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COUNCIL MEMORANDUM 96-89

From: John T. Felton, Public Works Director/City Engineer
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Subject: Fishhook-Peck-Spruce Intersection

The City has been afforded an opportunity to break the impasse with the State for the Peck Street - Wasilla Fishhook intersection. As part of a maintenance project, the State has agreed to pay for the paving portion of widening this intersection. The widening is necessary to allow for turn lanes on Fishhook. The City would be required to obtain the necessary right-of-way and pay for the subbase portion of the work.

The Contractor has given the State a proposal to complete this work under a change order to the existing state contract. These prices are slightly higher than the cost that the City's engineer had projected for the work. The higher costs are not unreasonable and are offset by the City not having to pay for full plans and specifications, state review of the plans, advertising costs and next year's construction costs. In addition, it would open Peck Street and give city residents full use of the street this winter.

There are funds available from the Peck Street project to pay for the construction costs over the amount being requested in Ordinance 96-52. The project would widen Fishhook and pave the remainder of Peck Street. The whole project can be completed within the next two weeks.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends that the Council adopt Ordinance 96-52 and direct Administration to complete the paving of Peck Street and the intersection of Peck and Wasilla Fishhook with DOT/PF.

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