

Turnagain Community Council

Meeting Notices, Announcements & Project Updates

Compiled by TCC Vice President Cathy Gleason — as of May 5, 2016

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MAY 2016 NOTICES:

- **May 1-7 — Anchorage Chamber Citywide Cleanup Week.** Official orange bags can be picked up at the customer service desk at Fred Meyer stores, with a limit of two bags per person. Use for trash you pick up along roads, in parks, along trails, etc. (NOT for household trash, yard waste or woodlot materials!) During Cleanup Week, drop off the bags FREE at the Central Transfer Station (closed on May 7th) or the Anchorage Regional Landfill. To be accepted without a fee, orange bags must be delivered separately from other waste.
Info: info@anchoragechamber.org, 272-2401
- **May 5 — Turnagain Community Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Turnagain Elementary School Library, 3500 W. Northern Lights Blvd.**
Info: TCC President Jonathan Tarrant, tccpresent@yahoo.com
- **May 5 — Anchorage Talks Transit Kickoff Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Anchorage Museum, 625 C St.** People Mover wants to hear from the public about transit priorities, such as Ridership or Coverage? Peak-First or All Day Service? Walking Distance to Bus Stops?
To join update mailing list and for info: www.PeopleMover.org/TransitTalks
- **May 7 — FREE Dump Days, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Anchorage Regional Landfill, 15500 E. Eagle River Loop Road.** Solid Waste Services will accept free loads at the regional land fill only; *the Central Transfer Station will be closed to all users on this Saturday.* Only residential waste is accepted for no fee during Free Dump Days. All loads must not exceed 1,000 lbs. and must be secured or covered to prevent littering in transit; uncovered loads will be subject to fines.
Info: info@anchoragechamber.org, 272-2401
- **May 9 — Planning & Zoning Commission NON-Public Hearing/ Deliberation on the Turnagain St. & Turnagain Blvd. Upgrade Design Study Report, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Chambers, Loussac Library, 3600 Denali St.** *(Please note: new, temporary Assembly chambers building entrance is farther west of the old first floor library entrance.)* Case No. 2016-0042 — Upgrades address drainage, and provides sidewalk/trail and landscaping. Turnagain Blvd. (1) and Turnagain St. (2) have been the top ranked TCC CIP road and drainage projects for several years. Project overview will be provided at the TCC May 5th meeting.
Info: Mark Kimerer, mkimerer@bettisworthnorth.com, 561-5780
- **May 12 — PUBLIC HEARING — Parks and Recreation Commission Hearing on Anchorage Trail Wayfinding Signage Design, 6:00 p.m., Spenard Recreation Center, 2020 W. 48th Ave.**
To view the wayfinding signage design options:
<http://anchorageparkfoundation.org/programs/trails-initiative/signage-wayfinding-plan/>
Info: Trails@AnchorageParkFoundation.org
- **May 13 — Earthquake Park Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony, 1:30-2:00 p.m., Earthquake Park parking lot, 5010 Point Woronzof Rd.** Join the Anchorage Park Foundation and a 3rd Grade Turnagain Elementary School class for a wibbon cutting ceremony to celebrate new park interpretive signs and trail/signage below the parking lot area.
Info: APF Director Beth Nordlund, beth@anchorageparkfoundaion.org

- **May 12-15 — Anchorage Waterways 2016 Council's Creek Cleanup, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** Choose a location and sign up a team in advance, or show up on **Saturday, May 14th**, at **University Lake or Westchester Lagoon** for supplies. **NOTE:** The Fish Creek Trail to Ocean Working Group is planning to pick up trash on Saturday, May 14th, along the Fish Creek/Estuary in areas between W. Northern Lights Blvd. and Westchester Lagoon. Please contact Meghan Holtan at holton.meghan@gmail.com if you are interested in joining the group!
Info: www.anchoragecreeks.org
- **May 19 — TCC Board Meeting, time & location TBA**
Info. and to confirm: TCC President Jonathan Tarrant, tccpresident@yahoo.com
- **May 24 — CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING — Assembly on Cell Tower Revisions to Municipal Code, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Chambers, Loussac Library, 3600 Denali St.** *(Please note: new, temporary Assembly chambers building entrance is farther west of the old first floor library entrance.)* These revisions address, among other things, public notice requirements and height allowances and types in zoning districts. On April 26th, the Assembly opened its public hearing on the draft ordinance (both the original draft and the (S) version); it has been continued to May 24th. The Assembly is holding a worksession on this item on May 13th.
To view the draft ordinance, go to:
<http://www.muni.org/Departments/Assembly/Documents/Draft%20AO%20Telecommunications%20code%20revisions.pdf>
- **May 25 — Airport Lake Hood Seaplane Base Master Plan Update Advisory Committee Meeting #5 (last), 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., North Terminal, 4600 Postmark Dr, ANC Badge Office, Room NA 165.** Draft Development Plan is completed; last public meeting was held April 28th. Public is welcome to attend.
Info. & to join email list and receive meeting notices: www.lhdmasterplan.com.
Questions? Teri Lindseth, Airport Planning, 266-2544, teri.linseth@alaska.gov.
- **May 27 — PUBLIC COMMENT DEADLINE — Airport Lake Hood Seaplane Base Master Plan Update Draft Development Plan.** At our April 7th meeting, TCC reaffirmed our previous position opposing any more development in Turnagain Bog — and voted to oppose three specific projects in the Draft Development Plan that would be located in Turnagain Bog: a pedestrian pathway east of the gravel runway; GA wheeled plane tie-down parking and lease lots east of the gravel runway; and GA wheeled plane tie-down parking west of the existing Echo parking lot.
- **May 31st — PUBLIC COMMENT DEADLINE EXTENDED — Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan Map Project.** The Public Review/Community Discussion Draft of the Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan Map (LUPM) has been released and posted on the project website. *Due to delayed release of some documents, the MOA Planning Dept. has extended its comment deadline to May 31st. The TCC Committee is reviewing the draft LUPM and will provide recommendations for consideration at the TCC May 5th meeting.*
Anchorage Bowl LUPM website:
<http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/default.aspx>
Info: MOA Planning Dept., Long-Range Planning Section, 343-7921
To join the TCC LUPM Committee, contact Committee Co-chairs:
Anna Brawley, annab.brawley@gmail.com, or Cathy Gleason, cathy.gleasantcc@yahoo.com, 248-0442
- **May 31st — PUBLIC COMMENT DEADLINE — Municipality Capital Improvement Program Community Council Project Ranking.** TCC will ranking our top project priorities for Municipal Roads and Drainage projects as well as Muni Parks & Recreation projects at our May 5th meeting.
Info: TCC Vice President Cathy Gleason, cathy.gleasantcc@yahoo.com

