

LWW BALLOT REVIEW

Prepared by the League of Women Voters of Anchorage for the
Anchorage Regular Municipal Election, Tuesday, April 4, 2023
Assembly • School Board • Service Area Boards • Propositions

This is a VOTE AT HOME/VOTE BY MAIL ELECTION
Traditional polling places will not be available

Ballot packages will be mailed March 14, 2023, to qualified voters in the Municipality of Anchorage at their address of record with the State of Alaska Division of Elections. Ballot packages will not be forwarded by the U.S. Postal Service.



For the Tuesday, April 4, 2023, Regular Municipal Election, qualified voters within the Municipality of Anchorage will:

- Elect seven assembly members and two school board members
- Vote areawide on five bond propositions, one special election bond proposition, one ballot proposition, three charter amendments
- Voters residing in some service areas will elect members to their respective service area boards
- Voters residing in certain service areas will be voting on five different service area propositions



➔ **Voting by Mail is as easy as 1-2-3! Safe • Secure • Confidential**

Voters should follow the instructions included in the ballot package and follow these three steps:

1. **Vote your ballot, filling in the ovals completely** in blue or black ink. Place your voted ballot in the enclosed secrecy sleeve and place the secrecy sleeve in your ballot return envelope. (Only one ballot per return envelope.)
2. **Sign the voter declaration** on the back of your ballot return envelope.
3. **Return your ballot envelope in one of three ways:** 1) Place your ballot in a Secure Drop Box (muni.org/elections/dropbox), 2) send the ballot through the mail with the U.S. Postal Service using \$.87 first class postage or two forever stamps, or 3) bring it to an Anchorage Vote Center (muni.org/elections/AVC). Ballots MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day. **If mailing your ballot the day before or on Election Day, ask a postal official to hand-cancel (hand-stamp) the envelope with a postmark.**

Learn more by calling 907-243-VOTE (8683), emailing elections@anchorageak.gov or visiting muni.org/elections. Find Frequently Asked Questions online at muni.org/electionsFAQ.

This **Ballot Review** presents information about bond propositions, a special election bond, one ballot proposition, and three charter amendments as well as contact and background information for the assembly and school board candidates.

The **Notice of Election** was published in the *Anchorage Daily News* on **Sunday, February 12, 2023**, and will be published again on **Sunday, April 2, 2023**. It is online at muni.org/elections. The notice lists the assembly, school board and service area candidates, Anchorage Vote Centers, Secure Drop Box hours and locations, and the text of the ballot propositions as well as the Notice of Bonded Indebtedness.

Who May Vote?

Anyone who is a qualified voter of the State of Alaska, is a resident of the Municipality of Anchorage 30 days immediately preceding the election, and registered to vote in state elections at a residence address within the Municipality of Anchorage at least 30 days before the election may vote in this election.

Voting Options Prior to Election Day and on Election Day

You may request a ballot be mailed to a temporary address, vote by fax, or vote by email. You may vote by mailing your ballot, placing it in a secure drop-box, or vote in-person at an Anchorage Vote Center. Ballots MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day. **If mailing your ballot the day before or on Election Day, ask a postal official to hand-cancel (hand-stamp) the envelope with a postmark.**

Applications to Vote at a Temporary Address must be received by the Clerk's Office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, 2023. Applications are available at muni.org/elections/tempaddress or by calling 907-243-VOTE (8683).

To vote by fax or email, you must contact the Clerk's Office by calling 907-243-VOTE (8683). Applications to vote by fax or email received after 5 p.m. on March 28, 2023, will be processed subject to availability of staff and resources until 5 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2023.

Voting on Service Area Bonds

Bond-related projects such as roads and parks are sometimes organized into service areas with specific geographic boundaries; only taxpayers in those service areas pay for the bonded projects. Even so, state law requires a pledge of the "full faith and credit" of the whole Municipality of Anchorage (Municipality), which means that a bonded proposition in a service area must be approved by a majority of voters throughout the Municipality as well as by a majority of voters in the service area.

All areawide bonds are paid for by property taxpayers throughout the Municipality. This applies to Propositions 1 (School Bonds) and 2 (Public Safety and Transit).

Other bond-related projects including Propositions 3 (Anchorage Road and Storm Drainage Service Area), 4 (Anchorage Fire Service Area) and A (Parks and Recreation) are paid for by property taxpayers in their respective service areas. For more information on the individual bond projects, please visit Office of Management and Budget's Fact Sheets: muni.org/Departments/budget/Pages/Bond-Prop-Fact-Sheets.aspx

Voting for Candidates

Qualified voters residing in the Municipality may vote for a candidate listed by **filling in the oval completely** in blue or black ink next to the name, or writing in the name of a person qualified to hold that office and filling in the oval next to the write-in name. Candidates' names appear in random order on the ballot.

