SUBJECT: Council Resolution 99-36.

To Accept Ownership and/or Operation & Maintenance of the State of Alaska Storm Water Collection and Disposal Systems

PREPARED BY: Mike Krieber DATE: October 19, 1999

FOR AGENDA OF: October 25, 1999

**SUMMARY:** The administration desires to have greater control of storm water runoff on city and State roads within the City. Presently, storm water disposal is accomplished via drywells on City roads and lake discharges for State roads. The Administration has reached a working agreement with the Alaska Department of Transportation that would provide the city control of storm water disposal within city limits.

In recognition of environmental impacts, in 1999 the DEC gave the City a \$1.3 million grant to construct a pump station and treatment area. The pump station is located near one of the DOT storm water outfalls in Lake Lucille (drains the Parks Highway west of Main Street to Weber Drive). Intercepting this outfall will be part of the storm water pump station construction project. City control of the State piping system would ensure that State roads would not be drained into the lakes.

The City does not control the Parks Highway piping system. DOT has only allowed one City storm drain connection into their piping system. Drywells serving downtown city streets continue to fail. City control of the State piping system would allow city roads to be connected to the Parks Highway storm system.

In consideration for the city accepting the responsibility for maintaining the storm water system, DOT has agreed to:

- 1) construct storm water piping on State road projects in Wasilla; and,
- 2) award additional points for Church Road South construction.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** The administration is requesting Council approve Resolution 99-36. I recommend that the Council approve the resolution.

Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, Mayor

Presented with: 100 99-36

Date: 10125/99 Verified by: 25