improvements along an Anchorage segment of railroad right-of-way (ROW) to reduce ongoing trespass issues, and to enhance safety for the general public and railroad employees.

The project calls for construction of about 1,200 feet of fencing and about 1.5 acres of tree removal along the ROW, from ARRC Milepost (MP) 111.9 to MP 112.14, near the Forest Park Neighborhood in West Anchorage. This segment of track has had a history of numerous track safety violations that stem from unauthorized and heavy foot traffic, as evidenced by well-established footpaths reaching over the tracks. The project is designed to physically separate the track from the surrounding residential area.

Benefits

This project will benefit homeowners along the ROW, the adjacent neighborhood and the railroad's public safety goals. Benefits include:

- Clearing will make the area easier to observe:
 - lowering the potential for trespass
 - helping to enforce a ban on dangerous and illegal camping
 - discouraging mischievous and hazardous behaviors
- Fencing will separate the general public from an active train operating corridor, lowering the risk of potential conflicts between trains and pedestrians/animals.



The project corridor is approximately 1200 feet long, and adjacent to the Forrest Park neighborhood.

PROJECT FACTS

Status

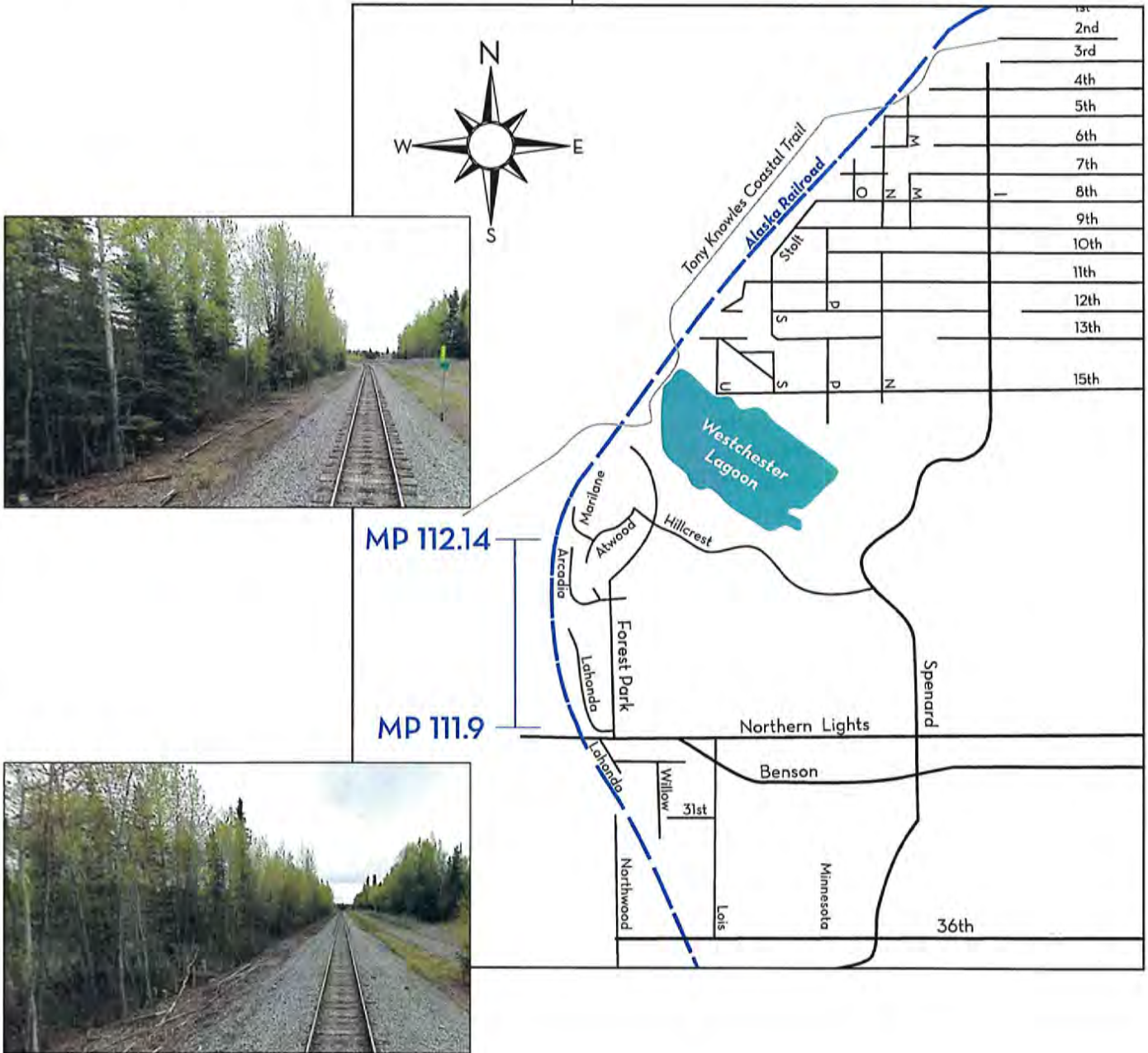
A similar clearing and fencing project was recently completed on the opposite side of the tracks in this location.

