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THE MAYOR  
Prepared by: Planning Department  
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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AO No. 2008-80(S)

1 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 21.35.020  
2 TO ESTABLISH LAND USE DEFINITIONS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY  
3 LABORATORY, PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES AND OUTDOOR SHOOTING  
4 RANGES, AMENDING SECTION 21.40.020 TO PERMIT THESE AS USES IN THE  
5 PLI DISTRICT, AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 21.50.410 TO PROVIDE  
6 CONDITIONAL USE STANDARDS FOR OUTDOOR SHOOTING RANGES.  
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9 THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

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11 **Section 1.** Anchorage Municipal Code section 21.35.020 is hereby amended to read  
12 as follows (*the remainder of the section is not affected and therefore not set out*):  
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14 **21.35.020 Definitions and rules of construction.**

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16 B. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this title, shall have  
17 the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context  
18 clearly indicates a different meaning:

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21 *Property line* means a demarcation limit of a lot dividing it from other lots or  
22 parcels of land.

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24 *Public Health & Safety Laboratory* means research and analysis facilities  
25 operated by public agencies and designed to assure public health and safety  
26 through crime investigation, food safety analysis and other laboratory services.  
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28 *Public Safety Facility* means a facility operated by a government agency, for the  
29 purpose of providing public safety and emergency services, training for public  
30 safety and emergency personnel, and related administrative and support  
31 services.  
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34 *Shooting Range, Outdoor* means an establishment engaged in the use of land for  
35 discharging of firearms for target practice, skeet, and trap shooting. Structures  
36 may include academic or other buildings related to the site operations and  
37 training needs.  
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40 (GAAB 21.05.020; AO No. 77-355; AO No. 78-16; AO No. 78-28; AO No. 78-171; AO  
41 No. 78-231; AO No. 79-214; AO No. 80-42; AO No. 81-67(S); AO No. 81-97; AO No. 81-

1 180; AO No. 82-54; AO No. 82-167; AO No. 83-91(S); AO No. 84-14; AO No. 84-52; AO  
 2 No. 85-58; AO No. 85-159; AO No. 85-91, 10-1-85; AO No. 85-216; AO No. 86-19; AO  
 3 No. 86-78; AO No. 86-90; AO No. 86-171; AO No. 88-172; AO No. 88-171(S-1), 12-31-  
 4 88; AO No. 89-35, 4-7-89; AO No. 88-147(S-2); AO No. 90-50(S); AO No. 91-35; AO No.  
 5 90-152(S); AO No. 91-90(S); AO No. 91-184; AO No. 92-7(S-2); AO No. 92-26; AO No.  
 6 92-93; AO No. 92-128(S); AO No. 92-129(S); AO No. 93-58; AO No. 93-148, § 1, 11-16-  
 7 93; AO No. 94-62, § 2, 4-12-94; AO No. 95-68(S-1), §§ 2, 3, 8-8-95; AO No. 95-173, § 1,  
 8 11-14-95; AO No. 96-41, § 1, 3-5-96; AO No. 96-131(S), § 1, 10-22-96; AO No. 98-106,  
 9 § 1, 7-21-98; AO No. 98-160, § 3, 12-8-98; AO No. 99-62, § 2, 5-11-99; AO No. 2000-  
 10 119(S), § 8, 2-20-01; AO No. 2001-79(S), § 1, 5-8-01; AO No. 2001-80, § 1, 5-8-01; AO  
 11 No. 2002-101(S), § 2, 4-9-02; AO No. 2002-109, § 2, 9-10-02; AO No. 2002-117, § 4, 1-  
 12 28-03; AO No. 2003-62(S-1), § 3, 10-1-03; AO No. 2003-97, § 1, 9-30-03; AO No. 2003-  
 13 132, § 1, 10-7-03; AO No. 2003-124(S), § 1, 1-20-04; AO. No. 2004-108(S), § 2, 10-26-  
 14 04; AO No. 2005-9, § 1, 3-1-05; AO No. 2005-150(S-1), § 1, 2-28-06; AO No. 2005-  
 15 185(S), § 1, 2-28-06; AO No. 2005-124(S-1A), § 4, 4-18-06; AO No. 2006-121, § 1, 9-  
 16 26-06; AO No. 2006-64(S-1), § 1, 12-12-06; AO No. 2007-62, § 1, 5-15-07)

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 18 **Section 2.** Anchorage Municipal Code subsection 21.40.020 is hereby amended to  
 19 read as follows (*the remainder of the section is not affected and therefore not set out*):

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 21 **21.40.020 PLI public lands and institutions district.**

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23 B. *Permitted principal uses and structures.* Permitted principal uses and  
 24 structures are as follows:

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26 22. Public Health & Safety Laboratory.

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29 D. *Conditional uses.* Subject to the requirements of the conditional use  
 30 standards and procedures of this title, the following uses may be permitted:

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32 22. Shooting range, outdoor.

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 34 23. Public safety facility.

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37 (GAAB 21.05.050.A; AO No. 77-355; AO No. 79-25; AO No. 81-67(S); AO No.  
 38 81-178(S); AO No. 82-24; AO No. 83-78; AO No. 84-34; AO No. 85-18; AO No.  
 39 85-28; AO No. 85-78; AO No. 85-23; AO No. 85-91, 10-1-85; AO No. 86-19; AO  
 40 No. 86-90; AO No. 88-7(S), 7-4-88; AO No. 90-152(S); AO No. 92-93; AO No.  
 41 93-148, § 3, 11-16-93; AO No. 95-68(S-1), § 4, 8-8-95; AO No. 96-131(S), § 3,  
 42 10-22-96; AO No. 99-62, § 3, 5-11-99; AO No. 99-131, § 6, 10-26-99; AO No. 99-  
 43 149, § 1, 12-14-99; AO No. 2002-109, § 3, 9-12-02; AO No. 2003-132, § 2, 10-7-  
 44 03; AO No. 2005-9, § 2, 3-1-05; AO No. 2005-42(S), § 1, 5-31-05; AO No. 2005-

150(S-1), § 2, 2-28-06; AO No. 2005-185(S), § 2, 2-28-06; AO No. 2005-124(S-1A), § 5, 4-18-06; AO No. 2006-64(S-1), §§ 2, 3, 12-12-06)

**Section 3.** Anchorage Municipal Code chapter 21.50 is hereby amended to add a new section to read as follows:

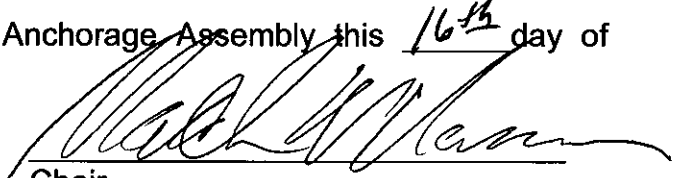
**21.50.410 Conditional use standards—Shooting range, outdoor.**

The following standards shall apply to outdoor shooting ranges:

- A. *Site size.* The minimum site size shall be 20 acres.
- B. *Setbacks.* All shooting areas shall be set back a minimum distance of 100 feet from any public right-of-way. Buildings located behind the firing line are allowed to be located to the normal zone setback.
- C. *Shooting area.* The backstop must be an earth mound or dugout of sufficient dimension to stop projectiles. Casual access into the line of fire shall be prevented through fencing or some equally effective equivalent.
- D. *On-site uses.* An accessory retail store, snack shop, ammunition storage, and/or short-term rental of firearms and equipment for use only on the premises are permitted. ~~Ammunition storage for the use is permitted.~~ Sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
- E. *Noise Impact Analysis.* A noise impact analysis with a noise map based on the types of firing and layout of the range shall be submitted ~~presented~~ as part of the conditional use application ~~hearing~~.

**Section 4.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Municipal Clerk