Sponsored by: Councilmembers Marney, Tidwell, and Sprinkle
Date: October 12, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 5237

A RESOLUTION FURTHER DEVELOPING THE CITY'S APPROACH TO BLIGHTED PROPERTIES, DANGEROUS BUILDINGS, VACANT BUILDINGS, AND CHRONIC NUISANCES THROUGH INCREASED COORDINATION AND COLLABORATION

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks has made admirable progress the past couple of years in addressing blighted properties, dangerous buildings, vacant buildings, and chronic nuisances; and

WHEREAS, the City is constantly working to ensure individuals have a healthy and safe community by addressing community concerns and improving the City's response to those concerns; and

WHEREAS, community members provide concerns and complaints to the City through a variety of channels including 911 calls, FPD and FECC non-emergency lines, direct conversations with City employees and Council Members, email, the City's "Tell It To City Hall" form, calls to the Mayor's Office and City departments, written submissions delivered in person at City Hall, and public comments during Council Meetings; and

WHEREAS, Fairbanks General Code (FGC) provides clear definitions for determining when a property qualifies as blighted (FGC 10-208), dangerous (FGC 10-206), vacant (FGC 10-207), and a chronic nuisance (FGC 46-211); and

WHEREAS, these definitions often rely on reported community concerns that lead to a prescribed response; and

WHEREAS, the City Council would like to ensure that all concerns and complaints are counted, considered in the determination of whether the thresholds are met to define a blighted property, dangerous building, vacant building, and chronic nuisance property, and are informing the City's response.

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

SECTION 1. The Council requests that the Administration examine what systems and resources are currently in place, identify any shortcomings, and report back to the Council on proposed solutions that ensure all complaints and concerns are captured, counted, and considered.

SECTION 2. The Administration will report back to Council no later than January 31, 2027 with its recommendations.

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

Mindy O'Neall, Mayor

YEAS: PASSED on the CONSENT AGENDA
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Sprinkle
ADOPTED: October 12, 2026

ATTEST:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney