MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE



Assembly Memorandum

No. <u>AM 683-2022</u>

Meeting Date: November 22, 2022

From: ASSEMBLY MEMBERS DUNBAR, QUINN-DAVIDSON, AND

VOLLAND

Subject: A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

REVISING AND REALLOCATING FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$400,000) OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) OF 2021 LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR SECURITY AND CLEANING SERVICES AROUND CERTAIN

MUNICIPALLY OWNED PROPERTIES.

This resolution revises and reallocates \$400,000 of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

AR 2022-292 reduced to zero the appropriation of \$1,000,000 for Beetle Kill Mitigation, previously appropriated by AR 2022-178(S), Section 66.c., and made \$350,000 of those funds available to other organizations and left \$650,000 unallocated.

This resolution makes \$400,000 of the previously unallocated funds available to the Maintenance and Operations Department for increased security and cleaning services around Peratrovich Park, the Chester Creek Sports Complex, and the segment of Chester Creek Trail between Woodside Park and Arctic Boulevard. These services are requested to be implemented no later than January 2, 2023 until one (1) week after the closing of the Emergency Cold Weather Shelter at the Sullivan Arena.

It is requested that security and cleaning services rotate between the aforementioned locations, which are proximal to homeless shelter. Security is not intended to be a replacement for law enforcement. Instead, at these locations, and when traveling between locations, security can provide "eyes and ears" and, when necessary, they should call in reports to 911, 311 or other municipal services (e.g. AncWorks) as appropriate. Ideally, security personnel will create a log of time spent at each location, concerns in need of addressing, and reports made.

AMC 16.125.065 describes the Municipality of Anchorage's commitment to minimizing homeless shelter impacts on neighborhoods. It states "no tolerance for unlawful loitering, soliciting in streets or roadways, or unauthorized camping within 1/4 mile of the shelter," and that "municipal law and code enforcement shall support this commitment as resources allow." It also allows that "resources and technical assistance may be provided by the Mayor and health department."

This appropriation builds upon this commitment by providing temporary mitigation 1 of impacts at specific municipally-owned locations which have given rise to recent 2 public safety concerns raised by Anchorage residents and business owners. 3 4 We request your support of this resolution. 5 6 Prepared by: 7 Desirea C. Camacho, Assembly Budget Analyst Fund certification: Requested 8 241900-9000005-IO8XXXXX \$400,000 9 10 (ARPA Grant – Federal Grant Direct) 11 Forrest Dunbar, Assembly Member Respectfully submitted: 12 District 5, East Anchorage 13 14 Austin Quinn-Davidson, Assembly Member 15 District 3, West Anchorage 16 17 18 Daniel Volland, Assembly Member District 1, North Anchorage 19