SPENARD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting at 7pm, August 3, 2005, at the Spenard Recreation Center

AGENDA & NEWSLETTER

- 1. Minutes and Agenda Action
- 2. Assembly Reports
- 3. Brown Jug Conditional Use
- 4. Habitat Update
- 5. APD/MUNI Update
- 6. Parks Improvements
- 7. Committee Reports
- 8. Old and New Business

BOETTCHER SUBDIVISION REZONE STATUS

Ersin Aygun, the owner of Lots 1 and 2, Boettcher Subdivision (next to Gwennies on Spenard Road) is seeking to rezone Lot 2 from R-3SL to B-3. One effect of such a rezone would be to remove all the special limitations on the property, one of which requires that the lot have direct access to Spenard Road. If the pending rezone application gets approved, it will have an effect on Lot 3 (the 11 acre lot that abuts Northwood Drive) because Lot 3's access to Spenard Road is through Lots 1 and 2. The Council opposes the rezone, and on June 6, 2005 the Planning & Zoning Commission rejected the application. The petitioner plans to appeal the decision to the Assembly, but no hearing date has been set.

BROWN JUG CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION

Brown Jug has recently applied for a conditional use permit for a package store at 2710 Spenard Road (the former Space Station building near Spenard Road and Northern Lights) to replace their existing store at 2534 Spenard Road (next to the La Mex), which will be closed. The former Williams gas station property at Spenard and Northern Lights will be used for parking at the new store. Ed O'Neill from Brown Jug will discuss the project at the August meeting.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY UPDATE

Habitat For Humanity is planning on building approximately 12 condominium-style homes next summer on the three-quarter acre lot it presently owns at 32nd Avenue and Spenard Road. Representatives of Habitat will discuss that project at the August meeting.

COMMUNITY LIASON SERGEANT CINDI STANTON

Cindi Stanton of the Anchorage Police Department is the Community Council Liason Sergeant and has faithfully attended our Council meetings for the last several months. She is a great community resource and can be reached at 786-2668 (office); 317-0985(cell); cstanton@ci.anchorage.ak.us.

PARKS AND TRAILS IMPROVEMENTS

As reported in the July 25, 2005 Anchorage Daily News, the Anchorage Park Foundation and Anchorage Parks & Recreation are teaming up with volunteers to improve many Anchorage parks and trails. In Spenard, volunteers worked on Roosevelt Park on July 20 and on Minnesota Park on July 25. Connors Lake Park is scheduled for August 5 (9am-2pm) and Pop Carr Park is scheduled for August 9. If you want to help out, contact Nancy Beardsley, Volunteer Coordinator, at 343-4288 or at beardsleynj@muni.org. Additionally, the Parks & Recreation Northwest District Office is now at the Spenard Recreation Center, 2020 W.48th Ave. Doe Anderson is the NW District Manager and can be reached at 343-4163 or at AndersonBL@muni.org.

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