Clearing and fencing limits have been determined and marked. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2020, with clearing work followed by fencing. Duration will be about one week for clearing and one week for fencing.

Funding

- The project is funded 100% by the Alaska Railroad.

Project Area Map





Alaska State Legislature

Representative Matt Claman

March 2020 Community Council Update

Thank You for Attending Anchorage Caucus & Mid-Session Constituent Meeting — Thank you to all who took the time to attend Anchorage Caucus or our Mid-Session Constituent Meeting to share your thoughts about the legislative session. I always appreciate feedback from my friends and neighbors in Anchorage and the opportunity to discuss the many challenges we face as a state and solutions that serve all Alaskans.

Start of Session Newsletter & Constituent Survey — One of the most important components of my work as your Representative is hearing from West Anchorage constituents on the issues that matter to you. Each household should have received our Start of Session Newsletter and survey in your mailbox! You can complete the survey by hand and mail it to our office, or you can save a stamp and complete our survey online: <https://forms.gle/fwxmsBCriNTCTvps8>.

The survey will remain open until March 6. Please take a moment to share your thoughts and suggestions. I appreciate your feedback!

House Passes Supplemental Budget — On February 26, the House passed a supplemental budget, House Bill 234, that addresses healthcare expenses the state incurred, the high cost of last summer's wildfires, and funding shortfalls for essential services including the Alaska Marine Highway System. The bill approves spending \$298.6 million of unrestricted general funds and an overall total of \$526.2 million of state and federal money. The supplemental budget includes:

- \$120 million of state funds and \$143.4 million of federal funds for Medicaid provider payments, spending necessary due to the governor's unsuccessful attempt to implement drastic reductions to the Medicaid program;
- \$110.5 million to pay for wildland firefighting costs incurred last summer and fall;
- \$8.6 million to restore Adult Public Assistance to ensure payments for low-income Alaskans, which the governor vetoed last year;
- \$8.3 million to restore the Adult Preventive Dental Program, which the governor vetoed and attempted to eliminate last year;
- \$7.1 million for the Alaska Marine Highway System to avoid a reduction in the operating schedule for the spring and summer of this year;
- \$6.7 million for the Department of Public Safety to address a personnel shortfall within the Alaska State Troopers and Alaska Wildlife Troopers;
- \$6 million to help the Alaska Psychiatric Institute increase its capacity;
- \$3 million to address the severe damage caused in Anchorage, Kenai, and Mat-Su by the November 2018 earthquake;
- \$150,000 to re-open the District Attorney's Office in Utqiagvik.

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Serving the Sand Lake, Spenard, and Turnagain Communities

Turnagain Community Council – Senator Gray-Jackson’s Report

March 5, 2020

- On Saturday, Feb. 28th, I had the privilege and honor to be a part of the Second Annual Bettye Davis African American Summit. I was excited to come together with community leaders who are passionate about the fight for equality which continues today. The late Senator Davis was the first African American elected to the Alaska State Senate, a former Alaska State Representative, and Anchorage School Board Member. She was also my mentor and a friend. It was only fitting that during February’s Black History Month, we were able to immortalize the memory of the late Senator Davis with naming a room in the capital after her and continuing the legacy that she left behind.
- **Supplemental Budget**
The governor’s FY20 supplemental budget was passed by the House of Representatives on Wednesday, February 26th. This supplemental budget was the largest in Alaska’s history, totaling at \$526.2 million. \$293.6 million of this is in state UGF funding, and the remaining \$225 million is federal funding. The budget primarily funds Medicaid, firefighting efforts, and earthquake relief costs. The supplemental budget also includes funding for: the Alaska Marine Highway System, the Department of Public Safety, Alaska Psychiatric Institute, the Utquiagvik (formerly Barrow) DA’s office, the Adult Public Assistance program, and the Adult Preventative Dental Program.
- I want to invite everyone to join me and my staff for “Coffee with Elvi” so we can hear your priorities during this legislative session. We will be meeting at the Black Cup, 341 Benson Blvd. on March 7th, from 11-12:30 pm. Come share your thoughts, opinions and enjoy a cup of coffee with us.
- I hope you are enjoying my monthly E-newsletter. If you’re not receiving them, please send your email address to my staff at Keith.Bauguess@akleg.gov.

MONTHLY UPDATE

Current news and updates from the Anchorage Assembly

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Municipal Election Update

Residents will have a chance to vote on a variety of bonds and propositions on the April 7 ballot, which will be in your mailbox shortly after March 17. [Click here to read up on bonds and ballot measures.](#)

You Count, Be Counted

Starting in mid-March, every resident throughout the Municipality will begin receiving information in your mail from the 2020 Census. This mailer will provide you with a personalized identification number and information on taking the Census online.

If you don't want to take the Census online, there will still be the options of taking the survey over the phone or by paper.

ML&P Decision Delays

As some may have heard, the Regulatory Commission of Alaska has extended their deadline to decide on the stipulation between the parties agreeing to the sale of Municipal Light & Power to Chugach Electric Association. The new deadline is May 28, which was expected as we built the 2020 budget, so no budget impacts are expected currently from this delay.

