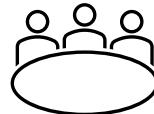




**FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR WORK SESSION AGENDA**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2026 AT 7 A.M.**  
MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA [ZOOM WEBINAR](#)  
AND AT FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

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1. Roll Call
2. Ordinance No. 6333 – An Ordinance Partially Releasing a Restrictive Covenant for the Noel Wien Library Lot. [advanced to January 12]
3. Ordinance No. 6334 – An Ordinance Amending Fairbanks General Code Section 2-119(a), Order of Business, Adding a Set Time During the Second Council Meeting of Each Month for Receiving a Report from Leadership in Our Community, Including Denakkanaaga, Fairbanks Native Association, Tanana Chiefs Conference, Doyon, or Other Designated Groups. [advanced to January 12]
4. Resolution No. 5195 – A Resolution Allocating Discretionary Funds from the Room Rental Tax in the Amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00). [not introduced]
5. A Resolution Designating Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) Objectives. [not introduced]
6. An Ordinance Amending Fairbanks General Code Section 2-653, City Council Approval of Excess Expenditures. [not introduced]
7. An Ordinance Amending Fairbanks General Code Section 74-117, Room Rental Tax Purpose and Limitation, by Removing Term Limits for Discretionary Fund Committee Members. [not introduced]
8. An Ordinance Authorizing Public Works to Provide Services Outside the City Benefitting Tanana Valley State Fair Association in Exchange for a Snow Storage Site. [not introduced]
9. A Resolution Stating the Preference of the Council Against Remote Work and Telecommuting. [not introduced]
10. Discussion on Work Session Day/Time
11. Finance Committee Report
12. Mayor and Councilmember Comments
13. Next Regular Work Session – Tuesday, January 20, 2026, 7:00 a.m.
14. Adjournment

**ORDINANCE NO. 6333**

**AN ORDINANCE PARTIALLY RELEASING A RESTRICTIVE  
COVENANT FOR THE NOEL WIEN LIBRARY LOT**

**WHEREAS**, On December 13, 1974, the City of Fairbanks conveyed approximately 18 acres, whereupon the Noel Wien Library is situated, to the Fairbanks North Star Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the deed used to convey the property was recorded in the Fairbanks District of the State Recorder's Office in Book 0283 at Page 323 as instrument 401-1974-024549-0 (recorded deed attached for reference); and

**WHEREAS**, the deed included a revisionary interest whereby the City of Fairbanks has a possibility of reverter if the property ceased to be used solely for library and park purposes, facilities for organized athletics were ever constructed, or the Borough exceeded a certain portion of the total acreage allowable for library purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the restrictive covenants originally included in the December 1974 deed have been updated, most recently in the Substitute Deed dated June 12, 1996 and filed with the Fairbanks District of the State Recorder's Office in Book 0957 at Page 085 as instrument 401-1996-011059-0 (recorded deed attached for reference); and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities requires approximately 187 square feet of the property for the Cowles Street Reconstruction Project (detail attached as Exhibit A, Alaska Project 0641003); and

**WHEREAS**, the Fairbanks North Star Borough is interested in conveying the approximately 187 square foot portion of the property required to the State of Alaska for the Cowles Street Reconstruction Project; and

**WHEREAS**, Fairbanks General Code Sec. 70-42(b) provides that the disposition of the City's interest requires the approval of the City Council by ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** The restrictive covenants originally included in the December 13, 1974 deed, updated most recently in the Substitute Deed dated June 12, 1996, between the City of Fairbanks and Fairbanks North Star Borough, are released, but only to the extent necessary for the Fairbanks North Star Borough to convey the portion of property required by the State of Alaska for the described Cowles Street Reconstruction Project and for the State to complete the Project.

**SECTION 2.** The Mayor is authorized to execute any and all instruments, approved as to form by the City Attorney, necessary to execute this release.

**SECTION 3.** The effective date of this Ordinance is six days after adoption.

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**MINDY O'NEALL, Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

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D. Danyelle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

DEEDS

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Fairbanks Recording Dist.

