

# FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR WORK SESSION AGENDA TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2025 AT 7 A.M.



MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA <u>ZOOM WEBINAR</u>
AND AT FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Ordinance No. 6315 An Ordinance Amending the 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Second Time. [not introduced]
- 3. Resolution No. 5175 A Resolution Establishing the Rate of Levy of 2025 Real Property Taxes for the City of Fairbanks, Alaska. [not introduced]
- 4. Resolution No. 5176 A Resolution Amending the City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services by Adjusting Garbage Collection Rates. [not introduced]
- 5. Finance Committee Report
- 6. Mayor and Councilmember Comments
- 7. Special Work Session Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 7:00 a.m.
- 8. Next Regular Work Session Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 7:00 a.m.
- 9. Adjournment

Introduced By: Mayor David Pruhs

Introduced: June 9, 2025

### **ORDINANCE NO. 6315**

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE SECOND TIME

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance incorporates the changes outlined on the attached fiscal note to amend the 2025 operating and capital budgets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows [amendments shown in **bold** font; deleted text in strikethrough font]:

**SECTION 1.** There is hereby appropriated to the 2025 General Fund and Capital Fund budgets the following sources of revenue and expenditures in the amounts indicated to the departments named for the purpose of conducting the business of the City of Fairbanks, Alaska, for the fiscal year commencing on January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025 (see pages 2 and 3):

# **GENERAL FUND**

		PPROVED COUNCIL	IN	ICREASE		ROPOSED COUNCIL
REVENUE		ROPRIATION		ECREASE)		PROPRIATION
Taxes (all sources)	\$	28,913,515	\$	-	\$	28,913,515
Charges for Services	•	6,579,500		261,000	·	6,840,500
Intergovernmental Revenues		2,476,080		385,390		2,861,470
Licenses and Permits		2,193,805		4,000		2,197,805
Fines and Forfeitures		551,000		-		551,000
Interest and Penalties		1,515,000		-		1,515,000
Rental and Lease Income		158,539		10,000		168,539
Other Revenues		250,000		100,000		350,000
Other Financing Sources		684,287		<u> </u>		684,287
Total revenue appropriation	\$	43,321,726	\$	760,390	\$	44,082,116
EXPENDITURES						
Mayor Department	\$	892,030	\$	2,000	\$	894,030
Legal Department		262,760		-		262,760
Office of the City Clerk		631,872		-		631,872
Finance Department		1,066,350		-		1,066,350
Information Technology		2,935,442		15,000		2,950,442
General Account		6,976,881		50,000		7,026,881
Police Department		8,246,201		615,823		8,862,024
Communications Center		3,011,380		615,565		3,626,945
Fire Department		10,808,559		80,000		10,888,559
Public Works Department		9,863,143		-		9,863,143
Engineering Department		1,186,431		-		1,186,431
Building Department		849,750			-	849,750
Total expenditure appropriation	\$	46,730,799	\$	1,378,388	\$	48,109,187
2024 unassigned fund balance	\$	19,076,765	\$	(69,910)	\$	19,006,855
Prior year encumbrances		(274,662)				(274,662)
Transfers to other funds		(4,770,000)		-		(4,770,000)
Other changes to the budget		1,635,589		(617,998)		1,017,591
2025 estimated unassigned fund balance	\$	15,667,692	\$	(687,908)	\$	14,979,784
Minimum unassigned fund balance requirem	ent is	20% of budgeted	l annı	ıal		
expenditures but not less than \$10,000,000.		_			\$	9,621,837