Infrastructure Info

Metropolitan Transit Plan

The Assembly provided comments on the next iteration of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), which is still up for comment until March 9. The Assembly's comments focused on public transit, non-motorized transit, and an overall change in the paradigm for road construction within the Municipality. To provide public comment on the plan, go to www.mtp2040.com. Your comments can be as specific or general as you'd like.

Waste to Energy

Later this month, SWS will be releasing a feasibility study for Waste-to-Energy (WTE) and the preferred option by the department – a mass-burn facility. On Tuesday, March 24, the Assembly will be considering an update to the Solid Waste Services Master Plan, which includes WTE. The Assembly will review the feasibility study at the Enterprise and Utility Oversight Committee meetings of March 12 and March 19.

Assembly Resolution: Midtown Congestion Relief

The Assembly recently held a worksession at the request of the State Department of Transportation and DOWL Engineers so they could provide their comments on an Assembly resolution regarding the Midtown Congestion Relief Planning and Environmental Linkages Study (PEL).

DOT and DOWL suggested three major changes, including edits on language related to the traffic model, mature trees on the west side of Ingra, and language regarding compensation for loss of home values for homes on the east side of Ingra.

This resolution will be back before the Assembly on Tuesday, March 10, for a public hearing and possible vote. [Find the resolution here, item 14.H.](#)

Quick News

Front Porch

The Assembly will be considering a change to Title 21 to encourage the creation of front porches on Tuesday, March 10. This change will exempt up to 200 square feet of area from lot coverage calculations to allow construction of front porches on multiple housing types.

Code Cleanup

Assembly Members Felix Rivera, Suzanne LaFrance, and Austin Quinn-Davidson put forward an ordinance to replace references in Anchorage Municipal Code from “abuse” to “misuse” when referring to substance misuse. The Assembly will have a public hearing and possible vote on this ordinance on Tuesday, March 10.

School District Budget

The Assembly will be reviewing the Anchorage School District budget on Friday, March 6, at our next Joint Assembly and School Board meeting. The Assembly will be voting on the ASD budget on Tuesday, March 24. The options for the Assembly are as follows: vote to approve or deny. On the vote of approval, the Assembly does have the authority to increase or decrease the budget. The Mayor has the authority to line-item veto the school district budget.

Pay For Success/ Home For Good

The Berkowitz administration has put forward two ordinances for the Assembly to consider on Tuesday, March 24 in support of the Pay for Success / Home for Good program. One ordinance authorizes the borrowing of almost \$5 million for the purpose of providing funds to finance “success payments.” The second ordinance creates the fund account which the money will be deposited into. There will be a worksession on these ordinances on Friday, March 6.

Can't get enough?

The Clerk's office is a great place to go for the most up to date info on many municipal issues. Follow the Anchorage Municipal Clerk on Facebook:

facebook.com/ANCMuniClerk/



**Ted Steven Anchorage International Airport
March 2020**

1. **Lake Hood Seaplane Base Frozen Lakes:** Winter operations are in effect, and we are requesting everyone's help to remind others to please stay off the ice. The frozen lakes remain restricted active runway surfaces all winter for ski operations. For further information please contact the Lake Hood Office at 907-266-2410.
2. **Airport Community Outreach Plan Update:** The Airport is seeking public comments and modification recommendations for the Airport Community Outreach Plan. Comments are to be submitted no later than March 18, 2020. The Airport Community Outreach Plan establishes guidelines for effective two-way communication between the Airport and the community. The plan can be found at dot.state.ak.us/anc/about/community.shtml.
3. **2020 Anchorage Travel & Tourism Job Fair:** The airport is hosting this free event on March 27 from 10 a.m. -3 p.m. in the North Terminal, 4600 Postmark Dr. Parking is free. For more information call (907) 269-4777, or visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/anchorage-travel-tourism-industry-job-fair-tickets-94016342411?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>
4. **Cell Phone Parking Lot:** There is a free cell phone lot available for drivers to wait until arriving passengers have deplaned, collected luggage and called to be picked up. The cell phone lot is in a designated area of the DOT&PF Central Region Headquarters parking lot - just two minutes away from both the South and North Terminals. Directions to the lot: From International Airport Road driving west to the Airport, turn right at the Aviation Avenue exit and follow signs to the lot.
5. **Real ID:**
 - Beginning October 1, 2020, every air traveler 18 years of age and older will need a REAL ID-compliant driver's license, state-issued enhanced driver's license, or other acceptable form of ID to fly within the United States. For more information, visit <https://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/home.htm>
 - ANC and Alaska DMV are partnering to ensure every Alaskan traveler has their REAL ID-compliant driver's license or other acceptable forms of ID required to travel. Alaskans can now get their Real ID-compliant driver's license at ANC. DMV services at ANC are available Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and by appointment only. Parking is free for the first 30 minutes, and \$3 for the first hour. Services are limited to Non-commercial License (Class D, and Motorcycle), Non-commercial Instructional Permits, Identification Cards, and Written Knowledge Tests.
 - Visit the Alaska DMV website, or click on the following link to schedule your appointment. qw.alaskadmv.us.qmatic.cloud/qwebbook/index.html#/
6. **Airport Recruitment:** The Airport is hiring! Information on these opportunities can be found on Workplace Alaska or through Local 71 at the following web addresses: local71.com/jobs and dot.state.ak.us/anc/about/jobs.shtml. Active recruitments are:

Equipment Operator Journey II	\$23.60/Hr	Class A CDL required at time of application.
Seasonal Equipment Operator Journey II	\$23.60/Hr	Class A CDL required at time of application.
Seasonal Equipment Operator Journey I	\$22.16/Hr	Class A CDL required at time of application.
Heavy Equipment Mechanic	\$23.60-27.10/Hr	Class A CDL required within 90 days of hire.
Electrician	\$26.73-30.68/Hr	Class B CDL required within 90 days of hire.
Office Assistant IV	\$20.29/Hr	
Analyst/Programmer IV	\$5,632 Monthly	
Microcomputer/Network Technician II	\$4,272 Monthly	
Airport Police & Fire Officer I/II	\$4,594-\$4,945 Monthly	
Maintenance Specialist Journey I (HVAC)	\$23.60/Hr	

7. **Sign up for GovDelivery:** Follow the link below to receive emails on DOT related items and visit us on Facebook and Twitter. service.govdelivery.com/accounts/AKDOT/subscriber/new

"To Keep Alaska Flying and Thriving."

Propositions: 2020 Ballot Propositions

PROPOSITION NO. 1

AREAWIDE LIFE/SAFETY ACCESS ROADS IMPROVEMENTS BONDS

For the purpose of constructing and maintaining life/safety access roads, including conducting pre-construction design work to construct a new segment of Boundary Avenue, a new segment of Mountain Air Drive and a new segment of Kullberg Drive, and related capital improvements in Anchorage as provided in AO 2020-2, As Amended, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$1,110,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.25 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

PROPOSITION NO. 2

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

For the purpose of providing educational capital improvements, construction, upgrades, design, planning, renovation and earthquake recovery of school facilities and educational facility building life extension projects within Anchorage, as provided in AO 2019-145, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$82,833,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

The general obligation bond proceeds will be used to pay costs of constructing, renovating, installing, designing, planning, acquiring and equipping educational capital improvement projects including, but not limited to, design funding to replace Inlet View Elementary School, design and construction funding for infrastructure capital improvements at Aquarian Charter School, designing and constructing building wide earthquake damage repairs, seismic upgrades and building improvements at Bartlett, East, King Tech, Chugiak, Eagle River, and Dimond High Schools, Mirror Lake and Central Middle Schools, Fire Lake, Chugiak, and Bear Valley Elementary Schools and Whaley School, designing and constructing building wide earthquake damage repairs, seismic upgrades, building, security and educational improvements at Gruening Middle School and Eagle River Elementary School, and planning and design projects for 2022 deferred capital requirement projects.

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 assessed valuation) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$18.45 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt will be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide in Anchorage. Anchorage will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

PROPOSITION NO. 3

ANCHORAGE ROADS AND DRAINAGE SERVICE AREA ROAD AND STORM DRAINAGE BONDS

For the purpose of providing roads and storm drainage capital acquisition, construction, renovation, upgrades and related capital improvements in the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area, as provided in AO 2020-6, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$43,000,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$313,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 assessed valuation in the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$12.19 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$1.15 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area, without cost to properties in Chugiak, Eagle River, Girdwood and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the debt.

PROPOSITION NO. 4

ANCHORAGE FIRE SERVICE AREA FIRE PROTECTION BONDS

For the purpose of acquiring a replacement fire ladder truck, making AFD facility improvements and expanding the shop in the Anchorage Fire Service Area, as provided in AO 2019-152, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$2,050,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 assessed valuation in the Anchorage Fire Service Area) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.49 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Fire Service Area without cost to properties in Chugiak, Girdwood, and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

PROPOSITION NO. 5

ANCHORAGE PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICE AREA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS

For the purpose of renovating and rehabilitating trails and parks, making playground, parking, safety, ADA and park improvements at various parks and recreational facilities, and making related capital improvements in the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area, as provided in AO 2019-150, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$3,950,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$197,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 assessed valuation in the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$1.02 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.66 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area, without cost to properties in Chugiak, Eagle River, Girdwood, and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

PROPOSITION NO. 6

ANCHORAGE METROPOLITAN POLICE SERVICE AREA FACILITIES BONDS

For the purpose of acquiring new APD replacement fleet vehicles and undertaking certain capital improvements in the Anchorage Metropolitan Police Service Area as provided in AO 2019-151, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$2,400,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$30,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 assessed valuation in the Anchorage Metropolitan Police Service Area) (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.55 to retire the proposed bonds and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.09 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Metropolitan Police Service Area, which consists of areas north of McHugh Creek (other than Fire Island), without cost to properties in Girdwood, Bird, Indian, Rainbow, Portage and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

