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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 97-05

To: Council
From: Mayor Palin
Date: January 9, 1997
Subject: Trails/Snowmachine Citizen's Group

On January 6, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. a group of interested community members met to discuss the possibility of multi-use trails and/or a corridor to be designated in Wasilla.

This was a preliminary get-together to discuss the very basic concept of the trails issue. The concerned citizens became aware of the possibility of needing to discuss the issue after our December 9, 1997 Council meeting. At that meeting, our agenda called attention to the city's snowmachine policy.

Out of the January 6th meeting came a volunteer who will lead a community task force to begin to tackle the trails issue and advise Council. Bernadette Rupright will lead the charge. She will be the chairperson of their Citizen's Advisory Group, she has also volunteered to be the media contact for the group.

Ms. Rupright is in contact with the Mat-Su Borough's Parks and Recreation people. She will work with our city staff to gather information for the Citizen's Advisory Group.

An interesting point made at the meeting was the need for an overpass to take users across the Parks Highway near Crusey Street or Lucas Road legally and safely.

This group will meet again in approximately two weeks.

Sarah H. Palin, Mayor