

Resolution 2009-1

Airport Heights Community Council

Regarding Highway to Highway (H2H) Alternatives

WHEREAS, we place a high value on the quality of life in our neighborhood, including Eastridge's peaceful, natural setting in a central midtown location.

WHEREAS, the 15th Avenue Alternate route would invade the 'quiet zone' of the Alaska Regional Hospital as well as adjacent neighborhoods.

WHEREAS, the 15th Avenue Alternate route would destroy Sitka Park and its natural habitat as a wildlife corridor including a known flyway for migratory waterfowl that is open all year round and anadromous streams, along with the bike trail which is enjoyed not by just the Airport Heights Community Council residents, but by the entire city all year long; and further, that most residents, including many retirees, have chosen to purchase a home in the Eastridge area in pursuit of these location amenities.

WHEREAS the 15th avenue alternative introduces safety concerns regarding Merrill Field air and pedestrian traffic.

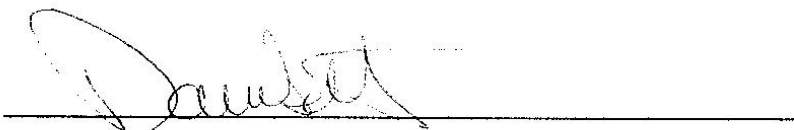
WHEREAS, we are opposed to any alternatives that destroy the quality of life and integrity of any existing neighborhoods.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Airport Heights Community council requests of the H2H project that they eliminate proposed alternatives that destroy the quality of life and natural healthy settings in any of Anchorage's existing communities, and,

IT THEREFORE BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the Airport Heights Community Council requests of the H2H project that they support solutions to address land use patterns and various transportation alternatives that protect and enhance existing community stability, such as in the community of Eastridge; and,

IT THEREFORE BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the Airport Heights Community Council submit this Resolution to the H2H Project as its formal public comments on the Project, opposing the 15th Avenue Alternative in the strongest of possible terms.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Airport Heights Community Council this 15th day of October 2009.



Dawn Scott, Airport Heights Community Council Secretary/Treasurer