PROPOSITION NO. 7

AREAWIDE FACILITIES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BONDS

For the purpose of providing areawide facilities capital improvements within the Municipality of Anchorage, including at the Anchorage Senior Activity Center and Chugiak-Eagle River Senior Center and the Loussac and Mt. View libraries, said improvements involving building safety rehabilitation and upgrades, facility renovations, code improvement projects, elevator modernization, ADA compliance, seismic modifications and other capital improvements, as provided in AO 2019-154, As Amended, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$5,375,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$52,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage) (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$1.20 to retire the proposed bonds and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.15 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

PROPOSITION NO. 8

AREAWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS

For the purpose of upgrading the infrastructure of the Anchorage Area-Wide Radio Network, acquiring new replacement ambulances and replacement cardiac monitors, making improvements to transit facilities and centers, acquiring and replacing transit vehicles and support equipment, updating automated operating system/management information systems and undertaking bus stop improvements and related capital improvements in Anchorage as provided in AO 2019-153, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$5,095,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$1.13 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

PROPOSITION NO. 9

**AREAWIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND SYSTEMS SPECIAL LEVY
AND REDUCTION OF VOTER-APPROVED INDEBTEDNESS**

For the purpose of renting or leasing cardiac monitors, chest compression systems, automated external defibrillators (AEDs), power gurney systems, and other emergency medical equipment and systems, as provided in AO 2020-3, shall Anchorage levy a special tax in the amount of \$830,000 annually, dedicated solely to those purposes, and rescind voter authorization in 2019, and any further voter authorization in 2020, to incur general obligation debt to purchase cardiac monitors and chest compression systems?

Voter approval of this proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed property value (based on the estimated 2020 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$2.40.

Among other things, approval of this proposition will permit the Anchorage, Chugiak and Girdwood fire departments and the Anchorage Police Department to deploy uniform cardiac monitors, chest compression systems and AEDs, through a leasing arrangement. To purchase the equipment using the proceeds of general obligation bonds, rather than lease it, bonds in the principal amount of not less than \$11,260,533.94 would have to be issued over the next ten years. This proposition will eliminate that need.

If passed, this proposition would eliminate \$400,000 from the principal amount of indebtedness that could be authorized by the separate "Areawide Public Safety and Transit Capital Improvement Bonds" proposition, included as Proposition 8 on this ballot. It would also reduce the principal amount of indebtedness authorized by voters in 2019 by \$280,000.

The tax shall be from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage.

PROPOSITION NO. 10

GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA FACILITIES BONDS

For the purpose of building a new community building to replace Glacier City Hall and Little Bears facilities and making related capital improvements in the Girdwood Valley Service Area, as provided in AO 2020-1, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$2,200,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 assessed valuation in the Girdwood Valley Service Area) an annual cost in taxes of approximately \$28.70 to retire the proposed bonds. The proposed bonds will not increase the maximum attainable Girdwood Valley Service Area mill rate approved pursuant to AMC 27.30.020.

The debt is anticipated to be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Girdwood Valley Service Area, without cost to properties in

Anchorage, Chugiak, Eagle River and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the debt.

PROPOSITION NO. 11

ALLOWING ON-SITE CONSUMPTION OF MARIJUANA BY SMOKING OR INHALATION PER APPLICABLE LAW IN LICENSED RETAIL MARIJUANA STORES WITH AN ENDORSEMENT FOR AN ON-SITE CONSUMPTION AREA

This proposition would make it legal for licensed retail marijuana stores with a license and special land use permit endorsement approved by the Municipality and the State of Alaska to allow their customers to consume marijuana bud or flower by inhalation or smoking in their marijuana consumption areas. Currently it is legal for only edible marijuana products to be consumed in marijuana consumption areas.

As of October 2019 applicable law includes the following requirements for marijuana consumption areas where smoking or inhalation is allowed:

- Shall be separated by a secure door from the retail store or in sight-obscured outdoor areas.
- Shall only be accessible from the retail marijuana store premises.
- The odor of marijuana is not allowed to be detected by a person with a normal sense of smell at any lot line.
- A smoke-free area for employees shall be provided, to monitor the marijuana consumption area at all times to ensure consumption is in compliance with applicable law.
- Signs in the consumption area warning that marijuana
 - has intoxicating effects,
 - impairs concentration, coordination and judgment, and not to operate a vehicle or machinery under its influence,
 - has health risks,
 - use is restricted to adults twenty-one years and older,
 - should not be used by women who are pregnant or breastfeeding,
 - is unlawful to consume in public,
 - is prohibited by federal law to transport or carry on the Alaska waterways, including by cruise ships, or by air carrier,
 - is prohibited by federal law to transport or ship outside of the State of Alaska, and
 - is unlawful to provide to persons under the age of 21.

In addition, if this proposition is approved the Anchorage Municipal Code will be amended as provided in AO 2019-103(S), As Amended, to add these additional legal requirements or restrictions:

- Up to one gram of marijuana bud or flower may be sold by a licensed retail store to any one person per day for on-site consumption.

