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Thru: John Stein, Mayor

To: Wasilla City Council

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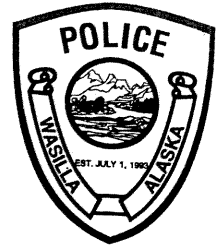
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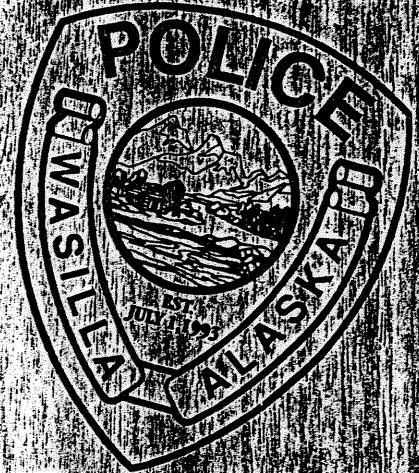
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UNITING EMERGENCY SERVICES



OF WASILLA

IN RECOGNITION TO THESE SERVICES WHO HAVE UNITED IN
THEIR COMMITMENT TO ENHANCE THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING SERVICES

PRESENTED TO

WASILLA POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESENTED BY

THE CENTRAL MAT-SU CHAPTER OF
THE ALASKA STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOC.

ON DECEMBER 18, 1993

WASILLA, ALASKA

South Lakes Community Council
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December 10, 1993

Mayor John Stein
City of Wasilla
City Hall
Wasilla, Alaska
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City of Wasilla, Alaska

Re: Motorized trails within rights of way.

Dear Mayor Stein:

Our community council board of directors has followed Wasilla's efforts to make the city snowmachine friendly.

At the last meeting of our board we discussed ways in which motorized trails coming out of Wasilla could continue as trails within the South Lakes Community Council area. In your recreation and "intermodal transportation" planning we urge you to include a larger motorized trail network radiating out of Wasilla.

These would include a motorized trail along the south side of the Palmer-Wasilla Highway and a trail on the north side of Bogard Road beginning at Peck Street. These trails are already in use and have been in use since the early 1980's when the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities straightened and widened the two roads.

Maybe nothing needs to be done with respect to upgrading or modifying the paths as they exist today other than making sure their continued use as motorized trails within a state right of way is officially recognized and protected. At the least this should be done and this should be reflected in any official road plans of DOTPF, the city and the Matanska-Susitna Borough.

There should also be a safe and attractive path along the Seward Meridian Road, part of which is in the city.

On general principles we support motorized paths which would enter or leave the city by way of the Parks Highway, Lucille Street and Knik Road and any other routes which would take the motorized traveler into the city, through the city and out of the city.

We know there may be problems with noise, trespass and irresponsible use and problems in separating motorized and non-motorized trail uses. We are confident these problems can be solved with some planning and thought.

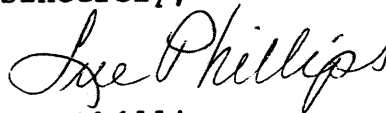
Some of the existing and proposed motorized paths are within state rights of way, some within borough rights of way, some

within city rights of way and, maybe, some within utility rights of way. We do not consider the ownership of the right of way to be relevant. Certainly in other states highway departments have been indifferent or hostile to uses of their rights of way except by automobiles, buses and trucks. Fortunately thinking on the proper uses of rights of way has changed as evidenced by the passage by congress of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991. As the attached Anchorage Daily News editorial of December 8, 1993 indicates the new federal transportation funding program is there to be used for paths and trails as well as for traditional road uses.

Anchorage's transportation planning incorporates these other uses and so should that of DOTPF and of the local governments in this area.

We wish you and the city council success in making Wasilla a recreation oriented community.

Sincerely,



Lue Phillips
President

cc:

Marly Helm, Mat-Su Borough Transportation Planner

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Emeralds, anyone?

Imagine Anchorage with these gems

Boston takes such pride in the parks and trails ringing the city that people refer to the collection as the Emerald Necklace. With all due respect to the Hub of the Universe, Anchorage has a chance to make Boston's emeralds look like green glass from the five and dime.

If we have the vision and the will, we could claim a distinction no other major U.S. city could match. We could surround our city not with beltways full of cars but with trails full of bikers, walkers and skiers.

