

**SUBJECT: Acquisition of land for City Shop**

REQUESTED BY: Public Works

PREPARED BY: Public Works

DATE: February 11, 2000

FOR AGENDA OF: February 28,2000

**SUMMARY:**

The City of Wasilla has been the recipient of a steady growth and expansion rate within and adjacent to its boundaries which has led to an increased demand and need for the City to provide services. In providing these services, the City has experienced an increase in personnel and equipment needed to meet this demand. The current City Shop has become inadequate because of over crowding, drainage problems, lack of expansion area, inefficient shape and size of the yard, and location in an area incompatible with the current zoning regulations.

The proposed land purchase are lots 2, 3 and 4, block 3 Century Park II Subdivision. These lots are level, have little vegetative growth on them, are well drained and all utilities are available to the properties. The City of Wasilla is currently negotiating the purchase of lot 3 for use in the storm drain project and as a short term back up well for the area. Costs savings in the storm drain project are \$30-40,000 versus alternative routes. With the additional purchase of lots 2 and 4, the city would have a total area of 5 plus acres of land for a City Shop in an area zoned Commercial that is centrally located to the core area. Public Works is proposing to build a maintenance building with an intended 15-20 year life cycle. The purchase of this property for a maintenance building and route for a storm drain system from the parks Highway has been discussed in a Council work session a few weeks ago. The purchase of the two additional parcels will be brought to the Council once negotiations are completed.

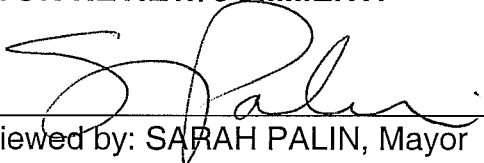
**FISCAL IMPACT:** x Yes, amount requested: \$ 65,000

Fund: General Fund,  
fund balance

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Council is requested to approve Ordinance Serial No. 00-23, the purchase of Lot 3 Blk 3 of Century Park II Subdivision, as the first land purchase needed to construct a maintenance shop and install a storm drain system.

**MAYOR REVIEW/COMMENT:**



Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, Mayor

Presented with: Ord 00-23 + Res 00-13  
Date: 3/13/00 Verified by: HY.

Attachments: Ordinance Serial No. 00-23