- The operating plan submitted with an application for an on-site consumption endorsement shall include plans for immediate cessation of smoking and inhalation use by persons in the consumption area, extinguishment of lighted marijuana, and rapid clearing of visible smoke in case of emergency circumstances.
- Additional signs required in the consumption area or at its entrance access:
 - "Drive under the influence – lose your car" and describing applicable penalties.
 - "Exposure to secondhand marijuana smoke may be harmful to your health, have intoxicating effects, and cause a positive drug test result."
- Amendments to the Secondhand Smoke Control Ordinance, AMC Chapter 16.65, that
 - Excepts approved on-site consumption areas from the prohibitions on smoking in enclosed public places and enclosed areas that are places of employment,
 - Implements the smoke-free area requirements for employees to monitor the consumption area consistent with the requirements of AMC chapter 10.80,
 - Prohibits employees from entering the marijuana consumption area when in use for smoking, except in emergency circumstances, and
 - Incorporates by reference the ventilation requirements of AMC sections 10.80.306 and 21.05.055 for the consumption area.

Shall it be legal in the Municipality for licensed retail marijuana stores to allow marijuana consumption by smoking or inhalation in on-site consumption areas?

(To view the ordinance, click here: [AO 2019-103\(S\), As Amended](#))

PROPOSITION NO. 12
 CHARTER AMENDMENT TO
 REQUIRE 12 ASSEMBLY MEMBERS AND 2 MEMBERS FOR EACH ASSEMBLY
 DISTRICT

This proposition would amend the Anchorage Municipal Charter sections 4.01 and 4.04, as follows (**underlined and bolded words** are proposed new words; [~~strikeouts in bold~~] are proposed deletions):

Section 4.01. - Power, composition and apportionment.

The legislative power of Anchorage is vested in an assembly of **12** [~~44~~] members. **There shall be six e[E]lection districts; each** [~~if established,~~] shall **have two assembly members, and they shall** be formed of compact and contiguous territory containing as nearly as practicable a relatively integrated socioeconomic area. ...

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Section 4.04. - Presiding officer, meetings and procedures.

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(e) **Seven** [~~Six~~] members of the assembly shall constitute a quorum; however, a smaller number may recess from time to time and compel the attendance of absent members as prescribed by assembly rule.

If approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question at the April 7, 2020 Regular Election, the amendments to the Charter above shall be effective upon the adoption of a final state redistricting plan by the Redistricting Board of the State of Alaska following the official reporting of the 2020 Census of the United States, and applicable to the next reapportionment of the Assembly per Charter § 4.01.

Shall the Anchorage Municipal Charter be amended as set forth above? (AO 2019-82)

(To view the ordinance, click here: [AO 2019-82](#))

PROPOSITION NO. 13

CHARTER AMENDMENT

RETAIL SALES TAX ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OF 5% DEDICATING THE REVENUE TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH PURPOSES

This proposition would amend the Anchorage Municipal Charter by adding a new section 14.07 to read as follows:

Section 14.07 Alcoholic beverages retail sales tax.

(a) Tax levy and effective date:

The assembly is hereby authorized to levy a five percent (5%) tax on all retail sales of alcoholic beverages. The tax levy shall be effective February 1, 2021.

(b) Dedication of proceeds:

The net receipts from the alcoholic beverages retail sales tax, after payment of the costs of administration, collection and audit to the municipality, are dedicated and shall be available to use only for:

- (1) Funding for police, related criminal justice personnel, and first responders;
- (2) Funding to combat and address child abuse, sexual assault, and domestic violence; and
- (3) Funding for substance misuse treatment, prevention programs, detoxification or long-term addiction recovery facilities, mental and behavioral health programs, and resources to prevent and address Anchorage's homelessness crisis.

(c) No increase of the alcoholic beverages retail sales tax above five percent (5%) or change of the use of its proceeds may be made without approval of the majority of qualified voters voting on the question.

(d) At least 120 days before the end of the fiscal year of the municipality and at such other times as the assembly directs, the mayor shall submit to the assembly a report of the tax revenues collected and expended. The report of expenses shall be itemized by each authorized use or purpose and presented to the public.

(e) The net receipts described in subsection (b) shall not be used to supplant funding for existing service levels contained in the actual operating budget for fiscal year 2020 and the funding to provide for and maintain that level of service in subsequent years. The dedicated net receipts shall only be used to provide additional service levels above the 2020 baseline.

And by amending Anchorage Municipal Charter, Article II (4), and Charter §14.01(b) as follows (**underlined and bolded words** are proposed new words; **strikeouts in bold** are proposed deletions):

ARTICLE II BILL OF RIGHTS

This Charter guarantees rights to the people of Anchorage that are in addition to rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of Alaska. Among rights guaranteed by this Charter are:

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(4) The right of immunity from sales taxes, except upon approval by three-fifths (3/5) of the qualified voters voting on the question, except the taxes imposed by Charter **§ Section 14.05 and § 14.07** shall be effective if approved by a majority (50 percent + one) of the qualified voters voting on the question.

Section 14.01 Taxing Authority

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(b) Unless otherwise provided in this Charter, no sales tax ordinance is valid until ratified by three-fifths (3/5) of those voting on the question at a regular or special election, except the taxes imposed by Charter § 14.05 **and § 14.07** shall be effective if approved by a majority (50%+ one) of the qualified voters voting on the question.

If approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question at the April 7, 2020 Regular Election, the amendments to the Charter above shall be effective upon certification of the election.