Imagine being able to bike or ski a loop around the entire Anchorage Bowl — from downtown to Kincaid, to Rabbit Creek to the Hillside, down the mountains to Ship Creek and back to the city — without once having to tangle with cars or wait at a traffic light. Imagine seeing the coastal trail — Anchorage's No. 1 urban outdoor attraction — extended all the way north to Eklutna and south to Potter Marsh.

This spectacular network of wooded trails could become Anchorage's civic signature. It would offer the serenity and splendor of Alaska's wilds at almost every turn. What freeways are to Los Angeles, what roses are to Portland, trails could be to Anchorage.

Grand (and expensive) as this vision is, it's not so far-fetched. Most of the segments are already on the city's master list of desired trail routes, compiled in 1985. The main missing links are on the Hillside, between Potter Marsh and Far North Bicentennial Park. (The coastal trail extensions would detour inland around Fort Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force Base.) City planners are updating the 1985 list, so this is the perfect time to fill in the blanks and give formal city blessing to the Hillside bikeway.

The timing on the money front is good, too. New federal rules allow the state's prodigious sums of highway money (\$200 million-plus a year) to be used on trails and mass transit. We don't have to sit around dreaming for a return to \$30 a barrel oil or a bonanza in ANWR.

The city had originally planned to hold public hearings on the plan later this winter. Now those hearings will be put off until sometime this spring. Perhaps that's just as well. Tom Fink, no big fan of trails, will be on his way out of City Hall. Voters will have a chance to ask his would-be replacements what vision they have for the city — and whether they think Anchorage should have an Emerald Necklace worthy of the name.



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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 94-02

From: Mayor Stein
Date: January 4, 1993
Subject: Economic Development Activities

Councilman Nick Carney has asked that the issue of City participation in economic development activities be brought to Council. The most recent example of a significant expenditure under the category was the \$40,000 for capital move petition signature.

Other projects designed to bring business and jobs to the community include a brochure (by Chamber of Commerce) and promoting the proposed surgery center for West Valley Medical Center. \$28,000 was budgeted in FY1994 for small scale development projects.

Promotion and support of business expansion and new industry is now a minor City function. How can benefit to the community be maximized? What projects or activities would Council favor?



John C. Stein, Mayor



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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 94-03

From: Irl Stambaugh, Chief
Wasilla Police Department

Date: January 5, 1994

Subject: Crime Prevention Survey

The attached is a copy of the crime survey of the Wasilla business community undertaken recently as a joint effort by the Wasilla Police Department and the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce.

The conclusions at the end of the report indicate that the crime most feared by business persons relates to bad checks and credit cards, robbery and shoplifting. Another conclusion urges that seminars be developed addressing these issues in an effort to reduce further crime in these categories.

Your comments and reactions to the report are invited by both the police department and the chamber.

Irl Stambaugh, Chief

**WASILLA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE 1994
CITY HALL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>
JANUARY	10TH & 24TH	MONDAY
FEBRUARY	14TH & 28TH	MONDAY
MARCH	14TH	MONDAY
MARCH	30TH	WEDNESDAY*
APRIL	11TH & 25TH	MONDAY
MAY	9TH & 23RD	MONDAY
JUNE	13TH & 27TH	MONDAY
JULY	11TH & 25TH	MONDAY
AUGUST	8TH & 22ND	MONDAY
SEPTEMBER	12TH & 26TH	MONDAY
OCTOBER	10TH & 24TH	MONDAY
NOVEMBER	14TH & 28TH	MONDAY
DECEMBER	12TH	MONDAY

*Council Policy statement effective 05/28/84: "Holiday Meetings - If a regular scheduled City Council meeting is to occur on a State or National Holiday, the meeting shall be rescheduled for the following Wednesday."

NOTE: This year there will be one Wednesday night meeting, Monday, March 28th is Seward's Day.

**Traditionally the last meeting in December has been cancelled for Christmas.

City Hall will be closed on the following holidays:

NEW YEAR'S DAY	JANUARY 1 (Closed Friday, 12/31/93)
WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	FEBRUARY 21 (Monday)
SEWARD'S DAY	MARCH 28 (Monday)
MEMORIAL DAY	MAY 30 (Monday)
FOURTH OF JULY	JULY 4 (Monday)
LABOR DAY	SEPTEMBER 5 (Monday)
ALASKA DAY	OCTOBER 18 (Tuesday)
VETERAN'S DAY	NOVEMBER 11 (Friday)
THANKSGIVING	NOVEMBER 25 & 26 (Thurs. & Fri.)
CHRISTMAS DAY	DECEMBER 25 (Closed Monday, 12/26)