Q U I T C L A I M   D E E D

This indenture made this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1974,  
between the CITY OF FAIRBANKS, a municipal corporation of  
the State of Alaska, Grantor, and

The FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH,  
a municipal corporation of the  
State of Alaska, Grantee,

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, an ordinance authorizing and directing  
the conveyance of the land hereinafter described, subject to  
the conditions hereinafter stated, was duly initiated in  
accordance with Article XII of the Home Rule Charter of the  
City of Fairbanks, and duly enacted at the annual general  
election held in the City of Fairbanks on October 8, 1974.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Grantor does hereby convey and  
quitclaim to Grantee all interest which it has in the following  
described real estate:

A parcel of land situated within the SW  
1/4 of Section 10, T1S, R1W, F.M., which  
is bound by Ninth Avenue and Smythe Street  
on the north, Barnette School and property  
owned by Green Construction Company on  
the east, Wien Park and Airport Way on the  
South, and Cowles Street on the west,  
containing eighteen (18) acres, more or  
less, also known as tax lot 30 and tax  
lot 22 of U.S. Survey 438 of the original  
townsite of Fairbanks, Alaska, and also  
known as east Weeks Field,

SUBJECT TO the following conditions, the breach of any of  
which shall cause the property automatically to revert to  
the Grantor without further action on the part of the  
Grantor:

- a) The property shall be used solely for park and  
library purposes;
- b) No facilities for organized athletics, such as  
football, baseball, or track and field, et cetera shall be  
constructed on the property;

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Fairbanks Recording Dept.

c) No more than two (2) acres shall be used for library purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Fairbanks has on the date first written above executed this deed and affixed its corporate seal.

CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

*Kathleen Day*  
KATHLEEN I. DAY, City Clerk

STATE OF ALASKA )  
FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ) ss.

ROBERT R. WOLTING, 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1974, before me, a notary public in and for the State of Alaska, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared HAROLD GILLAM, known to me to be the Mayor, and KATHLEEN I. DAY, known to me to be the City Clerk of the City of Fairbanks, the corporation that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

*Robert R. Wolting*  
Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska. My commission expires 10/14/77

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

*Francis van T. Kernan*  
FRANCIS van T. KERNAN City Attorney

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APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

*W. G. DROZ*  
W. G. DROZ City Manager

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CITY ATTORNEY  
P.O. BOX 790  
FAIRBANKS, ALASKA  
99701  
907-456-8124

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**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**SUBSTITUTE DEED**

THIS INDENTURE made and entered into this 12 day of JUNE 1996 between the CITY OF FAIRBANKS, a municipal corporation of the State of Alaska, with address of 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701, hereinafter called Grantor, and Fairbanks North Star Borough, a municipal corporation of the State of Alaska, with address of 809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701, hereinafter called Grantee.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, City Ordinance No. 5242 authorized and directed the conveyance of the property described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Grantor, for and in consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby quitclaim and convey without warranty to Grantee the following described property.

A parcel of land situated within the SW 1/4 of Section 10, T.1S., R1W., F.M., which is bounded by Ninth Avenue and Smythe Street on the north, Barnette School and property owned by Green Construction Company on the east, Wien Park and Airport Way on the south, and Cowles Street on the west, containing eighteen (18) acres, more or less, also known as Tax Lot 30 and Tax Lot 22 of U.S Survey 438 of the original Townsite of Fairbanks, Alaska, and also known as east Weeks Field, Fourth Judicial District, Fairbanks Recording District, State of Alaska.

SUBJECT TO the following conditions, the breach of any of which shall cause the property to automatically revert to the Grantor without further action on the part of the Grantor:

- (a) The property shall be used solely for park and library purposes;
- (b) No facilities for organized athletics, such as football, baseball or track and field et cetera shall be constructed on the property;
- (c) No more than nine (9) acres shall be used for library purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has on the date first written above executed this deed and affixed its corporate seal.

**CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA**

  
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JAMES C. HAYES, Mayor

(CITY SEAL)

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*Substitute Deed, Page 2*

**ATTEST:**

**NANCY L. DELEON,**  
Acting City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

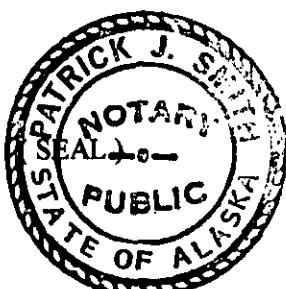
Marilyn J. Stetson  
**HERB KUSS, City Attorney**

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of Alaska )  
Fourth Judicial District ) ss

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on this 12 day of JUNE 1996, before me, the undersigned, a NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Alaska, duly commissioned and sworn as such, personally appeared **James C. Hayes**, known to me to be the Mayor of the City of Fairbanks, and **Nancy L. Deleon**, known to me to be the City Clerk of the City of Fairbanks, the municipal corporation named in the foregoing instrument, and that they acknowledged before me that they executed the same for and on behalf of said municipal corporation and under authority of said municipal corporation so granted by the Fairbanks City Council as the free and voluntary act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year  
above written.



Patrick J. Smith  
NOTARY PUBLIC: Patrick J. Smith  
Commission Expires: 04/16/97

After Recording Return To:

Patrick Smith  
Right of Way Section  
City of Fairbanks  
800 Cushman Street  
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701-4615

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FAIRBANKS REC. DISTRICT  
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# EXHIBIT A

## LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND PARCEL PLAT FOR

### PARCEL 2

ALASKA PROJECT 0641003/NFHWY00126  
COWLES STREET RECONSTRUCTION



ALASKA DOT&PF  
NORTHERN REGION  
2301 PEGER ROAD  
FAIRBANKS, AK  
99709 (907)-451-5400

## **Parcel 2**

A portion of Lot 30, Weeks Field East, described in the Deed filed May 3rd, 1985 in Book 429, Page 978, Fairbanks Recording District, Fourth Judicial District, State of Alaska; and as shown in the unrecorded survey Weeks Field East (doc. No. C5088), held in City of Fairbanks archives, surveyed by the City of Fairbanks in 1968; known as Parcel No. 2 of Alaska Project No. 0641003/NFHwy00126 and more particularly described as follows:

**COMMENCING** at a point on the Easterly right of way of Cowles Street perpendicular to Station 29+21.50 of Alignment "L1" of the alignment depicted in ADOT & PF project Cowles Street Reconstruction (0641003/NFHwy00126) a distance of 30.02 feet to the **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**;

**THENCE** N 32°13'12" E a distance of 41.52 feet to a point; to Station: 29+63.59, Offset: 35.82' Right.

**THENCE** N 24°33'39" E a distance of 36.56 feet to a point on the existing Easterly right of way of Cowles Street; to Station: 30+01.08, Offset: 35.03' Right.

**THENCE** Southerly along the existing ROW line of Cowles Street through a curve to the left with a chord that bears S 26°30'10" W and a chord length of 3.34 feet. having a radius of 1375.00 feet, a central angle of 0°08'21", an arc length of 3.34 feet; to Station: 29+97.66, Offset: 35.03' Right.

**THENCE** Southerly along the existing ROW line of Cowles Street S 31°41'30" W a distance of 46.19 feet; to Station: 29+50.66, Offset: 30.03' Right.

**THENCE** along the existing ROW line of Cowles Street through a curve to the left with a chord that bears S 23°55'51" W and a chord length of 28.53 feet. having a radius of 1380.00 feet, a central angle of 1°11'05", an arc length of 28.54 feet, and the **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**.

Containing 187 Square Feet, more or less.

