

TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2016-07

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SYDNEY'S SHORTCUT

WHEREAS, the Turnagain Community Council (TCC) is an all-volunteer, self-governing neighborhood organization recognized in the Municipality of Anchorage charter; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of community councils is to provide a direct and continuing means of citizen participation in government and local affairs; and

WHEREAS, local community members have contacted TCC regarding the development of property at 2803 Marston Drive where the landowners have blocked access and landscaped over a frequently used trail called Sydney's Shortcut; and

WHEREAS, Sydney's Shortcut was deeded in 1955 to the Turnagain Heights Subdivision by the subdivision developers, the Marston and Morris families, as a 20' platted right of way created to "...give access to and from the beach"; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage has deemed the easement to be valid; and

WHEREAS, the easement is shown on the as-built survey submitted by the landowners to the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the landowners were notified of the recorded easement when they acquired the property in 2013; and

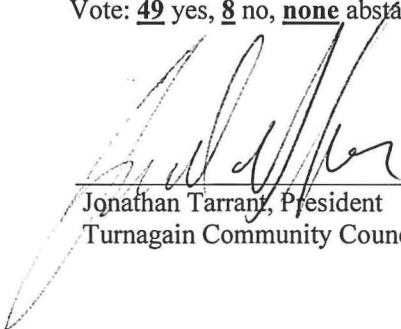
WHEREAS, more than 100 neighbors have signed the petition demanding protection of public access from Marston Drive to the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that TCC supports the return of Sydney's Shortcut to the Turnagain neighborhood as was intended by the easement; and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that TCC recommends to the Municipality of Anchorage that action be taken to persuade or compel the landowners to honor the easement.

RESOLUTION PASSED by the Turnagain Community Council on this 17th day of October, 2016.

Vote: **49** yes, **8** no, **none** abstain.



Jonathan Tarrant, President
Turnagain Community Council

11/03/16

Date