JUNE 2016 NOTICES:

- **June 2 — Turnagain Community Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., — PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MEETING LOCATION — Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lunney Center, 3900 Wisconsin St.**
Info: TCC President Jonathan Tarrant, tccpresent@yahoo.com

- **June 13 — PUBLIC HEARING — Planning & Zoning Commission Hearing on the Anchorage Land Use Plan Map Update (Public Hearing Draft), 6:30 p.m., Assembly Chambers, Loussac Library, 3600 Denali St.** *(Please note: new, temporary Assembly chambers building entrance is farther west of the old first floor library entrance.)* After receiving comments on the Community Discussion Draft, the Planning Department will release a Public Hearing Draft, with a 21-day public comment period. **The TCC Committee will be reviewing the public hearing draft after its release and will provide recommendations for consideration at the TCC June 2th meeting.**
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PROJECT UPDATES:

- **Northern Lights Blvd/Benson Blvd. Improvement Project Update**

Spring work is now resuming — expect nightly LANE RESTRICTIONS from 8:00 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, with extended working hours on weekends for underground work. Paving of Northern Lights Blvd. and Benson Blvd., from the Seward Highway to Lake Otis Pkwy., is scheduled to begin the third week of May. Upon completion, both Northern Lights Blvd./Benson Blvd. will be repaved and have new signage and striping, curb ramps will be upgraded to current ADA standards, and automated traffic recorders and signal system will be improved. Completion is scheduled for June 2016.

Info: DOT at <http://AlaskaNavigator.org> or 770-2612.

To sign up for project updates, email: NorthernlightsBenson@spawnak.com.

- **W. Northern Lights Blvd. at Alaska Railroad Overpass Drainage Improvements**

The Draft Design Study Report has been released for review and comments. **TCC has ranked this project as a high priority in our CIP list for several years. MOA Project Administrator Duane Maney will provide an overview of the project at the TCC May 5th meeting.**

Info: maneydc@muni.org, 343-8221

To submit a comment: <http://www.wnorthernlightsdrainageimprovements.com>

- **2016 Park and Trail Projects in Turnagain**

The Anchorage Park Foundation/Parks Dept. released upcoming project info. for parks and trails the Turnagain neighborhood:

Upgraded Playground Equipment and other amenities:

Barbara Street Park
Kiwanis Fish Creek Park

Volunteer Events:

July 16th — Fish Creek Corridor Cleanup at Barbara Street Park
 (focus on removal of invasive plant species/improving visibility)
September 10th — Kiwanis Fish Creek Park
Improvements Ribbon Cutting & Volunteer Tree Planting/Fix-It Day

Parks Receiving Challenge Grants:

Barbara Street Park

Coastal Trail Bridge Replacement:

Fish Creek Bridge
Sisson Loop Bridge

Info: Taylor Keegan, MOA Park Planner, 343-4518, keeganth@muni.org

- **Fish Creek Trail to Ocean Working Group**

A multi-council/citizens working group is exploring the possibility of a trail along Fish Creek between W. Northern Lights and the Coastal Trail.

Info: If you are interested in participating in the working group, contact: Meghan Holtan, holtan.meghan@gmail.com
OR *Fill out the form linked at:* <http://goo.gl/forms/I3Bp81JCK1>

- **Heritage Land Bank 2016 Work Program & 2017-2021 Five-Year Management Plan**

TCC submitted comments on these plans (approved at our April 7th meeting) as there is HLB land located within the TCC boundaries. Staff accepted some of TCC's plan amendments. On April 14th, the HLB Advisory Committee approved the draft plan, with staff amendments; recommendations will now be forwarded to the Assembly for final approval — no public hearing date has been set.

Info: MOA Real Estate Department, 343-7533

- **Neighborhood Responsibility Planning for Marijuana Establishments**

On April 12th, the Assembly passed an (S) version of the Marijuana Neighborhood Responsibility Planning ordinance (this addressed questions raised by the TCC Marijuana Committee in March on the original draft). This ordinance provides guidance for community councils and marijuana retail establishments to facilitate communication and resolve potential issues. The ordinance includes a template Memorandum of Understanding for councils.

Info: TCC Marijuana Committee Co-chairs: Anna Brawley, annab.brawley@gmail.com, 717-7073;
Cathy Gleason, cathy.gleasantcc@yahoo.com, 248-0442.

- **Fish Creek Trail Improvements Project Design Study**

This mile-long project includes upgrades to a southern section of Fish Creek Trail between 45th Ave. and the Taft St./W. Tudor Rd. intersection and a northern section between Kiwanis Fish Creek Park and Barbara Street Park. Trail upgrades include resurfacing trail, replacement of four Fish Creek bridges, replacement of lighting, minor improvements to the trail grade and alignment, and removal of select nearby trees and installation of root barriers to reduce future pavement damage caused by root intrusion. Design will continue through 2016, and construction is anticipated to begin summer 2017. **THIS PROJECT WAS INCLUDED IN THE APRIL 5th BALLOT ROADS AND DRAINAGE BOND — WHICH WAS APPROVED BY ANCHORAGE VOTERS.** A TCC Committee has been formed to review and provide comments/recommendations as soon as possible.

To sign up for the TCC Committee: Please contact Cathy Gleason at cathy.gleasantcc@yahoo.com, 248-0442 if you would like to serve on the committee.

Project Info. www.anchoragetrailsrehab.com

- **Neighborhood Streets Qualifying for Traffic Calming Assistance**

The Municipality of Anchorage has released an updated list of streets that have qualified for traffic calming assistance. TCC had submitted a list for consideration and two of the streets — McKenzie Dr. (from Aldren Cir. to Milky Way Dr.) and W. 33rd Ave. (from Turnagain St. to Wisconsin St.) — made the "Qualified Streets List." The full list of qualifying and "culled" street lists are posted on the TCC website.

