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ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 92-32

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WASILLA, ALASKA AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF REAL PROPERTY IN BLOCK 8, WASILLA TOWNSITE, FROM THE WASILLA-KNIK-WILLOW CREEK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY OF WASILLA, ALASKA AS FOLLOWS;

Section I. Classification. This is a non-code ordinance.

Section II. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to authorize acceptance of interest now held by the Wasilla-Knik-Willow Creek Historical Society in real estate and buildings comprising the Dorothy Page Museum and Frontier Village.

Findings:

- (1) Ordinance Serial No. 91-20 approved May 29, 1991 authorized the Mayor to convey City ownership of Lots 3, 4 and 5 and the north 50' of Municipal Reserve Block 8, Wasilla Townsite, to the Historical Society.
- (2) Actual conveyance of record has not occurred because of required platting actions and because of the later formation of the Wasilla Museum Department.
- (3) The Historical Society board, at its regular meeting June 24, 1992, unanimously passed a motion: "The Wasilla-Knik-Willow Creek Historical Society agrees to convey all right, title and interest in the Dorothy G. Page Museum lot and the three Old Wasilla Townsite Park lots to the City of Wasilla in exchange for a mutually acceptable agreement which includes the requirement that the City of Wasilla convey to the Wasilla-Knik-Willow Creek Historical Society legal title to the property if the City no longer use the property for museum and/or historical purposes." Motion passed unanimously. The property consists of the lot under the Page Museum and the three lots under the historical park but not the lot under the Herning/Teeland/Meade Building. The "interest" was defined at that meeting as the buildings (list attached).
- (4) The Historical Society has drafted an "agreement regarding formation of a Museum Department" which provides for the management and care of society artifacts and reservation of the museum and frontier village site for museum and historical purposes".
- (5) With the formation of the City Museum Department it is in the best interests of the City and the Society to place ownership of the real estate and buildings with the City.

Section III. Enactment: The Mayor/Manager on behalf of the City is hereby authorized to accept from Wasilla-Knik-Willow Creek Historical Society all right, title and interest in the real estate described as follows:

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Lots 3, 4 and 5 and the north 50 feet of Municipal Reserve, Block 8, Wasilla Townsite, together with appurtenances attached thereto including the following historic buildings: Dorothy G. Page Museum, Capitol Site Cabin, Paddy Marion Cabin, Blacksmith Shop, Walter Trench Cabin, Herning-Teeland House, Finnish Sauna and 1917 schoolhouse.

The Mayor/Manager is authorized to execute an agreement in exchange for the above real estate which requires that the City convey the above real estate back to the Wasilla-Knik-Willow Creek Historical Society should the city no longer use the property for museum and/or historical purposes. The intent of this agreement is to assure the continuation of a museum or use for historical purposes at this specific location. The agreement will contain a reversion clause which returns the real estate to the City should the Historical Society cease to operate.

Section IV. Effective Date: This ordinance becomes effective upon adoption by the Wasilla City Council.

Introduction Date: 09/14/92


Public Hearing Date: 09/28/92

ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Wasilla on this 12th day of October, 1992.



John C. Stein, Mayor

ATTEST:



Erling P. Nelson, CMC
City Clerk