## Turnagain Community Council c/o Breck Tostevin, President 3340 Knik Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99517

February 10, 2009

Representative Lindsey Holmes

Senator Hollis French

RE: Turnagain Community Council 2009 Capital Project Rankings

Dear Representative Holmes and Senator French:

We received requests from your staff for updates of our capital improvement project ranks since we submitted them to the Municipality in May.

Attached are the Turnagain Community Council 2009 Capital Improvement Project Rankings adopted at our May 7, 2009 meeting. Also attached is the October 1, 2009 response of the Project Management and Engineering Department's response to the Council concerning our road project rankings. We have not received a formal response from Anchorage Parks and Recreation on our parks rankings.

We continue to support our number one rank road project which is long-term Turnagain Street upgrades for pedestrian safety. Turnagain Street had new pavement and some drainage work completed in 2009. This is a great improvement but the longer term pedestrian issues have not been resolved. Our second priority state grant road project is 35<sup>th</sup> and McRae where the design has been completed through a context sensitive design process with the neighbors. Continued funding to complete the projects set out in the Turnagain Traffic Calming Study would be much welcomed. Two traffic calming projects were constructed last year with state grant funds.

Our top park priorities on the list are Coastal Trail Buffer/Greenbelt Acquisition and Coastal Trail Rehabilitation. We are not aware of any buffer/greenbelt acquisition opportunities at this time so that priority is not as critical at this time.

The third priority on the May parks ranking is Lyn Ary Park improvements. We recently completed a master plan for the Park (which is in the process of Municipal approval) setting out what long term improvements we would like to see to the Park. We realize Lyn Ary Park has received Legislative grants in 2006 and 2008. If there was a desire to fund other parks, a smaller park's project that has been on our priority list for many years we would recommend the Earthquake Park safety improvement project which involves

installing low-level parking lot lighting and security cameras to deter late night use and vandalism.

If you have any questions concerning these rankings please feel free to contact me (<a href="mailto:tccpresident@yahoo.com">tccpresident@yahoo.com</a> or 269-5282).

Sincerely,

Breck Tostevin President, Turnagain Community Council

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