

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

CHUGIAK-EAGLE RIVER ADVISORY BOARD RESOLUTION 2016-01

February 20, 2016

MEETING Re: marijuana ordinance, HLB presentation, storage on residential lots, use of commercial parking lots

WHEREAS, the Chugiak Eagle River Advisory Board is established in Title 21 by Section 21.10.030.B and is constituted in order to review and make recommendations on actions regarding potential changes in land use law that impact multiple Community Council areas in the Chugiak Eagle River area; and

WHEREAS, the Board, with local representation present from Eklutna Village, South Fork, Eagle River Valley, Chugiak, Eklutna Valley and Birchwood Community Councils, met on February 20, 2016 to hear local testimony and to discuss the above local issues; and

WHEREAS, the Board after discussion and testimony requested:

1. The Marijuana ordinance should be amended so that setback distances between marijuana establishments and protected uses are measured lot line to lot line in the Chugiak-Eagle River area. Vote was 5 to 1 in support.
(A motion to increase the setback distance to 2,000 feet failed, 3 to 3)
2. A proposed ordinance “regarding a reduction to the amount of outdoor storage allowed in residential front yards and preventing storage immediately adjacent to side and rear property lines” should not apply to the Chugiak-Eagle River area. [P&Z case 2016-0033] Vote was 6 to 0 in support. Concerns expressed were potential impossibility for those with small lots to comply, questions on why back or rear side yard storage was even a problem. Reaction expressed was this was not necessary and an infringement on personal property rights.
3. A proposed ordinance prohibiting overnight parking of campers in commercial parking lots and establishing a new requirement for camper lots was opposed. Unanimous reaction was this type of decision should be left to the owners and managers of the parking lots. Vote was 6 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

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