## **EXHIBIT A**

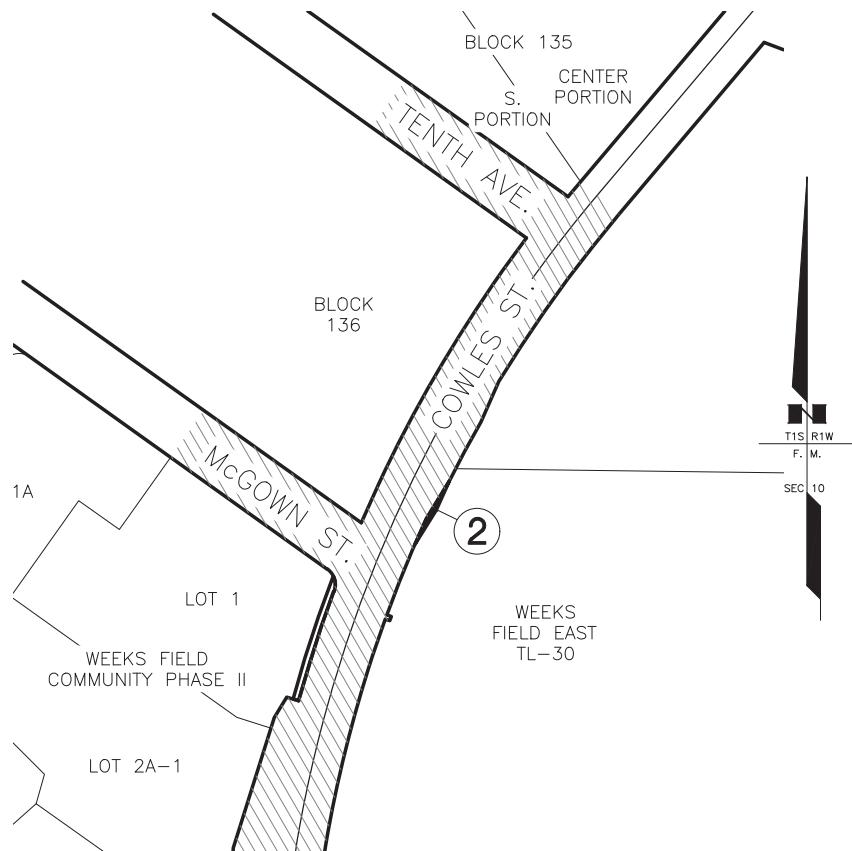
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
&  
PUBLIC FACILITIES