- Assembly members are elected to designated seats. Assembly member candidates win with a simple majority.
- School board members are elected at large, meaning members represent all areas of the Municipality but are elected to a designated seat. School board candidates win with a simple majority.
- Service area board members are elected by the voters residing in the respective service area. Service area candidates must file a declaration of candidacy, even as a write-in, at least seven days before the election.

NOTE: Anchorage municipal elections are **NOT** governed by ranked choice voting. In Alaska's 2020 General Election, voters approved an initiative to establish a ranked choice voting system for the State general election. That initiative does not apply to municipal elections.



Traditional polling places will not be available

Anchorage Vote Centers offer the following services:

Voting assistance • Register to vote • Vote a questioned ballot • Return a ballot
 Replace a lost or damaged ballot • Receive a ballot package and vote

Call 907-243-VOTE (8683) for more information.

View a map of Anchorage Vote Center locations at muni.org/elections/dropbox.

➡ Anchorage Vote Center Locations

<p>ZJ Loussac Library 3600 Denali Street, First Floor <i>All municipal ballots will be available at this location.</i> Weekdays, March 27 – April 3, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, April 1, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sunday, April 2, Noon – 5:00 p.m. Election Day, April 4, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. <i>Use Bus Routes 25, 85</i></p>	<p>City Hall 632 West 6th Avenue, Room #105 <i>All municipal ballots will be available at this location.</i> Weekdays, March 27 – April 3, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, April 1, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sunday, April 2, Noon – 5:00 p.m. Election Day, April 4, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. <i>Use Bus Routes 10, 11, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 41, 85, 92</i></p>	<p>Eagle River Town Center Same building as the library 12001 Business Boulevard, Community Room #170 <i>Only Chugiak-Eagle River ballots will be available at this location.</i> Weekdays, March 27 – April 3, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, April 1, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sunday, April 2, Noon – 5:00 p.m. Election Day, April 4, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. <i>Use Bus Route 92</i></p>
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➡ Secure Ballot Drop Box Locations

Secure Ballot Drop Boxes are open 24/7 from March 14, 2023, to April 4, 2023, at 8 p.m.

View a map of Secure Ballot Drop Box locations at muni.org/elections/dropbox. Call 907-243-VOTE (8683) for more information.

Location	Location
Anchorage School District Education Center , 5530 E. Northern Lights Boulevard <i>Use Bus Route 10</i>	Girdwood Community Center , 250 Egloff Drive
Bartlett High School , 1101 Golden Bear Drive <i>Use Bus Route 25</i>	Loussac Library , 3600 Denali Street <i>Use Bus Routes 25, 85</i>
Begich Middle School , 7440 Creekside Center Drive <i>Use Bus Routes 10, 25, 30, 31</i>	O'Malley's on the Green , 3651 O'Malley Road
City Hall Parking Lot , 632 W. 6th Avenue <i>Use Bus Routes 10, 11, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 41, 85, 92</i>	Planning and Development Center (MOA Permit Center) , 4700 Elmore Road <i>Use Bus Route 25</i>
Clark Middle School , 150 Bragaw Street <i>Use Bus Routes 20, 21</i>	Service High School , 5577 Abbott Road
Dimond High School , 2909 W. 88th Avenue <i>Use Bus Route 65</i>	South Anchorage High School , 13400 Elmore Road
Eagle River Town Center , 12001 Business Boulevard <i>Use Bus Route 92</i>	Spenard Community Recreation Center , 2020 W. 48th Avenue
Election Center , 619 E. Ship Creek Avenue	UAA Alaska Airlines Center , 3550 Providence Drive <i>Use Bus Routes 10, 20, 55</i>
Fairview Community Recreation Center , 1121 E. 10th Avenue <i>Use Bus Route 11</i>	West High School , 1700 Hillcrest Drive <i>Use Bus Routes 10, 40, 85</i>

The information provided below is exactly as submitted by the candidate.