- **Spenard Road Reconstruction Project — Hillcrest Dr. to 30th Ave.**

In response to public comments, the proposed 4-foot bikeway will be upgraded to 5-foot bike lanes on both sides of the road through the entire length of the project. This is in addition to the 8-foot-wide multi-use pathway. Adjacent properties will be impacted, requiring acquisition of additional right-of-way. Updated preliminary design drawings showing the changes will be posted on the project website as soon as available. **THIS PROJECT WAS INCLUDED IN THE APRIL 5th BALLOT ROADS AND DRAINAGE BOND — WHICH WAS APPROVED BY ANCHORAGE VOTERS.**

- **DEC Permit Approved for Chemical Applications to Eradicate Elodea at Lake Hood & Spenard Lake**

At the April 4th Lake Hood User Group meeting, DNR Invasive Plant & Agriculture Pest Coordinator Heather Stewart provided an update on the effort to eradicate the Elodea plant at the Lake Hood Airport. Last year, after Elodea was discovered at Lake Hood, an emergency exemption was approved to apply two chemicals (Diquat and Flurodine) to the water last summer and fall. On March 24th, 2016, DEC approved a four-year application permit to the Airport for use of these chemicals, to continue Elodea eradication efforts in the Lake Hood/Spenard Lake waterbodies.

Info: Tim Coons, Lake Hood Seaplane Base Manager, tim.coons@alaska.gov, 266-2410

- **Airport 2016 Summer Construction Projects**

2016 Airport Construction Projects Map and associated project descriptions are now available.

Go to: www.anchorageairport.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

▪ SIGN UP FOR 'BERKOWITZ BULLETIN':

Mayor Ethan Berkowitz has a new newsletter called *Berkowitz Bulletin*.

Sign up to receive by email at: www.muni.org, then click on 'Mayor's Corner' on the home page, then click on the newsletter graphic on the right-hand side.

▪ MAYOR BERKOWITZ INVITES INNOVATION, SOLUTIONS WITH "ANCHORAGE INNOVATES":

Mayor Ethan Berkowitz has announced "Anchorage Innovates" — a new place for the Mayor to receive feedback, comments, questions, and concerns.

A link to "Anchorage Innovates" can be found on www.muni.org and on the Mayor's page at:
www.muni.org/departments/mayor/pages/default.aspx.

Comments, questions and concerns can also be submitted through emailing: mayor@muni.org, calling 343-7100, or if you are feeling nostalgic, mailing a letter to: P.O. Box 196650 Anchorage, Alaska 99519.

For more information, contact: Myer Hutchinson at (907) 343-7133.

TCC Board Input on TWO Airport Responses to TCC's Comments Approved on March 3, 2016, on the Updates to the Airport Communications Plan:

#5 — PAGE 7 — SECTION 2.3.2 — PUBLIC NOTICE:

TCC COMMENT ON DRAFT UPDATE:

Amend the 3rd graph in this section with the following: "With regard to leases and permits for Airport land, terminal Space, and concessions, Alaska Administrative Code, Title 17 Chapter 42, regulates public notice. In order to notify Community Councils and the public when the Airport receives land lease and permit applications (to reviewed and provide comments), the Airport will provide notice of lease applications and public comment deadlines as well as notice of approved Airport land lease and permit applications through:

- Publication on the State of Alaska Online Public Notice System
- Posting in a public place on or near the Airport
- Emailing the three surrounding Community Councils
- Emailing via GovDelivery a notice of application receipt, comment deadline, and link to the application"

AIRPORT RESPONSE:

Community Councils should be signed up for Gov Delivery, eliminating the need for a separate email. Not all lease applications are approvable, so until such time as they are deemed approvable they will not be noticed. The airport will revise this section to read as follows below.

"With regard to leases and permits for Airport land, terminal Space, and concessions, Alaska Administrative Code, Title 17 Chapter 42, regulates public notice. In order to notify Community Councils and the public when the Airport finds a land lease application approvable and ready for public review and comment, the Airport will provide notice of such lease applications through:

- Publication on the State of Alaska Online Public Notice System
- Posting in a public place on or near the Airport
- Emailing via GovDelivery"

TCC BOARD RESPONSE TO AIRPORT AMENDMENT:

*TCC stands by our request to **for the Airport Communication Plan to include notification to the three surrounding Community Councils of tenant leases and permits via email** (after the applications are deemed approvable by the Airport).*

*It is our experience that since the Airport Communications Plan was put in place, these applications **have not been sent out via GovDelivery** to give Councils or the public notification of development proposals. Sending out specific notices to the surrounding community councils will ensure adequate notification has been communicated by the Airport to those areas potentially impacted by proposed development.*

*TCC also stands by our request for the **Airport to notice community council of approved Airport land lease and permit applications — especially if councils have submitted comments on the applications** — so that councils are informed of the Airport's decision on the applications.*

TCC COMMENT ON DRAFT UPDATE:

Amend the fourth graph, last sentence with the following: "The Airport will also require applicants with Airport-approved land leases to inform the three Airport adjacent Community Councils of their anticipated development, before final approval is given to the applicant, to ensure proper notification has taken place."

AIRPORT'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

"For tenant development that the Airport feels may have significant impact on the surrounding community, the Airport will require the developer through the building permit application process, to make an effort to brief the relevant Community Council(s) if the Council(s) are actively meeting regarding the tenant's anticipated development to ensure proper notification has taken place."

TCC BOARD RESPONSE TO AIRPORT AMENDMENT:

TCC recommends the following amendments to proposed Airport language:

"For tenant development that may have significant impacts on the surrounding community, the Airport will require the developer through the building permit application process, to brief the relevant Community Council(s) regarding the tenant's anticipated development to ensure proper notification has taken place. This briefing shall occur within a reasonable amount of time before the application comment deadline, to ensure the Council(s) have adequate time to provide input on the proposal."

TCC's soon-to-be created 'Land Use' Standing Committee will be authorized to review and provide recommendations — this would include meeting with the applicant to receive a briefing of the project proposal. The Board is authorized per TCC Bylaws to provide input on behalf of the Council on time-sensitive matters, between TCC general meetings.

TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS
2013-2015 TOP THREE PROJECT RANKINGS IN EACH CATEGORY

Municipality of Anchorage Anchorage Parks & Recreation:

2015

1. Point Woronzof Park Overlook
2. Earthquake Park
3. Lyn Ary Park

2014

1. Point Woronzof Overlook
2. Earthquake Park
3. Lyn Ary Park

2013

1. Balto Seppala & Lloyd Steele Parks
2. Point Woronzof Park Overlook
3. Earthquake Park

Municipality of Anchorage Project Management & Engineering:

2015

1. Turnagain Blvd. Upgrade — 35th Ave. to Spenard Rd.
2. Turnagain St. Upgrade — W. Northern Lights Blvd. to 35 Ave.
3. W. Northern Lights Blvd. at Alaska Railroad Overpass Drainage Improvements

2014

1. Turnagain Blvd. Upgrade — 35th Ave. to Spenard Rd.
2. Turnagain St. Upgrade — W. Northern Lights Blvd. to 35 Ave.
3. W. Northern Lights Blvd. at Alaska Railroad Overpass Drainage Improvements

2013

1. W. Northern Lights Blvd. at Alaska Railroad Overpass Drainage Improvements
2. Turnagain Blvd. Upgrade — 35th Ave. to Spenard Rd.
3. Turnagain St. Upgrade — W. Northern Lights Blvd. to 35th Ave.

State of Alaska:

2015

1. W. Northern Lights Blvd. & Arlington Dr. Intersection Improvements
2. W. Northern Lights Blvd./Benson Blvd. Rut Repair — Minnesota Dr. to Wisconsin St.

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Turnagain St./Turnagain Blvd. Upgrade (W. Northern Lights Blvd. to Spenard Rd.) RECOMMENDATIONS approved at Turnagain Community Council meeting February 4, 2016

- **At this point, TCC is focusing comments on Turnagain Blvd.**

- Rationale:**

- Turnagain Blvd. — Bond funding originally scheduled for construction 2016 was pulled at last minute. But MOA Project Manager Steve Gillette said definitely it will be on 2017 bond.
 - Turnagain St. — Steve confirmed that there will not be any construction funding coming forward for this section of the road for awhile, so our committee has plenty of time to engage local residents (like Vicki Russell) and to come up with input.
 - The planners have come up some design alternatives for Turnagain St., which were not in play in 2011 when concept designs were presented and commented on by TCC. Some include full property takes. *The consultants were the first to admit that there will need to be a lot more community discussion before moving forward — and committee fully concurs.*

Turnagain Community Council Project Recommendations on Draft Design Elements:

- **Turnagain St:**

- At this point, only recommendation would be to request city/consultants provide more opportunities for TCC/neighbor/property owners input on new alternatives at a future time.

- **Turnagain Blvd:**

- **Overall TCC comments:**

- This is TCC's #1 Capital Improvement Project, TCC expresses support for the overall design components that will improve drainage; provide safer travel for pedestrians/bikers, etc. on both sides of road; provides visual aesthetics and safety spacing and buffers with landscaping on both sides of road — will enhance and compliment adjacent Kiwanis Fish Creek Park on east side of road; and provides additional parking closer to some of the park amenities (picnic shelter).

- **Street ID pedestal at Spenard Rd. and Turnagain Blvd. (similar to one at Spenard Rd. and McCrae Rd.)**

- TCC supports the concept of installing a street ID pedestal similar in design to the ones already installed at Spenard Rd. and McCrae Rd. to tie into the look along Spenard Rd. — looks good at night, but a little washed out and hard to read in day. TCC suggests making the panels behind the lettering slightly darker to increase daytime visibility.

- **Trail connection between road multi-use trail and Fish Creek Trail**

- TCC needs assurance that there is coordination during design/construction of the road improvements with the Fish Creek Trail Rehabilitation Project currently in the design phase and proposed for 2017. This is important since part of the Fish Creek trail runs through the park and is a significant non-motorized connector for Turnagain and Spenard residents. TCC would also like clarification on the location of the trail from Spenard Rd. and the Kiwanis Fish Creek park along Turnagain Blvd.

- **Multi-use trail section that runs through Kiwanis Fish Creek Park on east side of road**

- Instead of running part of the multiuse trail straight and parallel with the road, slightly curve it inward into the park (similar to what exists now). This will allow room for pockets where trees can be planted in a couple of groupings, rather than just in a straight row between the 5' sidewalk and the trail on east side of road. In these groups, mix evergreens and deciduous trees.

- **Tree Landscaping Species on east side of road**

- TCC requests that no moose fencing be installed around the tree landscaping on the east side of the road, as it would have to be in place for several years and would detract from the aesthetics of the area. While we know there are no guarantees, we request that the tree species planted are ones that moose tend not to bother (Amur Chokecherry/Canada Red Cherry), rather than birch trees.

- **Parallel Parking on east side of road along park**

- This was an idea that TCC supported in 2011 — provides more parking for the northern section of Kiwanis Fish Creek Park, including closer vehicle access to the picnic shelter area and tennis courts. The only parking currently available is the lot on southern boundary of park.

- **Pathway between parallel parking to park picnic shelter**

- TCC requests that a pathway be included in the project scope, to connect the parallel parking along the road to the park picnic shelter.

- **Landscaping on west side of road in pockets of ground next to curb, between sidewalk and road**

- If the pockets of ground on the west side of the road are planted with grass, these areas tend to turn into weeds patches and look unkempt, due to lack of proper maintenance. TCC recommends appropriate-sized shrubs (specifically, Golden Flame Spirea) where possible, so mowing will not be needed. They will also serve to provide more of a visual buffer between pedestrians using the adjacent sidewalk and the road. Where pocket size may not be able to accommodate shrubs, we request imprinted concrete be installed.

- **Trail deadend on north part of road**

- Draft plan shows multi-use trail east of road deadending near tennis court area because there's not enough space to continue the trail up to 35th Ave. & McRae Rd. intersection. TCC encourages the planners to continue to look for ways to extend the trail up to intersection, so that it can tie into the trail/sidewalk to the north.

- **Traffic Calming**

- There are speed humps currently placed in Turnagain Blvd. Since those will be removed as part of construction, TCC asked at the open house if they will be replaced — the consultant's answer was "No." TCC requests consideration of installing other traffic calming features for this long, straight stretch of road through a primarily residential area, including the placement of a raised intersection at Wiley Post and Turnagain Blvd. and bump out curbs at appropriate locations. TCC also requests that the city/project consultants do outreach to local residents on Turnagain Blvd. side streets, to see what they may want/not want in terms of traffic calming features before completing the design.

