



Glen Alps Community Council Newsletter

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Community involvement to maintain a high quality of life

ABBREVIATED PLAT PROCEDURE ORDINANCE APPROVED

Ordinance 2004-130 amends Anchorage Abbreviated Plat Procedure to limit the size of parcels eligible for short platting to less than 10 acres and the timeframe within which they are eligible to be subdivided. This amendment was requested by HALO, Rabbit Creek CC, Huffman/O'Malley CC, and Bear Valley CC to stave off unplanned, scatter-shot development where no proper infrastructure exists.

PLANNING DIRECTOR SPEAKS ABOUT THE HILLSIDE DISTRICT PLAN

Tom Nelson, the Planning Director, spoke before several dozen people at the Feb. 3rd HALO meeting. Nelson reported that the Assembly appropriation of \$100,000 to start up the long awaited Hillside District Plan would begin in April or May after staff completes other projects. Joanne Contraras is the planner assigned to organize the HDP effort.

The first phase will be to develop the scope of work and citizens will be involved in that process. Nelson explained many issues surrounding the HDP including the need to first define "Rural" and "Level of Service". A portion of the plan will begin soon with a Subarea Circulation (transportation) Study for a portion of SE Anchorage which currently does not have any road infrastructure, but which is about to encounter development over several hundred acres on steep, wet slopes.

Members at the meeting pointed out that the study would not cover enough area to include a critical connection to Potter Valley and that funds should be made available to do a complete study rather than piecemeal. Another person brought up the fact that the contractor and RFP (request for proposal) for the study had already been done without public input and this was exactly what residents feared would happen with the rest of the HDP planning process.

ANCHORAGE TREERIFIC

Anchorage Parks and Recreation and the Alaska Community Forest Council invite you to join Anchorage TREERific, a new local citizen's group forming to plant, protect and maintain Anchorage's urban forest.

Volunteer for Anchorage TREERific and make Anchorage a more livable city. Anchorage TREERific is looking for volunteers to help care for our urban forests by holding Arbor Day Events, organizing Tree Tours in Parks and Neighborhoods, and by planting and pruning trees. Together, we can help Anchorage actively manage its urban forest and make it Alaska's next Tree City USA.

For more information, call Emily Creely at 561-0803.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Newlywed couple seeks Mother-In-Law apartment (or equivalent), beginning May 1st, 2005. Have very excellent tenant references. Please contact Courtney Larsen at 276-8150 (wk) or 622-3444 (hm).

NEWS FROM HALO

HALO meets at 7:00 PM on the 1st Thursday of each month at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center (corner of O'Malley and Hillside). HALO is a totally volunteer non-profit organization that was incorporated in 1974 to preserve the quality of life of East Anchorage Hillside residents (formerly Area "G"). To be an effective advocate for the community, HALO needs your support. Membership is \$10 per year. For more information, contact: HALO, P.O. Box 110096, Anchorage, AK 99511

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or email information to: mhendee@acsalaska.net

Dues: (\$5 per member, make checks out to: Glen Alps Community Council)

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Location of property within GACC area: _____

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