Resolution No. 2025-XX

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A Resolution of the Downtown Community Council Supporting an Amendment to Anchorage Municipal Code to Prohibit Large Commercial Trucks on 3rd Avenue West of C Street

WHEREAS, the Downtown Community Council is dedicated to improving safety, livability, and economic vibrancy within the Downtown Anchorage area;

WHEREAS, large commercial trucks traveling along 3rd Avenue west of C Street contribute to increased traffic congestion, noise pollution, road wear, and potential safety hazards for pedestrians, cyclists, and other motorists;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Anchorage adopted Our Downtown Plan includes provisions to eliminate truck traffic on 3rd Avenue, reinforcing the community intent to enhance downtown walkability, safety, and business environment;

WHEREAS, Anchorage Municipal Code (AMC) 9.46.370 through 9.46.410 currently designates 3rd Avenue as a truck route, despite the area growing mixed-use development and the presence of alternative truck routes, including 5th Avenue, that provide comparable access to commercial destinations;

WHEREAS, modifying AMC 9.46.400 to remove 3rd Avenue west of C Street from the designated truck route system would align with established downtown planning efforts and improve traffic flow and safety;

WHEREAS, consultation with the Anchorage Traffic Department has indicated that a municipal code amendment is feasible and that community support through a formal resolution would strengthen efforts to effect this change;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Downtown Community Council urges the Anchorage Assembly to take necessary legislative action to amend AMC 9.46.400 and related sections, thereby removing 3rd Avenue west of C Street from the designated truck route system and prohibiting through truck traffic in this section;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Downtown Community Council requests municipal leadership to engage with the Alaska Trucking Association and relevant stakeholders to facilitate this transition and ensure appropriate alternative routing for commercial trucking needs.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Downtown Community Council on this ____ day of _____, 2025.

SIGNED:

Silvia Villamides, president

Downtown Community Council