TCC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS —

ANCHORAGE LAND USE PLAN MAP COMMUNITY DISCUSSION DRAFT MAP (MAP) & ACCOMPANYING PLAN NARRATIVE (PLAN):

Timeline

- May 5th — TCC Approval of Committee Recommendations
- May 31st — Committee Letter for Board approval, with submittal by May 31 comment deadline
- June 2nd — TCC Affirmation of letter at TCC June 2nd meeting

LUPM Map — Turnagain Neighborhood Designations & Density:

- **Support the Draft LUPM Map RE: MOSTLY RESIDENTIAL LAND USE DESIGNATIONS AND RETENTION OF EXISTING DENSITY IN TURNAGAIN**

Turnagain is a primarily residential neighborhood, with limited commercial areas (excluding Airport land within the TCC boundaries).

The committee supports protection of our established neighborhood and its mainly residential designation in the LUPM Map, as well as the LUPM Map's proposed density in the Turnagain neighborhood, which reflects existing zoning density, and allows for infill of similar type housing (single family, duplex, multi-family in some areas).

LUPM Map & Plan — Turnagain Traditional Neighborhood Design Proposal:

- **Support the Draft LUPM Map & Plan RE: A SIGNIFICANT AREA OF SOUTH TURNAGAIN DESIGNATED FOR A 'TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DESIGN' OVERLAY**

A significant portion of the Turnagain residential neighborhood south of W. Northern Lights Blvd. is designated for possible implementation of "Traditional Neighborhood Design."

A Traditional Neighborhood Design would facilitate compact design and allow for and encourage sidewalks, different parking and driveway standards.

While the TCC Committee supports the concept of this design designation, council should request ability to work with the Municipality on what design guidelines would be put in place, and details of implementation. Would like to see the concept aligned with Title 21 and acceptable to private developers. May need to split up the area into smaller areas, since the existing area covers multiple neighborhoods (including neighborhoods in Spenard, South Addition, Fairview and Downtown).

LUPM Map & Plan — Greenway Supported Development

- **Support the Draft LUPM MAP CONCEPT RE: HIGH-DENSITY GREENWAY-ORIENTED INFILL OR REDEVELOPMENT ALONG FISH CREEK**

Draft Map shows Greenway Supported Development along the Fish Creek corridor starting at Minnesota Dr.; TCC Committee recommends extension of the Greenway Supported Corridor be extended west past Minnesota, including possible redevelopment of housing in the neighborhood between Spenard and Tudor and connect with the Fish Creek Trail. It is difficult and unsafe to travel

on bike east from Turnagain and Spenard across Minnesota, and even less safe to travel to Midtown. However, would need to address concerns below re: type of stream corridor.

Oppose the Draft LUPM PLAN DESCRIPTION RE: GREENWAY SUPPORTED DEVELOPMENT ANCHORAGE CREEKS

While uncovering or revitalizing existing creeks sections or natural functions as part of this redevelopment concept would be a positive component of Greenway Supported Development, the TCC Committee has serious concerns that would need to be addressed before endorsement of this concept:

- Title 21 would need to be rewritten, to enlarge the minimum creek setback width, before any development under this proposal occurs, to ensure natural greenbelt areas are preserved.
- Development close to creeks could impact water quality and wildlife use and habitat.
- Concerned about downstream impacts to Fish Creek/Turnagain neighborhood from development along the creek upstream.
- Do not support Plan image of creek channelization with little or no greenbelt (page 35); do not support Plan language description RE: "a newly constructed stream channel threaded between existing building or future buildings, streets, or parking lots." (page 36)
- TCC Committee recommends the Greenway Supported Development incorporate scientifically-supported practices for riparian management.
- See Action VIII-7 (pg 55): mitigate impacts to wildlife
- See Action IX-2 and IX-3 (pg 55): funding restoration or acquisition of creek corridors; amend stream protection setbacks

LUPM Map & Plan — Public Facility/Natural Area Designation for Point Woronzof Park

- **Oppose Draft LUPM MAP & PLAN DESCRIPTION OF POINT WORONZOF PARK AS "PUBLIC FACILITY/NATURAL AREA"**

Point Woronzof Park, Municipal dedicated parkland since 1994, is west of the Airport where a section of the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail and Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge is located. It is also depicted as "Important Wildlife Habitat" in the Anchorage 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

TCC opposed the "Major Transportation Overlay" on this park during the development of the West Anchorage District Plan; TCC Committee affirms this position with our opposition to Point Woronzof Park designated as "Public Facility/Natural Area" on the Draft Map. Point Woronzof Park should be designated "Park or Natural Area" in the Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan Map, which would override the WADP by giving the park its proper designation.

The Draft Plan provides language in numerous locations that justifies this position, including the language that defines "Park or Natural Area": The Park or Natural Area designation provides for active and passive outdoor recreation needs, conservation of natural areas and greenbelts, and trail connections.

Conversely, the Draft Plan provides only vague language in a failed attempt to justify the "Public Facilities/Natural Area" designation for Point Woronzof Park: "This designation applies to several municipal parcels identified as part of a conceptual, long-term resolution of International Airport area land use conflicts." The Airport has not demonstrated the need for a fourth runway or other

development in this area — and the only conflicts that would exist, is if the Airport is allowed to acquire the park parcel without showing any actual need for it.

The LUPM can be amended in the future if the Airport ever legitimately demonstrates a need to acquire Point Woronzof Park; in the meantime, its designation should reflect community support for this land to remain dedicated parkland.

Action X-6 (pg 55): “resolve land use, ownership, and open space conflicts around TSAIA through a land exchange”

LUPM Map — Public Facility/Natural Area Designation for ‘Parcel 6’-Municipally-Owned Land Adjacent to the Coastal Trail Between the AWWU Sewage Treatment Plant and the Airport

- **Oppose Draft LUPM MAP RE: DESCRIPTION OF MUNICIPALLY-OWNED COASTAL TRAIL GREENBELT BETWEEN AWWU SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND THE AIRPORT AS “PUBLIC FACILITY/NATURAL AREA”**

A narrow but beautiful area of land directly east of the Coastal Trail serves as an essential greenbelt buffer between the trail and the north/south runway on Airport property. (This land is known as Parcel 6, for reference.)

The Airport has not demonstrated any need for this Municipal land, and due to it’s high value as trail greenbelt, TCC recommends that it be designated “Park or Natural Area” in the Land Use Plan Map.

LUPM Map — Public Facility/Natural Area Designation for Municipally-Owned Land West of Airport

- **Oppose Draft LUPM MAP & PLAN DESCRIPTION OF MUNICIPALLY-OWNED LAND WEST OF AIRPORT AS “PUBLIC FACILITY/NATURAL AREA”**

A portion of Municipal land currently managed by the Heritage Land Bank is shown on the Draft Map as “Public Facility/Natural Open Space.” It has long been considered by the public as an essential greenbelt buffer to the Coastal Trail, as it is directly adjacent to Airport land that has been cleared of all vegetation. A portion of the Sisson Loop Trail is located on this land. It is also depicted as “Important Wildlife Habitat” in the Anchorage 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

The Airport publically stated during the development of the West Anchorage District Plan that this land is of low value to them; and they do not show any proposed development for this Municipal land in their 20-year Master Plan (completed Dec. 2014).

For many years, TCC has advocated for the transfer of this land to the Parks and Recreation Dept. for parkland dedication; TCC Committee recommends this land be designated as “Park or Natural Area” in the Land Use Plan, which would reflect the highest and best use of this land — and would provide the Municipality with direction to transfer this land to the Parks & Recreation Dept.

LUPM Map & Plan — Public Facility/Natural Area Designation for Portion of Turnagain Bog on Airport Land Adjacent to Turnagain Neighborhood

- **Oppose Draft LUPM MAP RE: SIZE OF TURNAGAIN BOG AREA DESGNATED AS “PUBLIC FACILITY/NATURA AREA**

The Draft Map depicts a narrow strip of Turnagain Bog on Airport property directly adjacent to the Turnagain neighborhood as “Public Facility/Natural Area.” The Draft Map should identify a much larger area of Turnagain Bog for “Public Facility/Natural Area” designation, accurately reflecting the

portion of Turnagain identified in AO 2001-151 (S-2) for a joint Municipal-Airport Master Plan (which has never been done).

Through this ordinance, the Assembly approved Airport use of Municipally-owned areas of Klatt Bog in south Anchorage to mitigate Airport-related development in other areas of Turnagain Bog wetlands.

This area of Turnagain Bog serves as an essential buffer between Airport development/high-impact operations and the Turnagain residential area to the east. These wetlands are designated "Class A" wetlands in Anchorage Wetlands Management Plan, which reflects their high value to the community, including water quality/pollutant filtration, hydrology regulation for waterways and residential development in Turnagain, wildlife habitat, noise buffering and aesthetics.

Anchorage Airport Update
May 2016

1. Lake Hood Seaplane Base Master Plan Update:

- a. Final Public Open House held April 28th to provide the public with the opportunity to review and comment on the draft plan for future development. Meeting materials and presentation will be posted on the project website by May 5th.
- b. Visit www.lhdmasterplan.com for information and to send comments, questions and request to receive notifications/updates.

2. Lake Hood Seaplane Base:

- a. The State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) has issued a pesticide permit to the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for the application of aquatic pesticides to control nuisance aquatic vegetation in Lakes Hood and Spenard. The permit is effective from May 2016 through December 2020.

3. Concessions:

- a. Construction of Sushi on the Fly and Kiosk bar in Concourse C is underway and will open end of June.
- b. Chili's restaurant is being rebranded to Pork and Pickle; a barbeque themed restaurant that will offer smoked meats along with standard menu items. Construction is underway and will open in mid-May.
- c. Construction of a lounge in the Concourse C mezzanine area to complement the native art displays is underway and will open in June.
- d. Construction of an Alaska Outfitters store by Concourse B bag claim 5 will begin this May.
- e. InMotion is updating with a new look. Construction expected to be complete by June.
- f. Silver Gulch is in the process of expanding their seating area to accommodate more passengers. Construction is underway and expected to be completed by the first week in May.

4. Airport Summer Construction: 2016 Construction Projects Map and associated descriptions are online at www.anchorageairport.com.

5. Runway 7L/25R Closure: The northerly of the two east-west runways will be closed from May 4 through May 23 for improvement work.

6. Runway 15/33 Closure: The North/South runway will be closed for preventative maintenance with an estimated timeframe from June 1 through June 15, from approximately 8:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday through Saturday. This will likely result in more aircraft departures to the East over mid-town Anchorage and more noise impact to the community during those times.

7. Great Alaska Aviation Gathering: April 30th and May 1st at the FedEx Hangar on Postmark Drive.
www.greatalaskaaviationgathering.org/

