

NECC

Northeast Community Council

Resolution 2 - June 21, 2007

TO: Anchorage Planning and Zoning Commission
MOA Planning Department
Mayor Mark Begich
Assembly Members Bauer, Ossiander, Selkregg, Starr

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

SUBJECT: Case 2007-094 Title 21.40.180 & 21.50.035 proposed changes

At the NorthEast Community Council meeting on June 21st, we discussed the proposed changes in Title 21 to locating community correctional residential facilities. We are concerned about locating these facilities too close to one another, which is why this section was changed previously to space them at least one mile apart. We are also concerned about housing felons in these facilities, which may be closer to residential areas than where they are currently located. Of special concern was the housing of sex offenders. This was added to the main motion as an amendment, with a vote of 15 for, 12 opposed, and 2 abstaining.

We understand that appropriate and supervised integration back into society is important for successful rehabilitation of criminals. This is a balancing act between the quality of life in the community location and the needs of the correctional community for additional residential facilities.

The following motion was made:

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The NorthEast Community Council supports the recommended change in this section for facilities to not exceed 30 residents. We support allowing up to 10% of the capacity of the facility to house felons (except sex offenders). We support decreasing the distance between such facilities to ½ mile, property line to property line.

After further discussion among the membership, the motion passed: 21 in favor, 3 opposed, 4 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:

