## WASILLA CITY COUNCIL ACTION MEMORANDUM

CM No. 00-06

SUBJECT:

Award of Professional Services Contract for

**Preliminary Engineering and Cost Estimates** 

PREPARED BY:

Public Works

Presented to council on 1/34/200 Action taken: Denker

DATE:

January 17, 2000

Verified by

FOR AGENDA OF: January 24, 2000

**SUMMARY:** Engineering services are needed to prepare construction cost estimates to be used in the Feasibility Report (City Code 2.60.070) for street improvements in three proposed LIDs.

**BACKGROUND:** Interest in forming street improvement LIDs has been growing. One petition was received from the majority of property owners a few months ago (Centaur/Centine), and a second one was received in January (Cottonwoodengineering cost estimate to be paid for by developer).

Additionally, the City mailed an informal poll letter to several neighborhoods in December. (An example is attached.) Over 400 property owners in three areas (maps attached) received a letter. Only one area responded with a resounding yes, Snowhill/Delwood/Glendale streets.

The two other mailing areas had only 10-20% positive response rates. We will send letters to them stating that there was not enough interest expressed to proceed with engineering cost estimates.

However, there was one "sub-area" where many property owners expressed sufficient interest to form a LID. This area is described as the Grubstake LID (map attached).

To recap, engineering cost estimates to be used in Feasibility reports are needed for:

- 1. Centaur/Centine LID
- 2. GVC II GGL I LID (Dellwood/Snowhill Avenues)
- 3. Prospector Hills LID

Alaska Rim Engineering, Inc. has successfully designed street LIDs for the City and is qualified to perform these proposed services. Alaska Rim's estimated fee is \$42,000 to conduct surveying & preliminary engineering and submit cost estimates for these three LIDs and for Cache Drive (non-LID street). (Cache Drive is located adjacent to Pioneer Hills. Paving Cache Street from Lucus to Crestwood provides continuous pavement from Lucus to Lucille.)

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For Council to award the professional services contract for Preliminary Engineering and Cost Estimates in the amount of \$42,000.

Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, Mayor



## CITY OF WASILLA

290 E. HERNING AVE.
WASILLA, ALASKA 99654-7091
PHONE: (907) 373-9050
FAX: (907) 373-9085

December 16, 1999

Dear Property Owner,

Do you want your road paved? The City is asking for your input about paving your neighborhood streets. If you and your neighbors are willing to pay one-third of the project costs, the City will pay the other two-thirds. The process is called forming a "Special Assessment District."

Forming an assessment district takes several steps. For now, we want to know if you are interested in the City starting the formal process. This is the first step. If you and your neighbors express interest in paving, the City will obtain engineering cost estimates and will hold public meetings. The last step involves a formal vote by the property owners via registered mail. The assessment district is formed only when more than 50 % of the property owners vote yes on the maximum dollar amount.

The primary questions concerning an assessment district are how much will it cost and for how long payments can be made. The initial estimate for your share is \$2,300.00. You have up to ten years to pay the assessment.

We ask that you fill out the form on the bottom and return it to the Public Works Department. Answering yes does not form an assessment district. "Yes" tells us that you want the City to pay for preliminary engineering and to work with you in starting the assessment district process.

Serving You,

Sarah Patin, Mayor

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YES, I am interested in the City starting the assessment district process to pave my road.

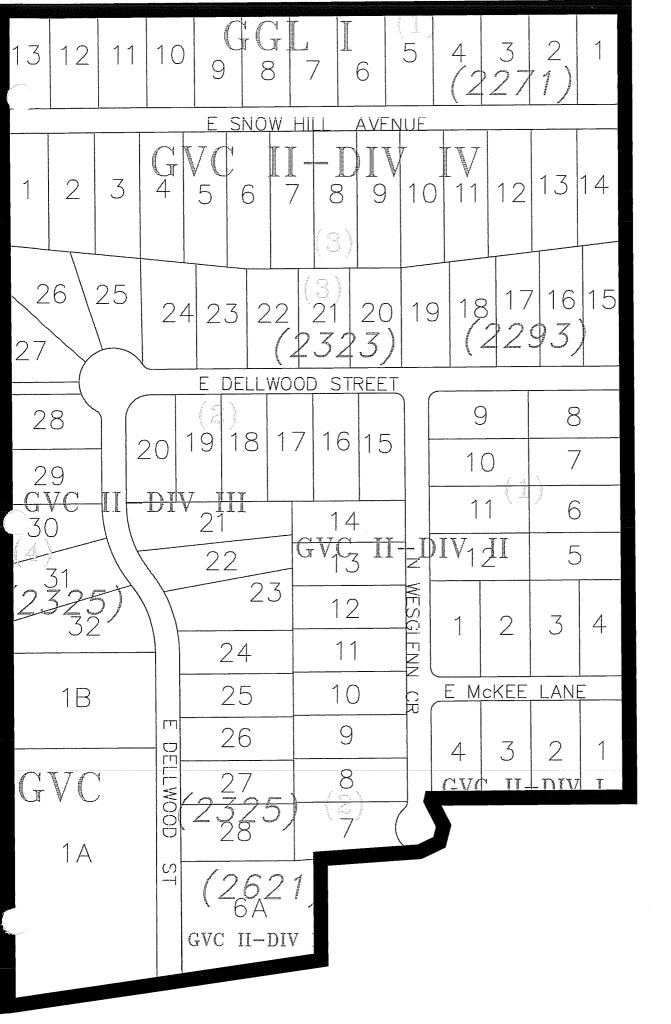
NO, please do not start the assessment district process to pave my road.