8. Sign up for GovDelivery: at www.anchorageairport.com to receive emails on all sorts of DOT related things.

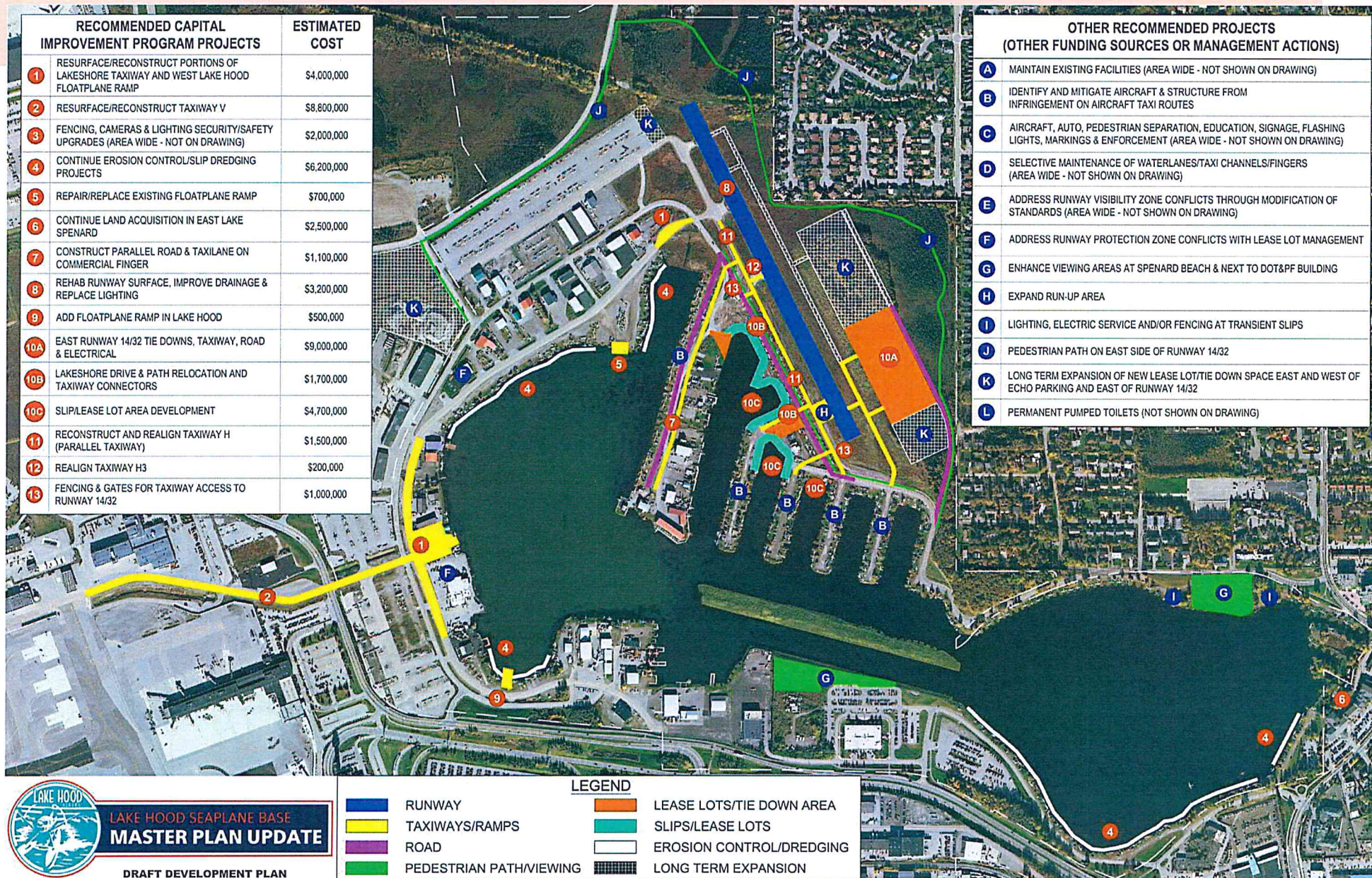
9. Visit us on Facebook and Twitter.



PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE #3

Thursday • April 28, 2016 • 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

The Lakefront Anchorage (Formerly The Millennium)



Please share your comments:

1) Comments on the Draft Development Plan?

2) Comments on the Capital Improvements Phasing Plan?

3) Have we missed anything important?

Comments can be mailed to: DOWL - Attn: Charles Guinchard • 4041 B Street • Anchorage, Alaska 99503
Or emailed to lhdmasterplan@dowl.com

Name (Optional): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

City, State, Zip: _____



Please add me to the project email list.



SIGNIFICANT 2016 ANC CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Complete Taxiway Y and K Safety Area Widening

Project Description

Widen the safety and object free areas of Taxiways Y and K to Aircraft Design Group (ADG) VI Standards. The existing taxiway surface area already meets ADG VI standards. Work completed in 2015 is the section of Taxiway Y from Taxiway U to just north of Taxiway S.

Benefits

By increasing the safety area the airport will meet or exceed current FAA taxiway design standards. The airport will be able to continue to serve ADG VI aircraft such as the Boeing 747-8.

Complete Runway 7L/25R Reconstruction, Phase II

Project Description

Reconstruct the eastern portion of airfield pavement on Runway 7L/25R. The reconstruction consists of excavating and replacing with a structural section thickness (pavement, base course, and sub base) that is designed for Design Group VI aircraft, as well as disposing of any contaminated soils, repaving, lighting, striping, signage, and storm drainage. The majority of this project was completed in 2015. Work remaining is the intersection with Taxiway Y, some edges lights, and Taxiway G centerline lights.

Benefits

Runway 7L/25R is showing signs of advanced structural distress. There is alligator cracking occurring along sections of the runway. Reconstruction of the runway structural section will allow for the newer Group VI aircraft to utilize the runway. LED runway lights will reduce operational and maintenance costs.



Complete Lake Hood A-B Parking Rehabilitation

Project Description

Reconstruct the Lake Hood A-B General Aviation (GA) parking areas. Project includes structural section replacement (pavement, base course and sub base), improved surface drainage, storm drain improvements, ditch re-grading, guardrail replacement, and individual electrical outlet installation. Project also includes adjustment of the tie-down orientation for improved snow removal operations. This project was mostly completed in 2015. Work remaining is pavement markings and sealing of asphalt pavement joints in the Alpha parking area.

Benefits

Bring the pavement condition into compliance with FAA standards and allow for the continued use of these GA apron's.

Taxiway R Improvements & Taxiway T Improvements,

Project Description

Rehabilitate and reconstruct the pavement on Taxiway R from approximately Taxiway K to north of Taxiway P, and reconstruct the pavement on Taxiway T east of Taxiway K, including the intersection with the UPS and FedEx aprons. The reconstruction consists of excavating the existing structural section and replacing with a structural section that is designed for Design Group VI aircraft/Taxiway Design Group VII.

Benefits

Bring the pavement condition into compliance with FAA standards and allow for the continued use of these Taxiways.



ANC Paving & Drainage Improvements 2016

Project Description

Rehabilitate South Airpark Place and install a culvert across Old International Airport Road. Rehabilitation efforts include grinding and mixing the existing asphalt with the existing aggregate as a low cost roadway improvement prior to final paving. Installing the culvert will help relieve standing water within the roadside ditch along Old International Airport Road

Benefits

Improve asphalt condition and road drivability/safety. The Old International culvert will remove an existing drainage problem.