Shall the Anchorage Municipal Charter be amended as set forth above, and the 5% retail sales tax on alcoholic beverages be approved? (AO 2019-148(S-1), As Amended)

(To view the ordinance, click here: [AO 2019-148\(S-1\), As Amended](#))



The Anchorage School Board has approved \$39.3 million of the \$82.8 million bond package to repair Gruening Middle School (GMS). The building remains closed, and the entire GMS program is co-located at Chugiak High School. One of the ASD's priorities in the aftermath of the Nov. 30 earthquake is to get GMS reopened, as it is a vibrant program located within an extremely involved and supportive Eagle River community.

Despite having the most earthquake damage of any ASD school, the GMS building performed just as it was designed – to keep the students and staff inside safe. Multiple tests by independent engineering firms concluded that GMS can be repaired and made even more resilient to further earthquake damage. Multiple drilling samples of the earth beneath the school prove that the school is on stable ground.

The estimated project cost includes earthquake repairs, seismic improvements, a roof replacement and additional safety, security, efficiency, mechanical, electrical and interior improvements. Many of the upgrades are not related to the earthquake, but are required due to the building's age. The District believes that completing them simultaneously with earthquake repairs is the most responsible course of action in terms of cost and time efficiency. Completing these improvements later would be significantly more expensive in the aggregate and would create yet another disruption for students and staff. These repairs and upgrades are estimated to take up to two years to complete. After which, ASD is confident GMS will be a safe, resilient building and will remain a viable and engaging educational environment for another 25-30 years.

BACKGROUND

Due to structural safety concerns after the earthquake, the District closed GMS and transferred the entire program to Chugiak High School in December 2018. In February 2019, the District hired a local architectural and engineering firm to complete an engineering and seismic assessment of GMS. In June 2019, a geotechnical engineer firm conducted detailed testing and evaluation of the ground. The engineers concluded that GMS is repairable and that the building

sits on stable ground. These reports are available at <https://www.asdk12.org/Page/14163>.

Designed in 1981 and constructed in 1983, GMS educates approximately 590 7th and 8th grade students and is one of two middle schools in the Chugiak-Eagle River area, serving mostly the southern portion of Eagle River, Eagle River Valley, South Fork and Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson. Much of the school is original equipment.

In the 2006 Chugiak-Eagle River Comprehensive Plan Update (released in December 2006), the Municipality's Long-Range Planning Department projected continued growth and development in the Chugiak-Eagle River area. While the rate of growth is slower than forecasted in the 2006 Update, Chugiak-Eagle River's percentage the Municipal population is projected to increase from 12.1% in 2005 to 15% by 2025. Of note, over 84% of land suitable for development in the Chugiak-Eagle River area (6,562 out of 7,781 acres) is in the sub-areas of Birchwood, Chugiak, Eklutna and Peters Creek. These sub-areas feed into Chugiak High School and Mirror Lake Middle School.

REPAIRS & UPGRADES IN DEPTH

The School Board approved three levels to differentiate repairs:

- Level A** – Earthquake-caused damage repairs
- Level B** – Earthquake mitigation/seismic resiliency improvements and a roof replacement
- Level C** – Safety, security, efficiency, mechanical/electric, and environmental improvements to the school facility and grounds

A BRIEF BREAKDOWN BY LEVEL

Level A (\$10.7 million)

Earthquake Damage Repairs:

Level A is inclusive of earthquake-caused damage repair projects. The actual repair costs of these projects are eligible for State and Federal reimbursement. Major projects in this category include repairing and anchoring an interior, concrete/masonry (CMU) wall, removing a damaged stairwell and replacing it with an exterior wall, replacing ceiling

grids and tiles, repairing/repainting multiple CMU walls, repainting exterior masonry, and repairing floor cracks.

Level B (\$13.2 million)

Seismic Improvements and Roof Replacement:

Primary Level B seismic improvement projects include reinforcing CMU and wood shear walls, reinforcing building diaphragms, bracing mechanical systems, piping, ceiling grids and tiles, and vertical reinforcement of CMU walls. The roof, which is aged and in need of replacement, serves as an integral, structural member of the building and will be designed and constructed to meet a higher seismic resiliency standard.

Level C project summary

Safety:

- Modify and clean HVAC systems
- Clean and repair sanitary waste lines
- Re-route bus traffic to the back of the school
- Replace the intercom and sound system
- Code and accessibility upgrades
- Replace water service line
- Replace sewer service line
- Replace fire hydrant branch line
- Repave basketball court
- Widen fire lane to 26'

Security:

- Replace the analogue surveillance camera system with a digital system
- Construct a single vestibule and front entry point into the school
- Modify the office complex to better control/manage building access
- Add new access gates to back area school

Level C (\$15.4 million)

Safety, Security, Efficiency, and Environmental Improvements:

Level C projects address other needs for GMS not related to earthquake recovery. As a 36-year-old school with many systems dating to original construction, it is more efficient and cost-effective to address these needs concurrent with earthquake repairs. The efficiency is due to the contractor only needing to establish the construction site once and having the ability to sequence all repairs and improvements into a single construction project.

