



# CITY OF WASILLA

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## COUNCIL MEMORANDUM NO. 94-88

From: Mayor John C. Stein  
Date: December 7, 1994  
SUBJECT: VETO MESSAGE - RESOLUTION NO. WR94-69, ADOPTING A NEW FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE WASILLA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

At the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on the 28th of November, 1994, the above subject Resolution was approved by Council vote.

After further staff investigation and consideration of additional analysis of fee schedules, the passage of Resolution WR94-69 is hereby vetoed. I respectfully request Council to consider adopting new Resolution 94-76 setting somewhat higher tie-down rates.

With near future airport improvement projects, a fueling facility and paving in place, it will be easy to justify higher rates but politically difficult to raise them.

The Palmer City Manager reports that they are losing aircraft to Anchorage, primarily because of the Borough personal property tax. At the tie-down low rate proposed, to match Palmer, we will still not be able to attract those aircraft from Palmer who will move anyway. A possibility exists where Palmer may revisit their current fee schedule to reflect lost revenues.

The City of Palmer basically gives their customers 1 month free rent on a yearly basis versus a monthly charge - a savings of \$19.92.

If we reduce our fee to that of Palmer we will lose approximately \$6,300 in revenue, and, would have to attract an additional 23 aircraft customers on a yearly rental, based on our current average of 35 monthly aircraft customers, in order to maintain our current level of revenue produced.

If we maintain our current monthly rate of \$25 and lower the yearly rate to \$250, as opposed to \$300 (12 X \$25), and attract those same 23 aircraft as a result of pending improvements we can anticipate a revenue increase of about \$4,000 per year.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council consideration and approval of Resolution WR94-76 attached, setting Tie-down space fees at \$25 per month, \$125 for 6 months, and \$250 per year. Other fees as listed in Resolution No. WR94-69 fee schedule to remain the same as passed.

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# AIRPORT RATE SURVEY

AIRPORT	#	TIE DOWNS	RATES	SURFACE	AMENITIES PROVIDED
<u>Bid Lake</u> State-owned		Not marked	No charge	Gravel	None provided Fuel sales, phone, 24 private leased tie- downs @ \$30/mo
<u>Birchwood</u> State-owned		Not Known	\$35 pull-thru 25 back in	Paved Paved	Paved & lighted runway, fenced, private fuel sales, snow removal.
<u>Homer</u> State-owned		25 est.	No charge	Paved	Paved spots, runway, parking, navigational lights, A.W.O.S., lighted runway, fenced with card system security, two private fuel sales, 4700 sq. ft. building owned by City with telephone, gift shop, coffee shop.
<u>Juneau</u> City-owned		68	\$40/mo	Paved	Anchor, snow removal, 24 hour security, fenced
<u>Kenai</u> City-owned		75	\$20-40/mo	Paved	Water, anchors, snow removal, fenced
Leased from Kenai Municipality		12	\$40/mo	Gravel	Anchors, snow removal, electricity available
<u>Kodiak Municipal</u>		33	\$30/mo	Gravel	Snow removal; tie-downs granted on a 5 year term

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<u>Ketchikan</u>	18	\$24/mo	Paved	Anchors, snow removal, fenced
<u>Merrill Field</u>	690	\$40 tail in \$50 drive thru	210 Paved 422 Gravel	Electricity extra chg.
<u>Palmer</u>	100	\$16.66/mo \$180 yr	Paved	Paved runway & parking, fenced, snow removal, 2-3 private fuel sales, telephone at FAA Station. All are pull through.
<u>Sitka</u>	33	\$25/mo \$275/yr	Paved	Anchors, snow removal as time permits
<u>Soldotna</u>	184	\$30/mo.	Paved	Lighted runway, paved parking and runway, navi- gational lights, A.W.O.S., telephone, one private fuel sales, fenced, electricity available.
<u>Talkeetna</u>	10 est.	No Charge	Paved	Paved runway and parking, lighted runway, 1 private fuel sales, telephone
<u>Wasilla</u>	98	\$25/mo	Compacted	Lighted runway, phone, snowplowing, sanitary dis- posal, oil disposal, Notam weather Reporting, aircraft service & repair, security, leased tie- downs with anchors, transient parking, 44 vehicle parking spaces, Best scenery in Alaska!

November, 1994