RIGHT OF WAY MAP

0641003/NFHwy00126

COWLES STREET RECONSTRUCTION



STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
AND PUBLIC FACILITIES

RIGHT OF WAY REQUIRED FOR  
COWLES STREET RECONSTRUCTION

**EXHIBIT A**

DRAWING

PROJECT NO. 0641003/NFHwy00126

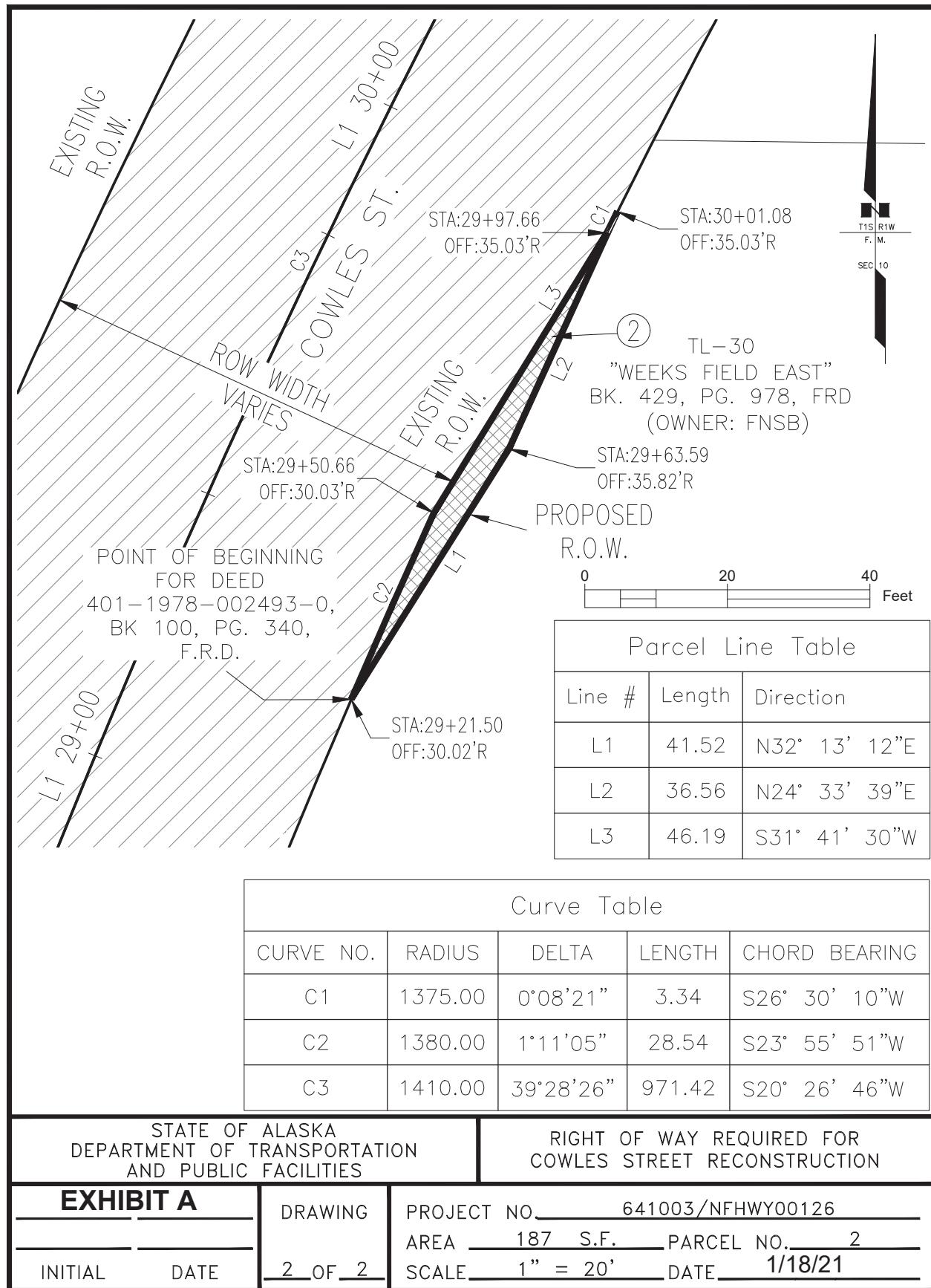
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AREA 187 S.F. PARCEL NO. 2

SCALE 1" = 200' DATE 01/18/21



Sponsored by: Councilmember Sprinkle  
Councilmember Cleworth  
Date: December 15, 2025

## **ORDINANCE NO. 6334**

### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE SECTION 2-119(a), ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDING A SET TIME DURING THE SECOND COUNCIL MEETING OF EACH MONTH FOR RECEIVING A REPORT FROM LEADERSHIP IN OUR COMMUNITY INCLUDING DENAKKANAAGA, FAIRBANKS NATIVE ASSOCIATION, TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE, DOYON, OR OTHER DESIGNATED GROUPS**

**WHEREAS**, it would be extremely beneficial for both the City of Fairbanks and leadership from the local Native community to have an ongoing dialogue covering issues that impact both entities; and

**WHEREAS**, a set meeting time each month at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting established for presentations, reports, and identifying potential problems and successes would be desirable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:**

**Section 1.** Fairbanks General Code at Section 2-119(a) is hereby amended as follows [new text in **bold/underline** font; deleted text in ~~strikethrough~~ font]:

#### **Sec. 2-119. - Order of business; citizens addressing city council.**

- (a) At every regular meeting of the city council, the order of business shall be as follows:
  - (1) Roll call.
  - (2) Invocation.
  - (3) Flag salutation.
  - (4) Ceremonial matters (proclamations, introductions, recognitions, and awards).
  - (5) Citizens' comments (oral communications to the city council on items not up for public hearing). The comment period will not exceed a total of one hour unless extended by a council vote.
  - (6) Approval of agenda and consent agenda. Consent agenda items are indicated by asterisks (\*). Consent agenda items are considered together unless a council member requests that the item be returned to the general agenda. Ordinances on the approved consent agenda are automatically advanced to the next regular meeting for second reading and public hearing. All other items on the approved consent agenda are passed as final.

- (7) Approval of minutes of previous meetings.
- (8) Special orders.

**(9) Report from Fairbanks Native Organizations (second meeting of each month only)**

- (910) Mayor's comments and report.
- (~~10~~11) Council members' comments.
- (~~11~~12) Unfinished business.
- (~~12~~13) New business.
- (~~13~~14) Written communication to the city council.
- (~~14~~15) Committee reports and council members' comments.
- (~~15~~16) City clerk's report.
- (~~16~~17) City attorney's report.
- (~~17~~18) Executive session (if necessary).
- (~~18~~19) Adjournment.

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**Section 2.** The effective date of this ordinance is six days after adoption.

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**Mindy O'Neal, City Mayor**

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

**RESOLUTION NO. 5195**

**A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING DISCRETIONARY FUNDS FROM  
THE ROOM RENTAL TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR  
HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$400,000.00)**

**WHEREAS**, the total amount of discretionary funds from the room rental tax for the FY2026 budget is four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor appointed a committee to review grant applications from organizations to determine how and to whom these funds should be distributed; and

**WHEREAS**, although most proposals were laudable and had merit, there is only a limited amount of funds available; and

**WHEREAS**, after due deliberation the Discretionary Fund Committee is bringing forth this recommendation for City Council consideration.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, that:

**Section 1.** The following named recipients are hereby allocated the total sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00) as follows:

	<b>Name of Organization</b>	<b>Award</b>
1	Fairbanks Youth Litter Patrol, Inc.	\$ 13,833.00
2	Alaska Songbird Institute	\$ 9,192.00
3	Alaska International Senior Games, Inc.	\$ 15,000.00
4	Tanana Yukon Historical Society	\$ 10,340.00
5	Pioneer Memorial Park, Inc. dba Fairbanks Pioneer Museum	\$ 16,000.00
6	World I.C.E. Art Championships dba Ice Alaska	\$ 28,877.00
7	Fairbanks Community Band	\$ 11,167.00
8	Georgeson Botanical Garden Friends	\$ 13,417.00
9	Alaska Dog Mushers Association	\$ 20,167.00
10	Nordic Ski Club of Fairbanks	\$ 12,167.00
11	Colt Steel Pan Orchestra	\$ 3,067.00
12	Friends of Creamer's Field	\$ 14,750.00

	<b>Name of Organization (continued)</b>	<b>Award</b>
13	Fairbanks Children's Museum	\$ 13,917.00
14	Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce	\$ 15,417.00
15	Clay Street Cemetery (Commission)	\$ 11,876.00
16	Festival Fairbanks	\$ 24,833.00
17	Downtown Association of Fairbanks Community Services	\$ 11,048.00
18	Literacy Council of Alaska	\$ 9,481.00
19	Fairbanks Community Museum	\$ 18,667.00
20	Fairbanks Curling Club	\$ 13,500.00
21	Alaska Goldpanner Baseball, Inc.	\$ 27,167.00
22	The World Eskimo-Indian Olympics	\$ 23,333.00
23	Fairbanks Arts Association	\$ 43,701.00
24	UA Museum of the North	\$ 7,288.00
25	Golden Heart Consulting	\$ 4,879.00
26	Museums Alaska	\$ 6,916.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 400,000.00</b>

**Section 2.** The effective date of this resolution is six days after adoption.

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**Mindy O'Neall, City Mayor**

