

# NECC

Northeast Community Council

Resolution 3 - February 15, 2007

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TO: Mayor Mark Begich  
Municipality of Anchorage Assembly  
Superintendent Carol Comeau  
Anchorage School Board

FROM: Peggy Robinson, President Northeast Community Council, 333-1831

SUBJECT: Transfer of Management Authority of MOA Land

Since last March, a pattern started concerning the transfer of management authority of MOA land without adequate public notification and discussion. The NECC has seen this occur three times with ASD controlled land within our own boundaries or effecting residents that live within our boundaries. We are concerned.

The first was swapping about 5 acres of Begich Middle School play field area with land designated for the permanent site of the Northeast Community Center and Muldoon Library. The second was an attempt to include in a land trade for a south Anchorage Park some Bartlett High School land that had trails on it that were used by the school and community. The third was reserving 5 acres of Clark Middle School land to the west of the building for part of the commercial development that the Municipality is encouraging.

A school board member told me that ASD doesn't have a public hearing on these items because they assume the Municipality is doing it.

The only way we find out about these occurrences or attempts is indirectly, by a presentation about a school design or a member reading about the issue in the newspaper or as a side to a report on another topic. No notice to the effected community council is given, or notice is given after it is too late to effect the change. If there is a public hearing on whether to change the management authority of a piece of public land, the description of the land is usually the legal description.

After discussion, the following motion was voted on:

NECC February 15, 2007 Motion (3):

*Therefore, be it resolved, that*

*The Northeast Community Council officially requests the administration of the Municipality of Anchorage, the Anchorage Assembly, and the Anchorage School District Administration and School Board to require public notice and a public hearing on any transfer of management authority from one division of the Municipality to another, including to or from the Anchorage School District. This notification shall go the*

*community council(s) where in the land lies and also to the councils in the attendance area of the school if it is ASD managed land. Notification shall also go the school community (staff, students, parents) if it is ASD managed land. Notification shall include the street address or clear identification of the property and school name if it is ASD managed land. No action shall be taken on transfer of management authority of the property until proper notice, public hearing, and a vote by both the Assembly and School Board (if ASD managed land) has occurred.*

This motion passed 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining.

We ask that you act upon this motion as warranted in the interests of the NECC and the community of Anchorage as a whole. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Robinson".

March 4, 2007

Attachment: Summary of Land Trade Issues – MOA and ASD – In NECC Area