



# CITY OF WASILLA

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## COUNCIL MEMORANDUM NO. 96-17

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**FROM:** Finance

**DATE:** February 21, 1996

**SUBJECT:** Utility Bills at 301 and 321 Parks Highway

On or about January 18, 1996, while Public Works was reading the utility meters, it was discovered that the water meter remote numbers at 301 and 321 Parks Highway were reversed during installation. Until March 24, 1993 this was not a problem as the same person or company was paying the bills for both buildings. After that date the tenant at 301 Parks Highway started to pay the water/sewer bill for that building. This resulted in the tenant over paying the utilities for 301 Parks Hwy. and the landlord underpay the utilities for 321 Parks Hwy.

Two meetings were held on February 13, 1996 one each with the owner and the tenant. Myself, Sharon Sinko and Jack Felton attended the meetings to explain the situation and get the problem resolved.

Refer to the attached letters which explain the situation and the steps that have been taken to correct this problem along with staff recommendations for the outstanding utility bills still due for the services provided.

I spoke with John the Owner of J & A Investments on February 20, 1996. He disagrees with the findings and recommendations of staff and believes that the entire bill should be forgiven. He was again advised to contact the Mayors office to arrange to speak at the council meeting on February 26, 1996 regarding this subject.

Per Wasilla Municipal Code 5.10.160, Mayor Stein stated that any resolution to this problem would have to be approved by City Council. Finance respectfully request that Council review this situation, the staff recommendation and the comments from J & A Investments and give the staff direction on the resolution of the outstanding portion of J & A Investments utility bill.

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Senior Accountant

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