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING FAIRBANKS ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (FEDC) OBJECTIVES**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 6250, adopted by the Council on June 26, 2023, changed the room rental tax allocations in Fairbanks General Code Chapter 74 allocation to the Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) from \$100,000 to \$150,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 5153, approved by the Council on January 13, 2025, supported FEDC application to become the official Alaska Regional Development Organization (ARDOR) for the Interior Region of Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, FEDC was officially recorded as the ARDOR on December 6, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks provides room rental tax for the primary purpose of funding services for the promotion of the tourist industry and other economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the council's intent to state the objectives for the allocation to FEDC.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS ALASKA**, as follows:

**Section 1.** That FEDC will use the funds to achieve the following objectives:

- a. Update the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) report by June 2026.
- b. Finalize the Housing Action Plan with status updates on tasks and rank of potential costs to implement in coordination with University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) and Cold Climate Housing Research Center (CCHRC) by July 2026.
- c. Identify \$2.0 million in regional development grants for Fairbanks, identify a grant review committee, and prepare report of grant timelines by August 2026.

**Section 2.** That FEDC will provide quarterly updates at Council meetings and the progress and accomplishment of the goals and objectives in a report by September 1, 2026.

**Section 3.** That the effective date of this resolution is six days after adoption.

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**Mindy O'Neall, Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT  
APPROVED:

ATTEST: APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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D. Danyelle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE SECTION 2-653,  
CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF EXCESS EXPENDITURES**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council develop an annual budget that provides for general and capital expenses with available revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's budget is approved by an ordinance that requires at least two readings and must provide an opportunity for public testimony; and

**WHEREAS**, any amendments to the City's budget must also be by ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, Fairbanks General Code currently allows for an appropriation by resolution under Sec. 2-149; and

**WHEREAS**, unlike an ordinance that requires two readings, a resolution can be adopted after only one reading per Fairbanks General Code Sec. 2-147(b) and does not require an opportunity for public testimony; and

**WHEREAS**, there are specific circumstances that may call for an appropriation by resolution, however it is generally preferable to appropriate funds using an ordinance so the public has more notice and better opportunity for public testimony.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:**

**Section 1.** Fairbanks General Code Sec. 2-653 is hereby amended as follows [new text in **bold/underline** font; deleted text in **strikethrough** font]:

**Sec. 2-653. - City council approval of excess expenditures.**

**(a)** ~~The director of finance **chief financial officer** shall not permit without city council approval **by ordinance**, during any budget year, unless expressly provided for in Charter or Code **otherwise**, any expenditure or contract or incurring of any liability, **in excess of the amount appropriated for each department, except that**~~

**(b)** ~~t~~**The director of finance **chief financial officer** is authorized to accept grants of restricted funds from asset forfeiture programs without city council preapproval so long as there is no financial obligation placed upon the city. Examples of such grants are asset forfeiture proceeds under state, federal or local law. The proceeds of such grants shall **must** be held in a trust account and not be included in the general fund. The mayor is authorized to expend such grant funds in accord with the restrictions placed upon the grant without an appropriating**

ordinance. An annual report of all such receipts and expenditures shall be made by the ~~director of finance~~ **chief financial officer** to the mayor and city council in January of each subsequent year.

**Section 2.** The effective date of this ordinance is six days after adoption.

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**Mindy O'Neall, City Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

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D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

Sponsored by: Councilmember Marney  
Introduced: January 12, 2026

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE SEC. 74-117,  
ROOM RENTAL TAX PURPOSE AND LIMITATION, BY REMOVING  
TERM LIMITS FOR DISCRETIONARY FUND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**WHEREAS**, Fairbanks General Code Sec. 74-117(g)(2) provides for the make up of the Discretionary Fund Committee, including terms and term limits; and

**WHEREAS**, term limits do not exist for other City boards or commissions.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA**, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Fairbanks General Code Sec. 774-117(g) is hereby amended as follows [new text in **bold/underlined** font; deleted text in ~~strikethrough~~ font]:

**Sec. 74-117. Room rental tax purpose and limitation.**

\* \* \* \* \*

(g) The city council establishes the following criteria and process for discretionary grants.

- (1) The primary purpose of discretionary grants is the promotion of the tourism industry and other economic development in the City of Fairbanks. Discretionary grants cannot support the following:
  - a. Loans, deficits, or debt reduction.
  - b. Endowments.
  - c. Scholarships.
  - d. Health and social services activities.
- (2) A discretionary fund committee will be composed of five community members and a council person, who will function as the chair, all appointed by the mayor. The members of the committee will serve three-year terms ~~with a limit of two consecutive full terms~~. Unless appointed to fill a vacancy, terms begin July 1 and expire June 30.

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**SECTION 2.** The effective date of this ordinance is six days after adoption.

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**Mindy O'Neall, Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

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D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

Sponsored by: Mayor Mindy O'Neill  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PUBLIC WORKS TO PROVIDE SERVICES  
OUTSIDE THE CITY BENEFITTING TANANA VALLEY STATE FAIR  
ASSOCIATION IN EXCHANGE FOR A SNOW STORAGE SITE**

**WHEREAS**, the City has an interest in expeditiously removing snow in the most cost-efficient manner from city streets in or about the Aurora and Johnson housing subdivisions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tanana Valley State Fair Association (TVSFA) has available space at its nearby fairground property on which the City may store snow; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and TVSFA have determined it is in the best interests of each to provide mutual assistance to the other for snow storage on fairground property by the City in exchange for the City performing related snow removal, providing certain improvement services, and removing any trash caused by and remaining after the City's snow removal activities upon TVSFA's fairground property; and

**WHEREAS**, the City owns and maintains equipment and retains personnel able to store snow and provide various levels of improvement services; and

**WHEREAS**, FGC 2-656 requires the Council's express approval by ordinance for any city service provided to any entity outside the political boundaries of the city; and

**WHEREAS**, TVSFA's fairground, where the envisioned activities will be conducted, is located on College Road, outside the city's boundaries.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:**

**Section 1.** The Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Tanana Valley State Fair Association for certain services, to be identified by the Mayor and Director of Public Works, in exchange for the City's use of the fairground property for snow storage.

**Section 2.** This ordinance expressly provides the authority to the Mayor necessary to satisfy FGC 2-656 to enter into like agreements on an annual basis at the Mayor's discretion until such time that the authority is revoked by resolution of the City Council.

**Section 3.** The cost of the services, along with any proceeds, called for in the agreement will be included in Public Works' annual operating budget.

**Section 4.** The effective date of this ordinance is six days after adoption.

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**Mindy O'Neill, Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

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D. Danyelle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

Introduced by: Council Member Ringstad,  
Council Member Marney.  
Introduced: [not yet introduced]

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION STATING THE PREFERENCE OF THE COUNCIL  
AGAINST REMOTE WORK AND TELECOMMUTING**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks currently has approximately 200 employees, each earning a competitive wage with good benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the City to encourage those employees to live in Fairbanks, to experience first-hand what community members experience, and to spend their earnings here at home; and

**WHEREAS**, the City should have policies that encourage opportunities for employment and promotion for local residents; and

**WHEREAS**, health and safety, wage and hour, tax, and other state and local laws and regulations governing employees depend on where the employee is working, not where the employer is located; and

**WHEREAS**, managing all the compliance issues becomes even more burdensome when multiple employees are working remotely in different jurisdictions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** It is the general policy preference of the City of Fairbanks to discourage out-of-state, long-term, remote work of its employees.

**SECTION 2.** To the extent possible, the administration is encouraged to incorporate this policy preference into practice.

**SECTION 3.** The effective date of this resolution is six days after adoption.

**PASSED and APPROVED this \_\_\_\_th day of \_\_\_\_ 2026.**

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**Mindy O'Neill, Mayor**

AYES:  
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ATTEST:

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