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6 FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH

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8 ORDINANCE NO. 2011-20-11
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10 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FY 2011-12 BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING
11 \$1,069,500 IN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDING TO THE TRANSIT ENTERPRISE PROJECT
12 FUND FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A NEW TRANSIT FIXED ROUTE BETWEEN
13 SALCHA, EIELSON AIR FORCE BASE, NORTH POLE AND FAIRBANKS
14 AND INCREASING THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT'S
15 POSITION COUNT BY 1.58 FTE

16 WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public
17 Facilities (DOT&PF) has received 2011 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)
18 funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to be allocated to
19 transportation projects and programs throughout the State of Alaska; and

20 WHEREAS, DOT&PF directed a portion of the 2011 CMAQ funding to the
21 Fairbanks Metropolitan Area Transportation System (FMATS) Metropolitan Planning
22 Organization (MPO) for various projects and programs within the Fairbanks PM_{2.5} Non-
23 Attainment Area to be designated by the FMATS MPO and included in the 2010-2013
24 FMATS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

25 WHEREAS, in Amendment #5 to the 2010-2013 FMATS TIP, approved by
26 DOT&PF in May 2011, the Fairbanks Area CMAQ Project Evaluation Board allocated
27 \$1,069,500 of the 2011 CMAQ funding for a project entitled "Eielson Air Force Base
28 (EAFB)/Salcha Transit Route" that would initiate and cover the operations cost of a new
29 MACS Transit bus route serving the Eielson Air Force Base and Salcha; and

30 WHEREAS, DOT&PF will transfer \$1,069,500 of its 2011 CMAQ funding
31 to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to be made available to the Fairbanks North
32 Star Borough (Borough) as a grant (FTA Transit Route Grant) under Title 49 of the
33 United States Code (USC), Section 5307 (FTA Operating Assistance); and

34 WHEREAS, there is no matching requirement for this federal grant; and

35 WHEREAS, the FTA Transit Route Grant will be used by the Borough for
36 operating assistance on a new fixed route to service Salcha, Eielson Air Force Base,
37 North Pole and Fairbanks; and

38 WHEREAS, there is significant public support for public transportation
39 between Salcha and Fairbanks; and

40 WHEREAS, transit riders have requested new service between Salcha
41 and Fairbanks for work, school, shopping and leisure activities; and

42 WHEREAS, the addition of this transit route will improve air quality by
43 removing vehicles from the roadways; and

44 WHEREAS, additional FTE's will be required to operate this new fixed
45 route which include: 1.20 FTE for drivers, 0.08 FTE for a driver extraboard, and 0.30
46 FTE for maintenance and servicing.

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48 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Assembly of the Fairbanks
49 North Star Borough:

50 Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is not of a general and
51 permanent nature and shall not be codified.

52 Section 2. Acceptance of FTA Section 5307 Grant Funding. The
53 Borough formally accepts the award of \$1,069,500 in FTA Section 5307 grant funding to
54 initiate and operate the MACS transit route between Salcha, Eielson Air Force Base,
55 North Pole and Fairbanks.

56 Section 3. Transit Enterprise Projects Fund Appropriation. The FY 2011-
57 12 budget is hereby amended by appropriating \$1,069,500 to the Transit Enterprise
58 Projects Fund budgetary guideline entitled "FTA Section 5307 – Transit Route Salcha-
59 EAFB-North Pole-Fairbanks" and by increasing estimated revenue from federal grants
60 by a like amount.

61 Section 4. Eligible Expenditure Period. Expenditures subsequent to the
62 effective date of the signed grant agreement are eligible for reimbursement.

63 Section 5. Administrative Fee. Indirect and/or administrative fees may be
64 waived or limited by the Mayor.

65 Section 6. Position Authorization. The FY 2011-12 budget is hereby
66 amended by increasing the Transportation Department's position count by 1.58 full-
67 time-equivalent term-permanent (FTE) employees.

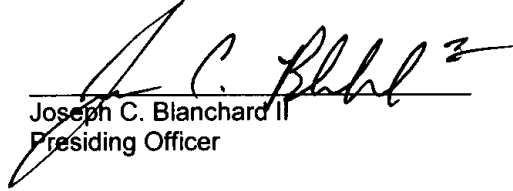
68 Section 7. Contingency. This appropriation is contingent upon receipt of a
69 signed agreement from FTA. This appropriation is for an estimated amount. The actual
70 amounts will be appropriated contingent, and based, upon the signed agreement,
71 unless materially different, as determined by the Chief Financial Officer.

72 Section 8. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective at 5:00
73 p.m. of the first Borough business day following its adoption.

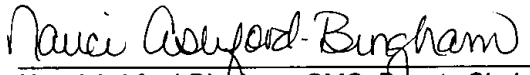
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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2011.


Joseph C. Blanchard II
Presiding Officer

ATTEST:


Nanci Ashford-Bingham, CMC, Deputy Clerk
Acting for Mona Lisa Drexler, MMC
Municipal Borough Clerk

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78 Ayes: Hutchison, Beck, Kassel, Musick, Blanchard II

79 Noes: Dukes, Howard

80 Excused: Want, Winters