ANC Old International Gateway Improvements

Project Description

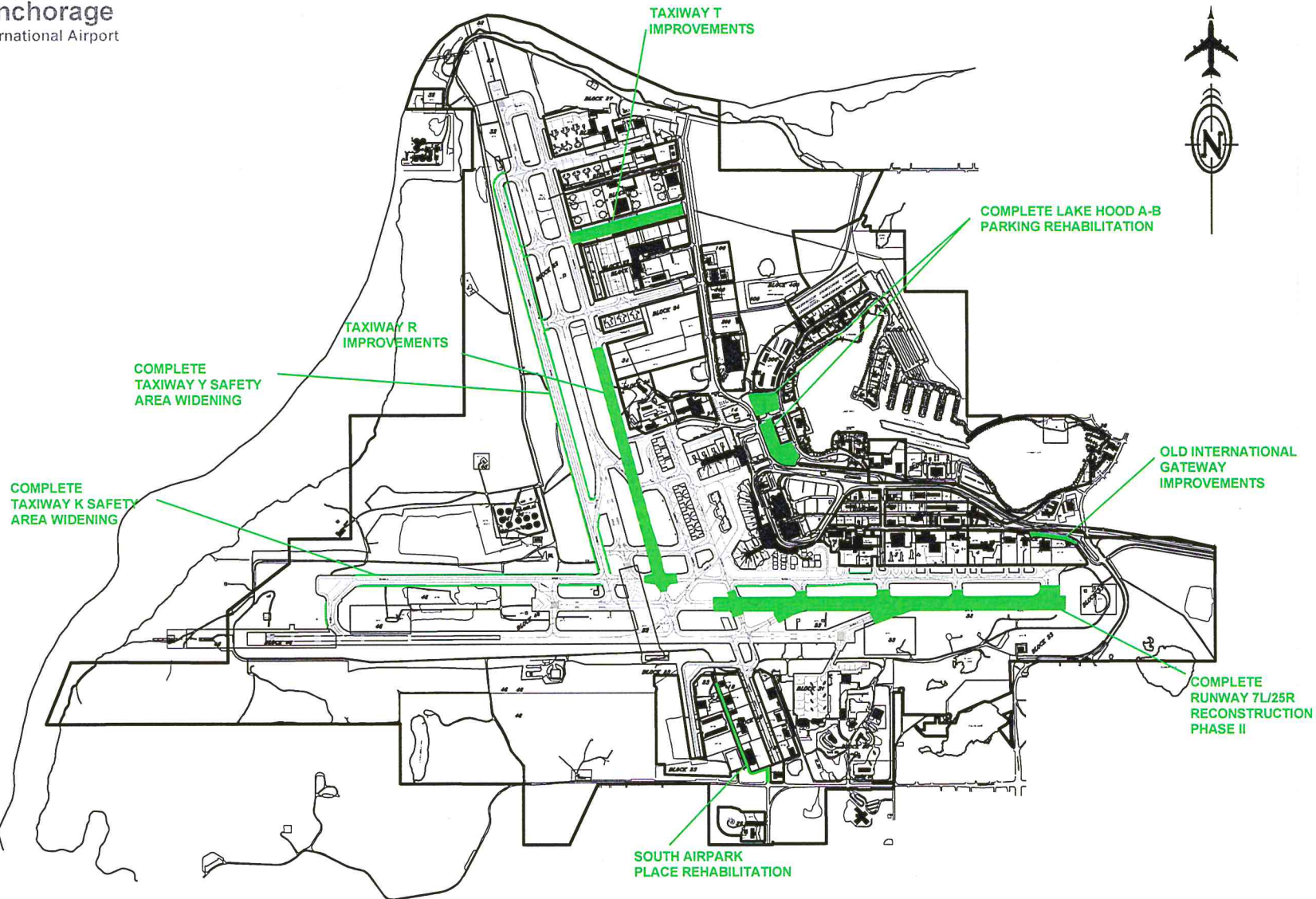
Install landscaping, including trees and shrubs, at various locations between West International Airport Road and Old International Airport Road (OIAR) and at the intersection of Jewel Lake Road and West International Airport Road. Project also includes installing artwork panel boards and landscaping along the south side of OIAR near Jewel Lake Road.

Benefits

Beautify the entrance into TSAIA and screen unsightly utilities. The panel boards along OIAR will be artwork prepared by Anchorage students and replaced annually, helping connect the community to the airport.



Ted Stevens
Anchorage
International Airport



2016 PROPOSED AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS*

*DRAFT CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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ANCHORAGE COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

11AM - 3PM MAY 7, 2016

Anchorage Historic Depot • 411 W. 1st Ave

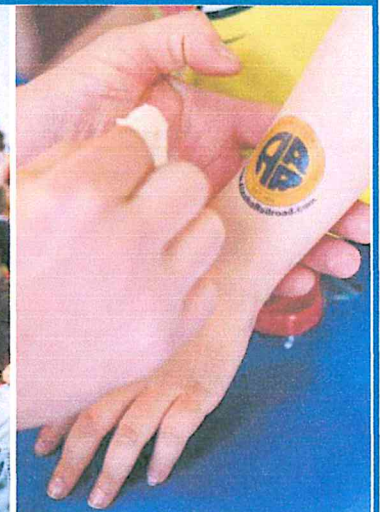
YOUR TICKET TO RIDE

EXPLORE A TRAIN

GRAB A BALLOON

MEET RAILROADERS

GET COOL STUFF



Free 20-30 minute train rides • Grab a balloon, get a tattoo
Climb aboard and explore a locomotive and passenger train cars
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**Municipality of Anchorage Solid Waste
Services Free Dump Days
Saturday April 30 and Saturday May 7
from 8am to 5pm
Anchorage Regional Landfill
Central Transfer Station will be closed on
April 30 and May 7**

**Contact Lisa Noland, Director of
Marketing and Business Development.
907-677-7112**





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IMPORTANT

The Central Transfer Station will be closed to **ALL USERS** Saturday April 30 and May 7.

All users will be required to use the Anchorage Regional Landfill at 15500 E Eagle River Loop Road on these two Saturdays.



(A Sample Resolution Form)

A Resolution Passed by the _____
Community Council Regarding Local Support of an Amendment to the U.S.
Constitution on Corporate Personhood and Free Speech

Be it resolved, the People of the _____ Community Council call for amending the
United States Constitution to establish that:

1. Only human beings are entitled to constitutional rights, and
2. Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not
equivalent to limiting political speech.

Copies of this resolution will be shared with the Anchorage Assembly, and the delegations to
the Alaska State Legislature and the U.S. Congress.

Passed this _____ day of _____ 201__ by a vote of _____ as attested by the following:

President: _____

Date: _____