# **CAPITAL FUND**

REVENUE		PPROVED COUNCIL ROPRIATION		ROPOSED COUNCIL ROPRIATION		
Transfer from Permanent Fund	\$	724,486	\$	CREASE)	\$	724,486
Transfer from General Fund	Ψ	4,000,000	Ψ	-	Ψ	4,000,000
Property Repair & Replacement		150,000				150,000
Public Works		250,000		_		250,000
Garbage Equipment Reserve		291,600		_		291,600
IT		75,000		_		75,000
Police		300,000		_		300,000
Communications Center		140,000		_		140,000
Fire		760,000		_		760,000
Building		10,000		_		10,000
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Total revenue appropriation	\$	6,701,086	\$	-	\$	6,701,086
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EXPENDITURES						
Property Repair & Replacement	\$	6,063,649	\$	610,000	\$	6,673,649
Public Works Department		1,830,687		-		1,830,687
Garbage Equipment Reserve		849,050		-		849,050
IT Department		247,440		86,000		333,440
Police Department		942,680		50,000		992,680
Fire Department		1,755,260		35,000		1,790,260
Road Maintenance		3,959,329		-		3,959,329
Building Department		67,000				67,000
Total expenditure appropriation	\$	15,715,095	\$	781,000	\$	16,496,095
2024 fund balance	\$	21,341,786	\$	(305)	\$	21,341,481
Prior year encumbrances		(3,787,165)		-		(3,787,165)
Prior year reappropriations		(1,319,588)		-		(1,319,588)
Transfers from other funds		4,491,326		(704.000)		4,491,326
Other changes to the budget		(8,398,582)		(781,000)		(9,179,582)
2025 estimated fund balance	\$	12,327,777	\$	(781,305)	\$	11,546,472
Estimated unassigned capital fund balance for	r projed	cts			\$	6,179,158

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance also appropriates the use of emergency snow removal funds in the amount of \$250,000 as designated by the Mayor.

**SECTION 3.** All appropriations made by this ordinance lapse at the end of the fiscal year to the extent they have not been expended or contractually committed to the departments named for the purpose of conducting the business of said departments of the City of Fairbanks, Alaska, for the fiscal year commencing on January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025.

**SECTION 4.** The effective date of this ordinance shall be six days after adoption.

	David Pruhs, Mayor
AYES: NAYS: ABSENT: ADOPTED:	
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
D. Danvielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk	Thomas A. Chard II. City Attorney

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

# ORDINANCE NO. 6315 AMENDING THE 2025 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE SECOND TIME

# GENERAL FUND \$760,390 Increase in Revenue \$1,378,388 Increase in Expenditures

#### Revenue

- 1. Tax Revenue
- 2. Charges for Services
  - \$375,000 increase to ambulance services (Resolution 5168)
  - (\$120,000) decrease to fire protection services due to changes in fire service area
  - \$6,000 increase to fire inspections (Resolution 5168)
- 3. Intergovernmental Revenues
  - \$49,910 increase to SEMT reimbursement
  - \$335,480 increase to community assistance program
- 4. License and Permits
  - \$4,000 increase to private ambulance license (Ordinance 6303)
- Interest and Penalties
- Rental and Lease
  - \$10,000 increase to Denali Commission Lease (Ordinance 6310)
- 7. Other Revenue
  - \$100,000 increase to investment income for Series II account
- 8. Other Financing Sources

## **Expenditures**

- 1. Mayor's Office
  - \$2,000 increase to community promotions
- 2. City Attorney's Office

- 3. City Clerk's Office
- 4. Finance Department
- 5. Information Technology
  - \$15,000 increase to computer service fiber
- 6. General Account
  - \$50,000 increase to street lighting for maintenance
- 7. Police Department
  - \$615,823 increase to salaries and benefits (Ordinance 6311)
  - Provide legal defense funds for the Police Chief as a benefit (annual cost \$72)
- 8. Communications Center
  - \$615,565 increase to salaries and benefits (Ordinance 6311)
- 9. Fire Department
  - \$20,000 increase to training for new hires and fire marshals
  - \$60,000 increase to professional services for ambulance billing (\$50,000) and SEMT fees (\$10,000)
- 10. Public Works
- 11. Engineering
- 12. Building Department

## **CAPITAL FUND**

# \$0 Increase in Revenue \$781,000 Increase in Expenditures

### Revenue

1. Other Financing Sources

## **Expenditures**

- 1. Property Repair & Replacement
  - \$60,000 increase for fire training center upgrades phase I
  - \$500,000 increase for fire training center upgrades phase II
  - \$50,000 increase for Golden Heart Plaza security upgrade
- 2. Public Works
- 3. Garbage Equipment Reserve
- 4. IT Department
  - \$86,000 increase for storage area network (two units)
- 5. Police Department
  - \$50,000 increase for police vehicles upfits
- 6. Communications Center
- 7. Fire Department
  - \$35,000 increase for fire tender vehicle
- 8. Road Maintenance

