

Requested by: Deputy Mayor Howard O'Neil
Meeting Date: January 23, 2006
Adopted: January 23, 2006
Vote: Cox, Ewing, Menard, Metiva, O'Neil & Straub in favor

**CITY OF WASILLA
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 06-04(AM)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING FUNDING FOR
REPLACEMENT OF THE HEATING, VENTING AND AIR CONDITIONING (HVAC)
SYSTEM AT THE MATANUSKA VALLEY SPORTSMEN, INC. SHOOTING RANGE.**

WHEREAS, in 1948 a group of valley sportsmen started the "Matanuska Valley Sportsmen" organization; and

WHEREAS, this group has been continuously active in shooting sports and Fish and Game issues since 1948; and

WHEREAS, in 1980 a three acre parcel was acquired approximately three miles south of the city of Palmer to construct a 12-point indoor shooting range; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska Valley Sportsmen Shooting Range is the only public use indoor range in South Central Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska Valley Sportsmen's Shooting Range is used by residents of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, the Wasilla Police Department, Houston Police Department, Palmer Police Department, Alaska State Troopers, as well as, the Municipality of Anchorage, which combined has a population over 300,000; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska Valley Sportsmen's Shooting Range is open to the public and offers gun safety shooting programs, school team target shooting training and with the Department of Fish and Game State approved hunter safety programs to the residents of South Central Alaska; and

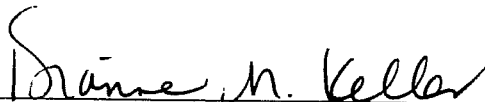
WHEREAS, the Matanuska Valley Sportsmen's Shooting Range was constructed and is managed with an all-volunteer staff to include range and safety officers; and

WHEREAS, the HVAC system was installed when the range was first constructed and is now inadequate; and

WHEREAS, due to the inadequate HVAC system all children's safety and training programs have been discontinued until retrofitting of the HVAC system is completed.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Wasilla supports the Alaska State Legislature and the Governor's office to fund \$200,000 earmark to the Matanuska Valley Sportsmen, Inc. to upgrade the HVAC system and to continue safety and training classes and programs for the youth and residents of South Central Alaska.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on January 23, 2006.



DIANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC
City Clerk

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