Efficiency:

- Interior and exterior LED lights with lighting control sensors
- Building recommissioning
- Replace exterior siding, doors & windows
- Install storm water treatment system
- Reconstruct storm drain outfall pipe

Mechanical/Electrical/Interior/Environmental:

- Repaint interiors with light-reflecting paint
- Classroom remodel (flooring, casework, traffic flow)
- Remodel cafeteria serving area
- Remodel office and teacher spaces
- Replace OEM stage lighting; install opening stage partition
- Replace main switchboard and panel boards
- Add faculty restrooms
- Refurbish or replace domestic fixtures
- Seal asphalt in parking lot and driveways
- Repave asphalt trails
- Replace collapsed culvert pipe
- Repair ground around outdoor amphitheater



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ACCOUNTABILITY: WHERE WILL THE MONEY GO?

If approved, Proposition 7 will pay for fixing up Anchorage Senior Activity Center, Chugiak-Eagle River Senior Center, the Loussac and Mountain View Libraries, and more. The entire bond amount is \$5.3 million. The tax increase would amount to approximately \$1.35 per \$100,000 of assessed value per household.

Examples of what the bond money will pay for:

- Leaking roof renovations
- Leaking windows and skylight replacement
- Earthquake/seismic modifications
- Mechanical and sanitary code upgrades
- Buckling carpet and flooring replacement
- Building safety rehabilitation
- Facility renovations
- Elevator shaft replacement
- Electrical code compliance

WHO USES PUBLIC FACILITIES?

- **Over 100,000 people a year** use the Anchorage Senior Center including students, non-profits, dance groups and more.
- Municipal residents use public libraries regularly. Anchorage public libraries have almost a **MILLION visits per year**.

WHO OWNS THESE FACILITIES?

- These are city owned properties.
- These are heavily used buildings that serve the entire municipality.



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PROPOSITION NO. 7

AREAWIDE FACILITIES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BONDS

For the purpose of providing areawide facilities capital improvements within the Municipality of Anchorage, including at the Anchorage and Chugiak Senior Centers and the Loussac and Mt. View libraries, said improvements involving building safety rehabilitation and upgrades, facility renovations, code improvement projects, elevator modernization, ADA compliance, seismic modifications and other capital improvements, as provided in AO 2019-___, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$5,375,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$52,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2020 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage) (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$1.20 to retire the proposed bonds and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.15 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

YES NO



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NO CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL ZONES FACTSHEET*



A new ordinance (law) passed by the Anchorage Assembly on June 20, 2019 makes it unlawful for a driver of any vehicle to talk on a mobile communication device while driving a vehicle within an active school zone or on school grounds, unless the vehicle is stopped or a hands-free device is used.

1 PURPOSE OF THE LAW

- Student safety is extremely important.
- Distracted driving is dangerous.
- Talking on a cell phone or mobile communication device is distracted driving and jeopardizes student safety in designated school zones.



2 TERMS USED IN THE NEW LAW

A **mobile communication device** is a cellular phone, smart phone, personal data assistant, wireless tablet, computer, or any similar device used for voice or visual communication.

An **active school zone** is a school zone with signage between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and where the maximum speed is 25 miles per hour or less on the streets permanently or due to a temporary speed reduction indicated by flashing school zone lights.



A **hands-free device** is a phone with speaker capability, an attachment, or other piece of equipment that allows the use of the device without either of the operator's hands.

3 THERE ARE SOME EXCEPTIONS IN THE LAW

- A vehicle is **stopped** OR a mobile communication device is used with a **hands-free device**.
- A mobile communication device is **used to dial 911** and make an emergency call.
- An operator of an **authorized emergency vehicle** is using a mobile communication device while acting in an official capacity.

*This fact sheet is provided as a courtesy to the public to highlight provisions of the law; it is not the law. For specific details of the law and the requirements or prohibitions in the law, please refer to the text of the ordinance (AO No. 2019-51(S)am) or Anchorage Municipal Code section 9.28.055.

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NO CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL ZONES FACTSHEET (CONT.)



4 CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS

- A \$500 fine, or
- A class A misdemeanor if a person's driving causes physical injury or death to another person.

5 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- **Why isn't talking on cell phones banned while driving everywhere in Alaska?** The State of Alaska has preempted Anchorage's right to ban talking on a cell phone while driving, but reading or typing a text message while driving is prohibited statewide.
- **Can I call my student when I'm there to pick them up?** Yes, if your car is stopped, then you can call your student on your cell phone. Or, you may call your student on a hands-free device.
- **Do these rules apply *only* when the school zone lights are flashing?** No! Most schools don't have flashing lights. These rules apply in an active school zone, where the speed limit is 25 mph or less, even if temporarily indicated by the flashing lights, and is designated by the signs posted that say "School Zone". If the speed limit is never reduced to 25 mph or less, the street is not in an active school zone and the rules don't apply even if there are signs.
- **How can I be sure if I am in a place where I can legally use my cell phone?** If you are unsure, don't use your cell phone! Pull over, stop, and use your cell phone when you are not driving.



Reviewed by the Municipality of Anchorage Legal Department

If you have additional questions, your Assembly Member's contact information may be found at www.Muni.org/Assembly.