

Federation of Community Councils Manager's Report

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Facilitation of Council Parks Projects

The Councils Center has recently assisted five different councils with parks projects they are working on at this time: The Government Hill Orchard and Gardens, the Fish Creek Trail to the Ocean, the Muldoon Town Center Park, the Mountain View Farmers Market, and Del's Woods in Bear Valley. These are all wonderful community-building projects for the neighborhoods.

Council Bylaws

There are still councils that have not completed council bylaws that are in compliance with the new ordinance. Contact Municipal Ombudsman Darryl Hess if you have any questions.

Those shown as not being completed are: Chugiak, Sand Lake, Basher, Downtown, Eagle River, Glen Alps, Hillside East, North Star, Portage Valley, and Scenic Foothills. Midtown has draft bylaws submitted to the Ombudsman for final review.

Expiring Grants

Three grants are expiring at the end of this State of Alaska fiscal year (June 30, 2016). All monies in these grants must be used for the stated purpose of the grant by June 30, 2016 or the money will be returned to the State. Another option is to have the Legislature re-appropriate the funds to another purpose (this would have to happen during the 2016 Legislative session.) The three grantees are the Anchorage Coalition of Community Patrols, the Mountain View Crime Watch, and the Northeast Community Patrol.

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