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Information Memo

To: Wasilla City Council

From: John Cooper,

Dept. of Museum and Recreation Services

On 9/16/96 LeRoi Heaven, President, of the Wasilla-Knik-Willow Creek Historical Society requested help from our Department regarding a sewer hookup for the Herning/Teeland/Mead Store. The Historical Society intends to have the store restoration largely completed and the bulk of the store leased by the 1st of January, 1997. The Society needs \$16,500.00 to install a tank and pump system that would access the city sewer line in the alleyway between the store and the fire station. The Historical Society recently took out a loan in order to complete the store itself and has no money for the necessary sewer work.

The store cannot use an adjacent sewer system (Hettricks), which proved both inadequate and unavailable. Also, as indicated by a city map a stub sewer access line off the Boundary St. sewer main does not exist on the stores lot, as previously thought. In addition to both these facts the Citys Sewer Loan/Grant Fund has no money left in it.

In one form or another the City of Wasilla, the Historical Society, and the overall community have been involved in this restoration for almost 11 years. The store is close to being functional again and feeling it in the overall community's best interest the Museum Division requests Council permission to let the Division step aside on some of its' own smaller projects and use already budgeted capital funds to complete the sewer work necessary to allow the store to function as a community asset. The necessary funds are in account 02-480-7066 which is comprised of three smaller projects totaling \$26,000.00.

We have consulted with Public Works Director Jack Felton about this project and if Council will approve what we wish to do the Public Works Department stands ready to facilitate it as best they can.

Respectfully,

Jøhn Cooper, Directo