

**TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2022-0X:**  
**RESOLUTION REQUESTING AMENDMENTS OF DRAFT MUNICIPAL REAPPORTIONMENT MAP**  
**(AO 2022-37: MAP 11, v. 2) FOR PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 BOUNDARIES**

WHEREAS, the Turnagain Community Council (TCC) is an all-volunteer, self-governing neighborhood organization recognized in the Municipality of Anchorage Charter; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of community councils is to provide a direct and continuing means of citizen participation in government and local affairs; and

WHEREAS, community council boundaries are intended to reflect “natural communities, with common interests and a district identity” (AMC 2.40.040A); and

WHEREAS, District 3 currently includes the entire Turnagain Community Council area, and retains our neighborhood boundary within a single district; and

WHEREAS, North and South Turnagain are connected by West Northern Lights Blvd. and other local roadways including Turnagain St., Turnagain Blvd., Wisconsin St., Forest Park Dr. and others, with demographically similar residential areas of our neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, multiple neighborhood schools including Turnagain Elementary, West High and Romig Middle Schools are important community facilities, serving many Turnagain families as well as our regular in-person meeting place for monthly council meetings, before the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Fish Creek is an important feature running through West Anchorage, connecting Turnagain and Spenard neighborhoods, running along Fish Creek Trail and ending in Cook Inlet beside the Coastal Trail, and likely soon to be further connected with the proposed Fish Creek Trail to Ocean project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Map 11 removes a significant area of Turnagain Community Council, including West High and Romig Middle School campus, as well as the area around Forest Park Drive, Hillcrest Drive, and the eastern end of the Fish Creek estuary; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Map 12 bisects our council area and moves all of North Turnagain from District 3 into District 1, as well as including multiple South Anchorage neighborhoods in District 3; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Turnagain Community Council urges the Assembly to take into account community council boundaries when drawing reapportionment lines for West Anchorage, and specifically keeping Turnagain in one district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Turnagain Community Council urges the Assembly to reject Map 12 and amend Map 11 v.2 to better reflect the composition of the West Anchorage district:

1. Include all portions of North Turnagain, including the West High / Romig Middle School campus, Forest Park Drive, Fish Creek estuary and surrounding residential areas, in District 3.
2. If boundaries need to be further adjusted, move the southern boundary of the West Anchorage district further north, to not include portions of Bayshore and Oceanview that are traditionally considered South Anchorage, and who have similar concerns as neighbors to their east.

[RESOLUTION PASSED by the Turnagain Community Council on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2022.

Vote:     yes,     no,     abstain.]

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Anna Brawley, President  
Turnagain Community Council

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