

# NECC

Northeast Community Council

Executive Board Resolution 2

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TO: Sharon Ferguson, Senior Planner, Planning Department  
Mayor Mark Begich  
Sheila Selkregg & Paul Bauer, Assembly Members

FROM: Peggy Robinson, President North East Community Council  
333-1831 or 632-6436

SUBJECT: Proposed Fence Location at Begich Middle School and Land Management Issues

DATE: August 2, 2007

The North East Community Council Board of Directors met on August 2, 2007. President Peggy Robinson had been contacted by Senior Planner, Sharon Ferguson, on July 31, requesting NECC comment on the installation of a chain link fence running east – west between the Fire Department and the back driveway to the Begich Middle School. It would be just north of the track. A drawing of the location was faxed to Peggy, and she made a site visit on that same day. The drawing and additional back up material were provided to the Board at the meeting. Sharon requested comment by August 3, as they wanted to install the fence as soon as possible.

NECC By-laws allow the Board to act for the council as a whole if there are time constraints that do not allow the proposed action to be taken at the regular meeting, which is scheduled for August 16. Action the Board takes is reported at the next membership meeting.

The 5 acres to be separated by the fence has recently been described as “Fire Department” property. On March 30, 2006 the NECC Board had a very involved discussion over the switching of this site between the school district and the Municipality. This site was originally for school sports fields, and the site on the corner of Creekside Drive and Debarr had been designated as a permanent site for a community center and library. George Vakalis and Ray Amsden from ASD and Robin Ward and two Anchorage Fire Department representatives were there from MOA. On August 31, 2006, Robin confirmed in writing that AFD would only need up to one acre of land, and Jeff Dillon, Director of Parks and Recreation, confirmed in writing that the land would still be “set aside for the future Muldoon Community Center”.

The NECC Board discussed both the fence and the larger issue of management authority of the 5 acres and the future of the permanent location of the Muldoon Community Center and Library. The following motion was made:

*The NECC Board of Directors supports to installation of a chain link fence as shown on the drawing dated July 10, 2007 for Begich Middle School. We request that a black vinyl coated fence be strongly considered, as it blends into the background.*

*The NECC Board also requests that the Mayor, Director of Parks and Recreation, Director of Real Estate Services, Director of Library Services, Fire Chief, and Assembly members Selkregg and Bauer meet with representatives of NE Community Council and NE Community Center as soon as possible to discuss and hopefully agree upon the future of a permanent location for the Muldoon Community Center and Muldoon Library.*

The vote was 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstaining. One board member was absent.

We ask that you consider our motion as you make decisions in the best interests of the NECC and the community of Anchorage as a whole. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Signed:

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

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Peggy Robinson, President NECC