

Municipality of Anchorage

P.O. Box 390
Girdwood, Alaska 99587
<http://www.muni.org/gbos>

Suzanne LaFrance Mayor



*GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Briana Sullivan & Mike Edgington, Co-Chairs
Jennifer Wingard, Brian Burnett, Kellie Okonek*

Resolution 2025-04 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors **Support for Marijuana Tax Proceeds to support and stabilize Girdwood Childcare and Early Education**

Whereas, access to childcare is an important aspect of a community's economic stability; and

Whereas, marijuana taxes are generated in the Girdwood Valley Service Area; and

Whereas, Girdwood is geographically located 37 miles away from Anchorage on one of the most dangerous highways in the state; and

Whereas, Proposition 14 was passed by the Anchorage voters to amend the Anchorage Municipal Charter regarding the marijuana retail tax to dedicate tax proceeds to childcare and early education; and

Whereas, Proposition 7 supported adding the power to provide services that promote local housing and economic stability to the existing powers of Girdwood Valley Service Area (GVSA); and

Whereas, GVSA can hold a childcare-restricted account under the Girdwood Board of Supervisors; and

Whereas, sales of Marijuana impact the Girdwood community in a variety of ways; and

Whereas, support for this action has been received from the Girdwood Housing and Economic Committee at their regular meeting on December 2, 2024 and by the Girdwood Land Use Committee at their Regular meeting on December 9, 2024.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports that the marijuana taxes generated in the Girdwood Valley should be directed toward supporting licensed childcare and early education in the community which generated them and recommends that the equivalent of 1% of the income received through the Marijuana Tax Areawide be directed, annually to GVSA to support local childcare and early education operational needs and capital improvements.

Passed and approved by the Girdwood Board of Supervisors by a vote of 3 in favor and 1 opposed on this 27th day of January, 2025.

Mike Edgington

Mike Edgington
GBOS Co-Chair

Margaret Tyler

Attest