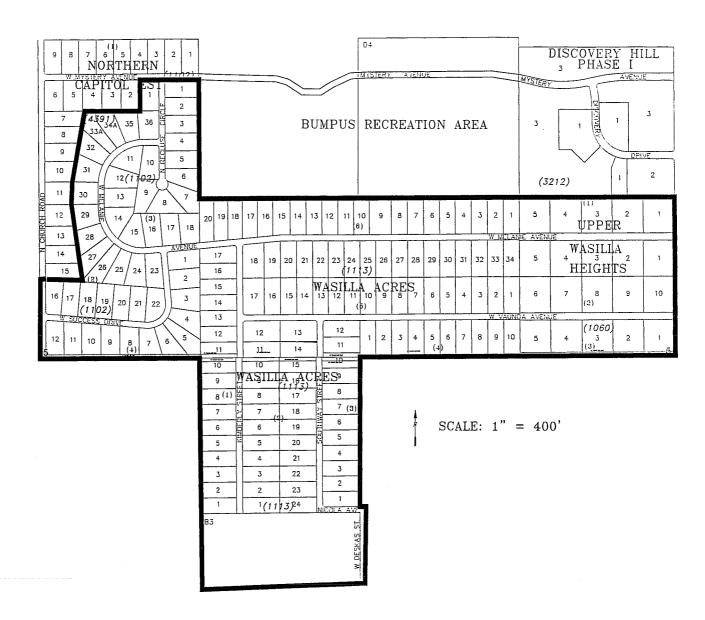
## Call us at 373-9095 if you have questions.

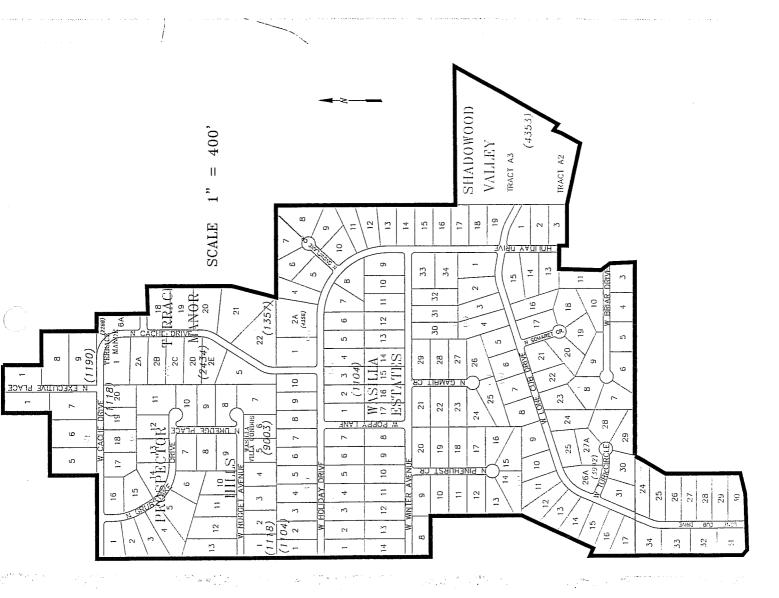
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.
290 East Herning Avenue
Wasilla, AK. 99654

