
TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

c/o Federation of Community Councils
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This position statement was approved by Turnagain Community Council at its meeting on December 1, 2022, by a vote of 11 in favor, and 0 opposed.

TO: Anchorage Assembly
FROM: Turnagain Community Council
DATE: December 5, 2022
RE: **AO 2022-109, an ordinance of the Anchorage Assembly amending Anchorage Municipal Code Section 9.48.130 to increase the fine for muffler and exhaust system violations**

Sent via Email

Dear Assembly Members,

Turnagain Community Council (TCC) is writing you to express support for AO 2022-109, an ordinance to amend Municipal Code to increase the fine for muffler and exhaust system violations.

The Turnagain neighborhood faces a serious hazard to public health and welfare and the quality of life due to illegal, loud vehicle noise. Therefore, TCC supports code changes to establish a sound level standard measured at the tailpipe that is practical for the Anchorage Police Department (APD) to enforce. Increasing the fine for violations will encourage compliance since it is a correctable citation. We support the increased fine for violations of excessive traffic noise that are not resolved by fixing faulty equipment.

The fine increase is compelling and reasonable; therefore, TCC urges the Anchorage Assembly to pass AO 2022-109, increasing the fine to \$300 per violation, as the current \$100 fine proves insufficient to deter illegal vehicle noise.

Sincerely,



Anna B. Brawley
Turnagain Community Council President

Cc:

Mayor David Bronson
Turnagain Community Council Vice President Cathy L. Gleason
Federation of Community Councils
