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Requested by: Chair of the Assembly at Municipal Clerk's Office

the request of the Mayor

Amended and Approved **Date: January 21, 2025** 

Cynthia M. Weed, Bond

Prepared by:

Counsel **K&L** GATES LLP

For Reading:

January 7, 2025

## MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE **AO No. 2025-16, As Amended**

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000) OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE TO PAY THE COSTS OF ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CHUGACH STATE PARK ACCESS SERVICE AREA AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE MUNICIPALITY ON APRIL 1, 2025.

WHEREAS, the best interest of the citizens and property owners in Chugach State Park Access Service Area ("CASA") and the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska (the "Municipality") require the Municipality to acquire access improvements (the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the state's Basher Road parking lot provides the closest access to the Chugach State Park for east Anchorage residents, and this parking is limited and substandard; and

WHEREAS, this bond proposition will finance the project's first phase to produce a design study report for a new overflow parking lot on municipal land and connected to Campbell Airstrip Road, in close proximity to the state's existing parking lot at the Basher Trailhead of Chugach State Park; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Assembly to add construction to the 2026 CIP; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide financing for the Projects, it is deemed necessary and advisable that the Municipality issue and sell its general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$300,000 (the "Bonds"); now, therefore,

#### THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Purpose. The Assembly hereby determines that the Projects are Section 1. needed throughout the CASA. The Assembly hereby determines that the best interest of the residents and property owners within CASA require the Municipality to undertake the Projects at the time and in the order and in the manner deemed most necessary and advisable by the Municipality. The estimated cost of the Projects, including incidental costs and costs related to issuing and selling the Bonds as provided in this ordinance, is estimated to be \$300,000.

The Projects are described in more detail in the attachment to the Assembly Memorandum accompanying this ordinance. The cost of all necessary planning, acquisition of property for, site preparation, construction, installing and equipping of the Projects, architectural, engineering, design, and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative expenses, costs of issuance of the Bonds and other costs incurred in connection with the Projects shall be deemed to be costs of the approved Projects. The approved Projects may be completed with all necessary equipment and appurtenances. All components of the Projects shall be situated on property situated within the boundaries of the Municipality, and shall be owned by the Municipality.

The Municipality shall determine the application of available moneys for the Projects so as to accomplish, as nearly as may be, the Projects described or provided for in this section.

If the Municipality shall determine that it has become impractical to accomplish any portion of the approved Projects by reason of changed conditions or needs, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, the Municipality shall not be required to accomplish such portions and shall apply Bond proceeds as set forth in this section.

If the approved Projects have been completed in whole or in part, or their completion duly provided for, or their completion found to be impractical, the Municipality may apply Bond proceeds or any portion thereof to other Municipality capital improvements within the Chugach State Park Access Service Area at its sole discretion. Otherwise, the Municipality shall apply such remaining proceeds solely to payment of principal or interest on the Bonds, as provided in the Home Rule Charter. In the event that the proceeds of sale of the Bonds, plus any other monies of the Municipality legally available, are insufficient to accomplish the approved Projects, the Municipality shall use the available funds for paying the cost of those portions of the approved Projects deemed by the Municipality most necessary and in the best interest of the Municipality. No Bond proceeds shall be used by the Municipality for any purpose other than a capital improvement of the Municipality.

For the purpose of providing funds for the undertaking of the Projects, which is hereby found to be a public purpose and in the public interest, the Municipality hereby proposes to issue general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000).

**Section 2**. Details of Bonds. The Bonds shall be sold in such amounts and at such time or times as deemed necessary and advisable by the Assembly and as permitted by law and shall mature over a period of up to 20 years from date of issue. The Bonds shall be issued in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed

\$300,000. The Bonds shall bear interest to be fixed at the time of sale or sales thereof. The exact form, terms, conditions, contents, security, options of redemption, and such other matters relating to the issuance and sale of said Bonds as are deemed necessary and advisable by the Assembly shall be as hereinafter determined and/or delegated by ordinance and/or resolution of the Assembly.

The full faith and credit of the Municipality is pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, and ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property in the Municipality shall be levied without limitation as to rate or amount to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The principal of and interest on the Bonds are to be paid first from ad valorem taxes levied and collected within the CASA.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Ballot Proposition</u>. The Assembly hereby submits to the qualified voters of the Municipality the proposition of whether the Municipality should issue the Bonds for the purpose of financing the costs of the approved Projects at the regular municipal election to be held on April 1, 2025.