# Resolution No. 5175

Printed copies will be hand-carried and available the morning of the Regular Work Session

Introduced by: Mayor David Pruhs Introduced: June 9, 2025

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 5176**

## A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES BY ADJUSTING GARBAGE COLLECTION RATES

**WHEREAS**, Section 66-22 of Fairbanks General Code provides that garbage collection rates be adjusted each year to reflect the annual change in the Anchorage Consumer Price Index (CPI) as well as changes in tipping fees charged by the Fairbanks North Star Borough landfill; and

WHEREAS, the change in the annual CPI was 2.2 percent for 2024; and

**WHEREAS,** the Fairbanks North Star Borough landfill tipping fees increased by \$5.00/ton in July 2024, and the Borough is proposing an increase of \$3.00/ton in July 2025.

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

**SECTION 1.** The Fairbanks City Council approves the attached version of the *City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services* amending garbage collection rates.

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

PASSED and APPROVED this 9th Day of June 2025.

	David Pruhs, City Mayor
YEAS: NAYS: ABSENT: APPROVED:	
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
D. Danvielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk	Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

Resolution 5176 - Effective July 1, 2025									
Category	Code Sec.	Topic	Cu	rrent Fee	Prop	osed Fee	Unit Description		
		Single Family Dwelling	\$	96.00	\$	99.00	Per quarter (rounded)		
`arbaga	66-22	Duplex	\$	192.00	\$	198.00			
Garbage Collection	00-22	Triplex	\$	288.00	\$	297.00			
		Fourplex	\$	384.00	\$	396.00			
	66-23	Senior Rate (75% of single family dwelling)	\$	72.00	\$	74 00	Per quarter (rounded)		

### **FISCAL NOTE RESOLUTION 5176**

**Garbage Collection Fee Adjustment - 2025/2026** 

Fairbanks General Code does not allow inclusion of postage, mailing supplies, and mailing services.

Category	Current- Deferred Rate Per Quarter	Anchorage Annual CPI for 2024	CPI Adjusted Rate		Tipping Fees Increase, (see detail below)		Increase, (see		Total	Increased Rate Per QTR (rounded)	
Garbage Collection	\$ 96.00	102.20%	\$ 98.11		\$ 1.00		\$ 99.12	\$	99.00		

Tipping Fee Increase De	tail							
Jul to Dec 2024 & Jan to Jun 2025 Total Tons	Units	AVG Tons/Unit	\$ Increase Per Ton	\$ \$ Per Year		\$ Per QTR	I	ncreased Rate Per QTR (rounded)
2670	5,207	51.28%	5.00	\$ 2.56	\$	0.64	9	\$ 0.64
2515	5,207	48.30%	3.00	\$ 1.45	\$	0.36	Ş	\$ 0.36

The current rate is \$142 per ton. On July 1, 2025, the rate will increase to \$145.

Amount of Increase \$ 3.00

Quarterly Increase \$ 15,621.00

Semi-Annual Increase \$ 31,242.00

**NOTE:** Garbage Collection Revenue and Expenditures

	2022	2023	2024				
Revenue	\$ 2,272,819	\$ 2,292,209	\$	2,285,916			
Expenditures	\$ 2,079,567	\$ 2,394,590	\$	2,176,455			



# City of Fairbanks Finance Committee Meeting Report May 22, 2025

Committee Members Present: Margarita Bell

Joshua Church

Council Member Cleworth Alesia Kruckenberg (online) Council Member Ringstad

Michael Sanders

Council Member Sprinkle

Committee Members Absent: None

Committee members reviewed the following reports as of April 30, 2025:

- General Fund Balance Sheet with a fund balance of \$16.3 million
- Cash Flow Report with a balance of \$27.5 million
- General Fund Revenues and Expenditures Report with revenues of \$17.1 million and expenditures of \$15.0 million

Committee members reviewed the proposed second budget amendment. Committee members expressed concerns about the increasing costs. Jerry Cleworth recommended that a minimum balance be established for the Capital Fund.

Committee members approved the change in the capitalization threshold for buildings from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000 effective January 1, 2025.

Committee members reviewed costs for revenues exceeding \$500,000 and determined no additional information is needed. The committee will review the schedule of fees with CPI impacts for discussion at the next meeting.

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 7:00 a.m. in the Meeks Conference Room.