

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FINAL DRAFT OF THE SOUTH ADDITION
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN (Resolution 23-)**

WHEREAS, the 2040 Land Use Plan was adopted on September 26, 2017, to guide Anchorage's growth with updated land use designations that direct the use, intensity and form of development across the Anchorage Bowl;

WHEREAS, the South Addition Community Council has actively participated in the public involvement processes associated with the 2040 Land Use Plan, contributed to the development of several concepts, including the shared infill design principles that are captured in the 2040 Land Use Plan, and actively engaged with the Municipal Planning Department to ensure that Anchorage's growth strategy is achieved by implementing Traditional Neighborhood Design as a growth supporting feature to enhance existing urban patterns of development;

WHEREAS, the 2040 Land Use Plan recognizes that the characteristics associated with neighborhoods such as South Addition, Fairview and Mountain View are desirable and expected to be sought-after for infill development and, therefore best recognized in neighborhood plans;

WHEREAS, community members in Government Hill, Fairview and Mountain View have all initiated, managed and developed specific neighborhood plans through multi-year community-wide efforts that resulted in the adoption of their plans by the Municipal Assembly using the processes prescribed in the municipal land use code;

WHEREAS, South Addition community members initiated a public process within the community council area in the fall of 2016 with the goal of creating a South Addition Neighborhood Plan in the context of the developing 2040 Land Use Plan as it was nearing its conclusion;

WHEREAS, South Addition community members conducted public workshops, organized issue focus groups, created a neighborhood plan steering committee and participated in neighborhood outreach to garner broad interest and gather ideas and feedback to provide the basis for the concepts captured in the first drafts of the initial chapters of the Neighborhood Plan;

WHEREAS, a first draft of the full Neighborhood Plan was published in 2020 using a \$10,000 funding allocation secured by Assembly representative Constant;

WHEREAS, a public comment period with broad participation by community members and a thorough review by the municipal planning department was completed following the release of the first draft plan, although at a significantly slowed pace due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the South Addition Community Council created a Neighborhood Plan Committee in 2021 with the goal of planning and managing the completion of the plan;

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Plan Committee engaged in a year-long process with local planning consultants, Agnew Beck Consulting, who brought their expertise to organize, synthesize and process the neighborhood plan information developed to date in line with the standards for land use plans in the municipal land use code under contract with the Municipal Planning Department and under the management of our Long Term Planning Division partners at MOA using \$30,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds secured by Assembly representatives Volland and Constant;

WHEREAS, the South Addition Community Council Neighborhood Plan Committee held a workshop on November 16th, 2023, with broad community participation to discuss the plan elements and to gather feedback;

WHEREAS, the work has been completed for the final draft of the neighborhood plan accompanied by a report summarizing the feedback from the workshop;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Planning Department Long Range Planning Division is prepared and committed to managing the Neighborhood Plan public review and approval processes according to the standards of municipal code 21.03130.E, F and G starting in January 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South Addition Community Council acknowledges the tireless efforts of all our engaged, selfless, and caring neighbors who have participated in the neighborhood plan process throughout the past six years by adopting the Final Draft of the South Addition Neighborhood Plan and recommends its adoption by the Anchorage Assembly at the conclusion of the required public process as referenced above.

PASSED AND APPROVED this __ day of _____, 2024.

Yays: _____ Nays: _____ Abstentions: _____

John Thurber, President

Tamas Deak, Neighborhood Plan Committee Chair

Mackenzie Pope, Secretary