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Recurring Total	\$	600,000
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One-Time Total \$ 80,000

GRAND TOTAL	\$	680,000
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FY 24 Preliminary Tax Cap \$ 355,360,502

FY 24 1Q Mayor's Recommendation \$ 354,880,203

FY 24 Current Amount Under Tax Cap	\$	480,299
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FY 24 1Q Assembly Revisions	\$	680,000
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FY 24 REMAINING TAX CAP	\$	(199,701)
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**Amendment #D1 to AR 2025-91
FY 2025 General Government Operating Budget**

Submitted by: Assembly Members Zaletel and Johnson

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Department: Development Services

Amount: \$100,000

Type: Ongoing

Description of amendment: This amendment provides additional funding from the Nuisance Property Abatement Fund to Development Services for needs-based relocation of individuals who lose their housing as the result of a finding that their residence is not habitable. Funds should be attempted to be recovered by the property owner, but waiting to relocate individuals living in residences that do not meet the Chapter 15 habitability standards should not be delayed.

FUND SOURCE

Specific fund to pay amendment's cost: Nuisance Property Abatement Fund

Amount: \$100,000

**Amendment #D2 to AR 2025-91
FY 2025 General Government Operating Budget**

Submitted by: Members Rivera, Brawley, and Perez-Verdia

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Department: Assembly

Amount: \$30,000

Type: One Time

Description of amendment: This amendment provides additional funding from the Areawide General Fund to the Assembly to fund work related to the recently established task force to explore reimagining the former Public Safety Advisory Commission, approved by the Assembly via AR 2025-111. As was discussed during the debate of the resolution, the sponsors are requesting funding for facilitation of the task force to ensure the Assembly has the capacity to run the task force. Specific deliverables and outcomes can be found in the attached draft RFQ attached to this amendment.

FUND SOURCE

Specific fund to pay amendment's cost: Areawide General Fund

Amount: \$30,000



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Request for Quotes

The Anchorage Assembly is seeking proposals from qualified vendors to support facilitation of a Task Force established to explore reimagining the former Public Safety Advisory Commission. This contract is for a specific portion of the Task Force work, outlined below. **The primary responsibility in this contract is to facilitate dialogue among the broad array of stakeholder organizations represented on the Task Force and to provide a final report to the Anchorage Assembly.**

The Task Force will be convened by an Assembly project team. The topics it may explore include the following, which are separate from the specific expectations of the contractor:

1. Defining the role of the community in public safety, including opportunities for public engagement;
2. Providing a recommendation on forming a new entity to replace the former Public Safety Advisory Commission, including its mission, duties, membership and name;
3. Creating a draft ordinance to memorialize its suggestions in Municipal code;
4. Recommending whether a regular systemic review of policies, practices, procedures, and training with the police department should be conducted, to include its frequency, scope and options for community engagement; and
5. Other items as identified by or referred to the Task Force by the Chair of the Assembly's Public Health and Safety Committee.

Contractor activities and deliverables will include:

1. Taking a primary role in facilitating all Task Force meetings (approximately 8-12).
2. Working with Assembly liaisons to craft agendas and develop action meeting minutes and/or a report after each meeting. Submit monthly written updates to the Chair of the Assembly's Public Health and Safety Committee. These reports will be submitted to an Assembly agenda via AIM.
3. Working with APD and the LaFrance Administration to gather relevant information, outlined in [AR 2025-111](#), that should be shared with the Task Force.
4. Working with Assembly liaisons and Task Force Chair or convener to compile existing best practices or case studies on community engagement with public safety. The contractor is not expected to conduct independent research.
5. Potentially conduct a few small group meetings to discuss specific issues and develop solutions to those issues.



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6. Working with Assembly liaisons, Task Force Chair or convener, full Task Force, and any other relevant parties, **to produce a final report** and submit it to the Assembly sponsors by no later than October 25, 2025. The report will be submitted to an Assembly meeting and reviewed at a meeting of the Public Health and Safety Committee. If the Task Force recommends a new commission, the final report should include suggestions for an updated mission, duties, member composition, and name.
7. These deliverables can be adjusted as needed upon mutual agreement of the Contractor and the Assembly project team.

The vendor should have experience facilitating large group meetings with diverse stakeholders and the ability to narrow down specific policy recommendations from complex and sometime diverging input. Facilitation skills are required, and knowledge of public safety issues are a plus.

