

COUNCIL MEMORANDUM
NO. 97-33

FROM: Councilwoman Keller
DATE: May 15, 1997
SUBJECT: Melanie Avenue Road Closure Public Hearing

Since our last meeting on May 12, 1997, I have spoken with various agencies who may be affected if the City were to consider a temporary closure of Melanie Avenue.

The proposed closure would take effect on June 1, 1997 and would end on August 31, 1997 for a re-opening of September 1, 1997.

Kevin Koechlein, Mat-Su Emergency Services, has indicated there would be no problem with a temporary closure. However, if the City were to place a gate with a lock on it on the road, he would like a key for the lock.

Marietta Reid, School Transportation Services, indicated that there were no children located on Melanie Avenue for school bus service. A closure would not affect them.

I spoke with Kent Bull, U. S. Postmaster for Wasilla. There are cluster boxes at the East end of Melanie that would not be affected by a closure. Mr. Bull indicated he did not see a problem with a temporary barricade, but could not put this in writing unless he was petitioned by the City.

Recommend: Schedule a public hearing on June 9, 1997 for the temporary summer closure of Melanie Avenue. My recommendation would be for the least expensive type of closure that could be easily moved by emergency vehicles.

Dianne M. Keller, Councilwoman

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