Requested by: Council Member Fuller

Prepared by: Clerk

Adopted: April 27, 1998

CITY OF WASILLA RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 98-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE FOR PURCHASE, REAL PROPERTY NEAR THE WASILLA AIRPORT AND OFFERING THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UP TO TEN ACRES OF LAND TO LOCATE A YOUTH DETENTION FACILITY IN AN INDUSTRIAL ZONED AREA, WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF WASILLA.

WHEREAS, the valley has matured to the point where we need to be responsible for the troubled youth in our community;

WHEREAS, it is recognized by the state, borough, and city of Wasilla that a Youth Detention Facility is needed to relieve overcrowding at the McLaughlin Youth Center;

WHEREAS, locating a Youth Detention Facility in the City of Wasilla would significantly minimize transportation costs incurred by the Wasilla Police Department, Palmer Police Department and Alaska State Troopers;

WHEREAS, land acquisition would facilitate this project, and other future needs of our community;

WHEREAS, a majority of city residents support such a facility being located in an industrial zoned area of the city;

WHEREAS, the Wasilla City Council is willing to make land available to the State of Alaska for a Youth Detention Facility within the Wasilla city limits:

WHEREAS, the property near the Wasilla Airport is currently zoned industrial and a rezone is not needed to place a Youth Detention Facility;

WHEREAS, the council has directed administration to negotiate a purchase of land near the Wasilla Airport;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Wasilla City Council authorize the mayor to negotiate specific terms and conditions of the purchase of real property in the location of the Wasilla Airport;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED upon finalization of the purchase the mayor shall present the purchase to the council for final approval;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon final approval of the purchase of property, up to ten acres of the industrial zoned property shall be offered to the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services for the purposes of locating a Youth Detention Facility;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services acceptance of the property the state shall have a two year time period to construct a Youth Detention Facility on the property offered by the City of Wasilla;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wasilla City Council encourages the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services to place a Youth Detention Facility in the area located in the city of Wasilla's industrial zone within the Wasilla City Limits.

ADOPTED, by the Wasilla City Council this 27th day of April, 1998.

SARAH PALIN, Mayor

ATTEST:

KRISITÉ L. VANGOŘDER, CMC/AAE

City Clerk

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