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Turnagain Community Council

SUBJECT: Project No. 23-07 95% Design Review

Forest Park Drive Surface Rehabilitation, Hillcrest Drive to Northern Lights Blvd.

Thank you for the opportunity for Turnagain Community Council (TCC) to provide comments on Project No. 23-07, the Surface Rehabilitation of Forest Park Drive, tentatively scheduled for construction in 2025. This project, which is on TCC's Safe Routes to Schools project list, has been of the highest priority on the TCC's Capital Improvement Project list and remains broadly supported by the Turnagain community. We have only a few comments to offer based upon our review of the design document.

- **Signing Plan.** We note two items seem to have been omitted. Please include in the design plan replacement of the four (4) No Parking signs currently located between Arlington Dr. and West Northern Lights (WNL). Also, need to include replacement of the existing No Thru Trucks AMC 9.46.410 signage in this area, located near the WNL end of Forest Park Dr.
- Striping Plan. In addition to the striping for the new 10' traffic lanes, please add striping to note the paved shoulders on both sides of the Forest Park Dr. An important piece of this project is to improve the pedestrian space, which will now be between 3-4 feet due to the narrower traffic lanes. It is hoped the shoulder striping could be extra wide and, if possible, the pavement could be marked with the bicycle symbol to help preclude traffic/parking use of this space.

TCC is grateful to the Municipality for their attention to this project, and particularly in making the existing sidewalk at the intersection of Northern Lights and Forest Park Drive compliant with ADA standards. We very much hope this project will be included in the Municipality of Anchorage 2025 Work Program. Please contact me any time with any questions on the above at 907-248-0442.

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