The Clerk shall prepare the ballot proposition to be submitted to the voters as provided by this ordinance and the Municipal Code and shall perform all necessary steps in accordance with law to place this proposition before the voters at the regular election. The proposition must receive a majority vote of those in the Municipality voting, both in the CASA and areawide, on the question to be approved. The proposition shall be substantially in the following form:

## PROPOSITION NO.

## CHUGACH STATE PARK ACCESS SERVICE AREA BONDS

For the purpose of providing public access improvements for a new overflow [TO THE] parking lot near [AT] the Basher [DRIVE] Trailhead within the Chugach State Park Access Service Area, as provided in AO 2025-\_\_\_, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$300,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2025 assessed valuation in the Chugach State Park Access Service Area) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.06 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Chugach State

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1 2 3 4 5	Park Access Service Area, without cost to properties in Chugiak, Eagle River, Girdwood, and other properties outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the debt.	
5 6 7	YES NO	
8	Section 4. The Assembly authorizes conforming amendments to	<u>the</u>
9	attached SEE and the 2025 CIB and the Capital Improvement Program: 20	
10	2030 for the project name change to "Basher Trailhead New Overflow Park	<u>ing</u>
11	Lot" throughout, consistent with this ordinance, as amended.	
12 13 14	Section 5[4]. Effective Dates. Section 2 of this ordinance shall become effectionly if the proposition described in Section 3 is approved by a majority of	
15	qualified voters voting on the proposition at the regular election held on April 1, 20	
16	The remaining sections of this ordinance shall become effective upon passage	
17	approval by the Assembly.	
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19	PASSED AND APPROVED by the Assembly of the Municipality of Anchorage,	his
20	21st day of January, 2025.	
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# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

### ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

AM No. 65-2025

Meeting Date: January 7, 2025

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FROM:

**MAYOR** 

SUBJCET: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE. ALASKA, THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO **EXCEED THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000) OF** GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE TO PAY THE COSTS OF ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CHUGACH STATE PARK ACCESS SERVICE AREA AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE MUNICIPALITY ON APRIL 1, 2025.

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The attached ordinance will place a general obligation bond proposition for the Chugach State Park Access Service Area on the ballot for the regular Municipal election to be held on April 1, 2025.

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The Administration recommends scheduling a public hearing for this bond ordinance on January 21, 2025.

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The Chugach State Park Access Service Area bond proposal will implement the priorities established in the recently approved 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program. Please see the attached Project List, attached as Exhibit A.

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#### THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ORDINANCE.

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Concur: Eva R. Gardner, Municipal Attorney 29

Concur: Ona R. Brause, OMB Director 30

William D. Falsey, Chief Administrative Officer Concur: 31 Rebecca A. Windt Pearson, Municipal Manager Concur: 32

Respectfully submitted: Suzanne LaFrance, Mayor 33

## **EXHIBIT A**

## Chugach State Park Access Service Area 2025 Bond Projects List (000)'s

<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>0&amp;M</u>
Basher Trailhead <b>New Overflow</b> Parking Lot	\$300	-
Total	\$300	-

# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE Summary of Economic Effects - General Government

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MUNICIPALITY ON APRIL 1, 2025.

Sponsor: Mayor

Prepared By: Public Finance Division

Others Impacted: Chugach State Park Access Service Area

CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES A	<b>ES</b> : (	(Thousands of Dollars)			
	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29
Operating Expenditures 1000 Personal Services 2000 Supplies 3000 Other Services 4000 Debt Service 5000 Capital Outlay		21.8	21.8	21.8	21.8
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS:		21.8	21.8	21.8	21.8
ADD: 6000 Charge from Others LESS: 7000 Charge to Others					
FUNCTION COST:		21.8	21.8	21.8	21.8
REVENUES:					
CAPITAL:					
POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp.					

#### **PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

Estimated annual debt service of \$21,834 assumes bonds are sold as a single bond issue with an interest rate of 3.877% with bond repayments corresponding to the expected life of the assets financed up to 20 years.

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#### PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:

Estimated annual debt service payments of approximately \$21,834 equate to an estimated property tax increase of 0.0006 mills or \$0.06 per year on \$100,000 of assessed valuation in the Chugach State Park Access Service Area.