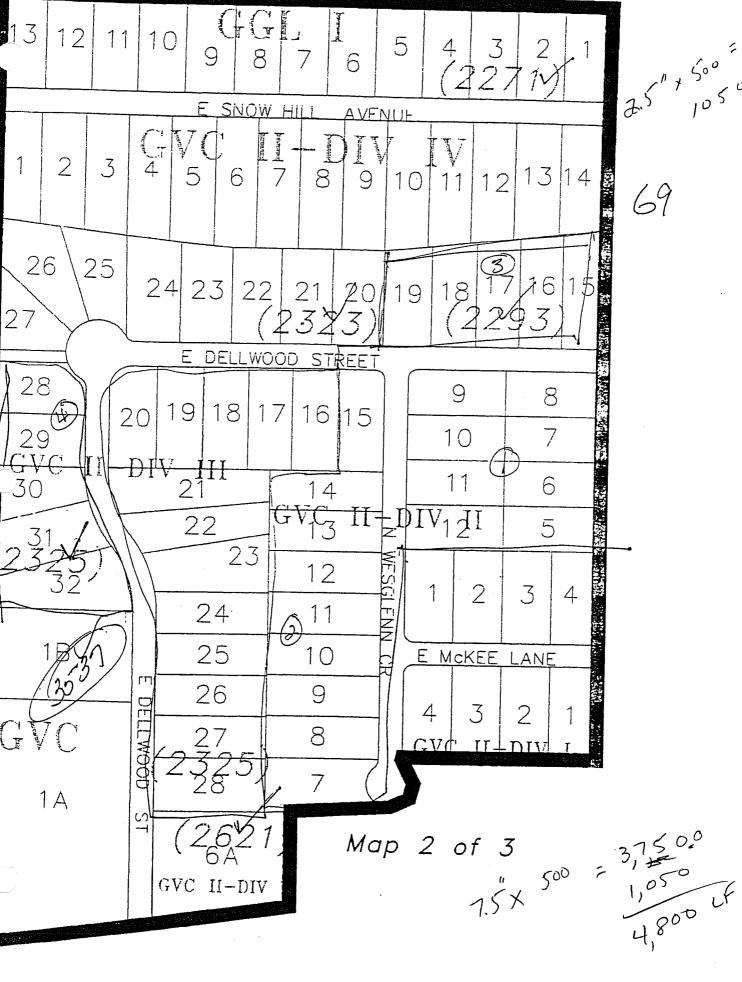
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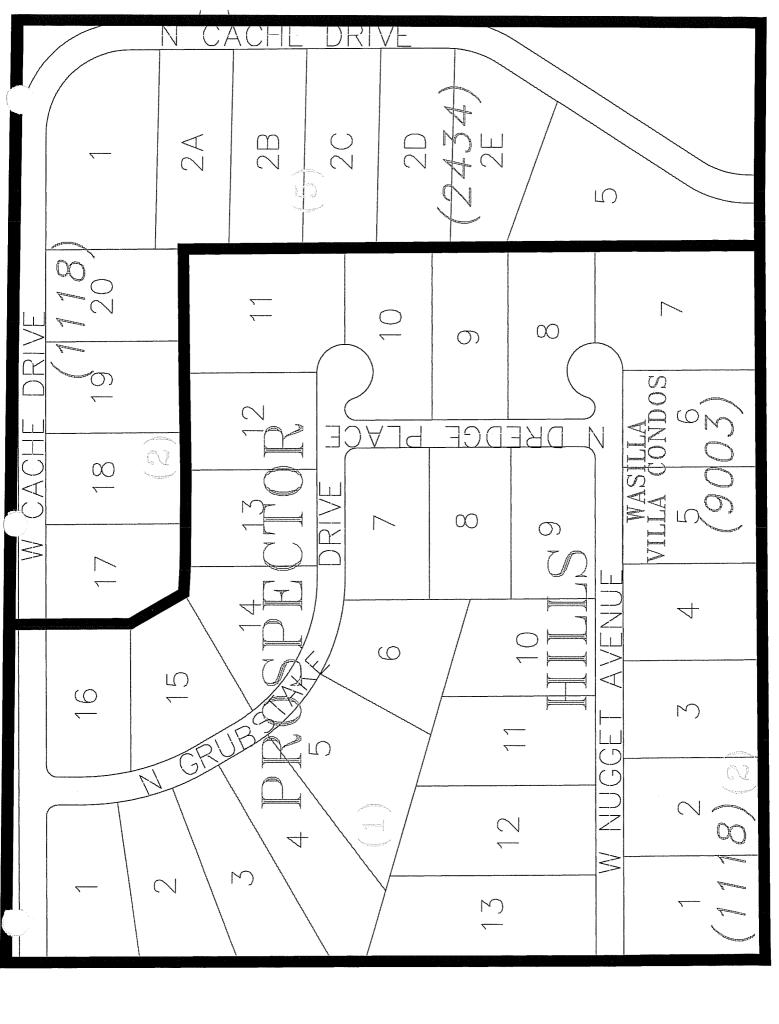
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