

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

Subject: Letter of Support for Spenard Priorities in the 2025 Capital Improvement Projects Budget



To Anchorage Assembly Members:

We, the members of the Spenard Community Council, are writing to express our thanks to Mayor LaFrance's administration and to communicate our strong support for the inclusion of the following capital projects in 2025 Proposed Capital Improvement Budget and 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program:

- **Fish Creek Trail to the Ocean**
- **AMATS: Chugach Way Upgrade - Spenard Rd to Arctic Blvd**
- **AMATS: 32nd Ave Reconstruction - Lois Dr to Minnesota Dr**
- **Senate District G Residential Pavement Rehabilitation**
- **Cope Street Park Improvements**
- **Spenard Recreation Center Improvements**
- **AMATS: Spenard Rd Rehabilitation - Benson Blvd to Minnesota Dr**
- **AMATS: Spenard Rd Rehabilitation - Minnesota Dr to Northwood Dr**
- **Northwood Park Improvements**
- **Lois Dr Upgrade - Benson Blvd to 32nd Ave**
- **Wilson Street Park Improvements**
- **Fish Creek Improvements Phase V**
- **AMATS: Fireweed Ln Reconstruction - Spenard Rd to New Seward Hwy**
- **Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements Annual Program**

These projects are vital to the future of Spenard and will significantly enhance the quality of life for our residents. By investing in these projects, we can:

- **Improve public safety:** These projects improve the ability of all users to traverse safely in our neighborhood regardless of transportation method.
- **Enhance the appearance of the neighborhood:** Residents and visitors are more likely to visit and enjoy time in parks that have been upgraded and refreshed to include safety improvements, clean up of vandalized structures, and removal of hazards such as dead trees.
- **Increased quality of life:** Rehabilitated roads, sidewalks, and trails will ease travel to work, school, or for recreation, while improved recreation facilities will offer newer amenities for residents and visitors to enjoy.

We ask the Anchorage Assembly to include these projects and allocate the necessary funding in the final budget. By doing so, we can create a more vibrant, sustainable, and equitable Spenard for generations to come.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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President, Spenard Community Council

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Date

Approved with a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ approved, \_\_\_\_\_ opposed