

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2008-04

A RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE LAND USE IMPACT IN THE PURPOSE AND NEED STATEMENT OF THE “GLENN HIGHWAY TO SEWARD HIGHWAY CONNECTION PROJECT” ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

WHEREAS, the Anchorage 2020 comprehensive plan states the Anchorage community desires a “healthy environment and economy, livable neighborhoods, and mobility options;” and

WHEREAS, development of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP, 2005)—a “functional plan” component of the Anchorage 2020 comprehensive plan—focused on how land use and transportation choices should achieve the community vision outlined therein; and

WHEREAS, the LRTP states that future development shall be guided by the community’s aspirations for “a transportation system, based on land use, that moves people and goods safely, conveniently, and economically, with minimal adverse impact on the community;” and

WHEREAS, the LRTP calls for the Municipality of Anchorage to pursue design and construction of the Seward Highway to Glenn Highway Connection Project (H2H); and

WHEREAS, the Fairview Community Council seeks to ensure that areas impacted by the H2H project receive significant economic and community benefits, and that any neighborhood impacted likewise receive significant benefit from the project; and

WHEREAS, the LRTP, and its application of Context Sensitive Solution principles to recognize “one neighborhood's desire for revitalization and expansion of its commercial district through careful routing of the [H2H] connector to support economic development plans and the associated land use/development,” has been identified by the Federal Highway Administration as an *Effective Practices* case study.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Fairview Community Council urges that the Environmental Impact Statement for a possible freeway through a predominately low- to moderate-income area take into account the potential impacts on the economic and community vitality of the area.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Fairview Community Council requests that the issue of land use impact be included in the Purpose and Need statement of the Environmental Impact Statement for the H2H project.

RESOLVED this 11th day of September, 2008.



President