The budget for this contract is not to exceed \$30,000. Quotes of no more than 4-pages should be submitted to wwmasls@anchorageak.gov by 5pm on Friday, May 2nd that contain:

- A summary of your experience with group facilitation.
- A summary of your experience working with diverse audiences and translating complex concepts into actionable steps; please provide examples of previous work.
- A cost estimate for the primary project, which will likely entail biweekly meetings of the Task Force in June, July and August and weekly meetings in September and part of October (for a total of approximately 8-12 meetings), plus emails, content creation and drafting in between meetings, as well as an hourly rate for general report drafting.

Background

The Anchorage Assembly first established a Public Safety Advisory Commission in May of 1995, with an emphasis on community membership, and had the duty, among other things, to create a comprehensive public safety plan for the Municipality. In August of 2020, Internal Audit submitted Sunset Audit Report to the Assembly with a recommendation to temporarily reauthorize the commission and hold a worksession to discuss its role and whether the commission should continue to be reauthorized or not. As a result of this audit, Assembly members appointed three Alaska Native women to the commission in hopes it could focus on the epidemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Two Spirit within the Municipality and extended the duration of the commission to October of 2023.



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With a change in administration and a large turnover of members within the commission, Internal Audit suggested a review of the viability of the commission via Sunset Audit Report 2023-S1, Public Safety Advisory Commission, once again suggesting a worksession and review of the purpose of this commission. During the debate and vote of AO 2023-69, As Amended, the Assembly agreed to terminate the commission on January 31, 2024.

Since the termination of the commission in early 2024, several Assembly members have explored the viability of bringing back the Public Safety Advisory Commission in some form. To explore this possibility, the Assembly created special time-limited Task Force with the purpose of convening and presenting suggestions to the Anchorage Assembly and Municipal Administration regarding the viability of reimagining the former Public Safety Advisory Commission with an updated mission, duties, and name.

The task force will be convened by the Chair of the Assembly's Public Health and Safety Committee, or their designee, who will determine its membership from a broad array of stakeholder organizations, to include the Mayor or their designee, Municipal agencies including the Anchorage Police Department, the Anchorage Police Department Employees Association, the Anchorage School District, and community groups. The Task Force will meet publicly, and the Municipal Clerk's Office will provide prior public notice of its meetings.

Multiple current resources exist which this task force should take advantage of, including:

- The APD 2024-2026 Strategic Plan
- APD 2009-2023 Office Involved Shooting Review
- In addition, APD will be working with a separate contractor during the remainder of 2025 to conduct a comprehensive review of APD's policies, tactics, training, and supervision related to de-escalation and use of force, and getting regular updates on this work could be of benefit to the Task Force.

The internal project team will support much of the Task Force's work, but skilled facilitation is required for the effort to be successful. This contract is being issued to help expand capacity and allow the Assembly Task Force to complete its work.



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Project Goals

To facilitate a special time-limited task force comprised of a broad array of stakeholder organizations with the purpose of convening and presenting suggestions to the Anchorage Assembly and Municipal Administration regarding the viability of reimagining the former Public Safety Advisory Commission with an updated mission, duties, and name.

Project Team Deliverables

The Assembly's internal project team will include three Assembly Members, and staff from the Municipal Clerk's Office, Legislative Services Office, and Assembly Counsel. In addition to the internal project team members, there will be a convener who is a community member or group designated by the Chair of the Assembly's Public Health and Safety Committee. The convener will ensure the Task Force is community-driven and led.

The project team and convener seek to work collaboratively with the contractor, but will primarily be responsible to provide the following:

- Selecting the members of the Task Force and inviting them to a kick-off meeting.
- Providing logistical support to schedule and host the meetings of the full Task Force.
- Draft ordinance language based on the contractor's final report.
- Working with the contractor, the Assembly Communications Director will develop a communications plan that Assembly staff will carry out alongside the Task Force activities and final recommendations.

Timeline

- The first meeting of the full working group will be held no later than June 15, 2025. It is anticipated that the project will be completed by October 31, 2025, though the contract will run through the end of 2025 to make room for any contingencies
- Milestones will be determined upon mutual agreement by the Contractor and the Assembly project team.

**Amendment #D3 to AR 2025-91
FY 2025 General Government Operating Budget**

Submitted by: Assembly Members Volland and Johnson

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Department: Anchorage Fire Department

Amount: \$100,000

Type: Ongoing

Description of amendment: This amendment provides additional funding from the Areawide General Fund to the Anchorage Fire Department to be used to raise community awareness of wildfire hazards, educate residents on resources available, and to organize citywide fire preparedness activities. Funds shall be used for promotional materials or paid media, to cover staff time, and other expenses necessary to host community engagement activities. Such activities may include presentations from local, state, federal, and volunteer organizations involved in wildfire mitigation and firefighting. Events may also engage community members in participatory efforts reduce fuel loads or other activities to directly reduce fire hazards.

FUND SOURCE

Specific fund to pay amendment's cost: Areawide General Fund

Amount: \$100,000

**Amendment #D4 to AR 2025-91
FY 2025 General Government Operating Budget**

Submitted by: Assembly Member Volland

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Department: Public Transportation

Amount: \$250,000

Type: Ongoing

Description of amendment: This amendment provides additional funding from the Areawide General Fund to the Public Transportation Department to operate fare-free, at no cost to the rider, bus route from the Fairview Carrs to the Midtown Carrs/Fred Meyer. Currently there isn't a bus route that travels along the Gambell/Ingra corridor from 15th Ave. to Northern Lights connecting the people of Fairview to Midtown.

Fund Source

Specific fund to pay amendment's cost: Areawide General Fund

Amount: \$250,000

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**Amendment #D5 to AR 2025-91
FY 2025 General Government Operating Budget**

Submitted by: Assembly Member Bronga

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Department: Anchorage Police Department

Amount: \$100,000

Type: Onetime

Description of amendment: This amendment provides additional funding from the Areawide General Fund to the Anchorage Police Department to be used to increase safety in schools through activities such as threat assessment training for teachers, bullying prevention, outreach to parents encouraging partnership for school safety, and possible youth violence intervention program.

FUND SOURCE

Specific fund to pay amendment's cost: Areawide General Fund

Amount: \$100,000

Amendment #D6 to AR 2025-91 FY 2025 General Government Operating Budget

Submitted by: Assembly Member Brawley

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Department:	Mayor's Office	\$15,000
	Assembly	\$15,000
	Information Technology - i-Team	\$20,000

Amount: \$50,000 total

Type: One time

Description of amendment: This amendment provides additional funding from the Areawide General Fund to multiple departments. The Municipality of Anchorage officially turns 50 years old on September 16, 2025, the official date of unification of the City of Anchorage and the Greater Anchorage Area Borough into a Home Rule municipality in 1975. The communities of Anchorage, Eklutna, Birchwood, Peters Creek, Chugiak, Eagle River, Basher, Spenard, Girdwood, Portage, Indian and Bird (and probably others) have co-existed within the Municipality for half a century, and together have created a larger and unique whole. 2025 is a time for local celebration, reflection on the first 50 years, and time to look to the future. Funding could be utilized to officially mark this milestone for communications and materials, hosting events (including those hosted by other entities, with support from the Muni), commissioning artwork installations, and a number of other creative, engaging options.

The funding is split among 3 departments, including the Information Technology Department Innovation Team (i-Team), who can think creatively and execute ideas with data, technology, social media, and non-traditional engagement with the public.

Originally brought November 2024 during regular FY25 budget cycle

Fund Source

Specific fund to pay amendment's cost: Areawide General Fund

Amount: \$50,000

**Amendment #D7 to AR 2025-91
FY 2025 General Government Operating Budget**

Submitted by: Assembly Member Brawley

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Department: Office of Management and Budget

Amount: \$50,000

Type: Ongoing

Description of amendment: This amendment provides additional funding from the Areawide General Fund to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for baseline analysis and long-term fiscal trends, public engagement and communications regarding the Municipality's fiscal future. We have big fiscal issues to grapple with, multiple paths to pursue, and would benefit from engaging directly with the public in goal setting as well as exploring options. The effort would not be limited to OMB, but needs a departmental home, and would include coordination with the Budget Advisory Commission as well as Mayor, Assembly, departments, enterprises and utilities.

Funding is proposed as recurring to reflect this effort will take multiple years, likely with multiple phases. It is also important to regularly communicate with the public how our budget and fiscal structure works, demonstrate year over year impacts of budget and policy choices, and also build in a regular feedback loop.

Originally brought November 2024 during regular FY25 budget cycle

FUND SOURCE

Specific fund to pay amendment's cost: Areawide General Fund

Amount: \$50,000