Candidates for School Board Seats

Seat C

Dave Donley

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 Education: Juris Doctor University of Washington, BS University of Oregon
 Elected Experience: State Senator 1993-2002; State Representative 1987-1993; Anchorage School Board 2017-present

Other Professional Experience: Chief of Adjudications/Hearing Officer State of Alaska 2003-2008; Member Alaska Bar Association since 1979; Colonel/Officer Alaska State Defense Force 2008 - present; JAG
 Community Service: Northern Lights ABC School Advisory Board 2014-2017; Abbott Loop Community Council Board of Directors 2007-2014; Anchorage Municipal Budget Advisory Committee 2017-2020

Irene Boll

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Education: Bachelor of Psychology Minor Social Welfare UAA
 Elected Experience: None Listed
 Other Professional Experience: None Listed
 Community Service: Foster Parent current; Crisis Counselor current

Seat D

Mark Anthony Cox

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 Education: MBA, BA-Finance
 Elected Experience: President Stonegate HOA (2021-Present); Urban Design Commission, Commissioner (2021-Present)

Other Professional Experience: Owner of Royal Contractors, LLC (2021-Present); Founder of Family Charity of Alaska (2020-Present)
 Community Service: Volunteer Bean's Cafe/Children's Lunchbox (2019-2021); Bartlett High School Self-Help School Speaker (2016); Special Olympics Alaska, Inc. (2010-2012)

Andy Holleman

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 Website: VoteAndyAK.com
 Education: BS-Biology, B.Ed
 Elected Experience: Two terms on ASD Board, 2016 to Present

Other Professional Experience: MOA Assembly Task Force on Public Testimony 2013; President - Anchorage Education Association 2012-2016
 Community Service: Rotary International; Early Childhood Education for Anchorage - Steering Committee; United Way 90 by 2020 Board 2013 to 2016



Candidates for Assembly Seats

District 1, Seat B North Anchorage

Nick Danger

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Education: None listed

Elected Experience: Girdwood Board of Supervisors 2000-2005; Public Safety Advisory Commission 2010-2020; Alaska Safety Advisory Council 2015-2023
Other Professional Experience: None listed
Community Service: None listed

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Education: None listed
Elected Experience: None listed
Other Professional Experience: None listed
Community Service: None listed

Christopher Constant

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Education: None listed

Elected Experience: Elected to Anchorage Assembly 2020-2023; Re-elected to Anchorage Assembly 2017-2020
Other Professional Experience: Real Estate License 2016-present; Professional grants and contracts writer
Community Service: Fairview Community Council 2009-2017; Fairview Community Council President 2015

District 2, Seat C Chugiak, Eagle River, JBER

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Education: Juris Doctor, Univ. of Tulsa, College of Law; M.P.A. & B.A. University of Colorado, Boulder
Elected Experience: Anchorage School Board; 1992-1993; Chair, Municipality of Anchorage Zoning Board of Examiners & Appeals, 1986-1992, Member 1984-1992; President, Anchorage East Rotary Club 2005-2006, Member 1984-present

Other Professional Experience: Alaska Association of Professional Landmen, 1983-2008, Past President; President, Eaglewood Homeowners Association, 1984-1987; Pacific Northern Academy, Board of Trustees, 2004-2008, 2015-2018
Community Service: Alaska Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors; 1998-present, Past President 3 times; Assistant Scoutmaster, Boy Scout Troop 230, 1987-2003; Knik Little League, Baseball Coach for Juniors, Majors & All-Star Teams, 1997-2001 & 2022

Scott Myers

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Education: Lane Community College, Eugene Oregon; Thurston High School, Springfield, Oregon
Elected Experience: Zoning Board of Examiners & Appeals 2022-Current; Board of Equalization 2022-Current; President, Southfork Community Council 2022-Current

Other Professional Experience: President, Anchorage Board of REALTORS® 2017, Supervisory Committee, MAC Federal Credit Union 2020-2021; Presidents Circle, National Association of REALTORS® 2016-Current
Community Service: Chugiak-Eagle River Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors 2014-2022; Southfork Community Council 2012-Current; Volunteer, VFW Post 9785 2017-Current

District 3, Seat E West Anchorage

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Other Professional Experience: None listed
Community Service: None listed

District 3, Seat E West Anchorage, continued

Anna Brawley

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Education: BA, Denison University; MA, University of Chicago; MRP, Cornell University

Elected Experience: Appointed: Anchorage Budget Advisory Commission, 12/2020 - present; Elected: Turnagain Community Council: President, 2022; Secretary, 2015-2019; Elected: Spenard Community Council: Secretary, 2013-2014

Other Professional Experience: Agnew::Beck Consulting, Senior Associate 2015 - present; Associate, 2011-2014; Edgewater Villa Homeowners Association, Board of Directors, President 2016 - present; American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), 2017 - present
Community Service: NeighborWorks Alaska: Board of Directors, 2013-2022; Secretary, 2015-2017; Turnagain Community Council Land Use Committee, 2016-2022; Anchorage Winter Market (pop-up event), Project manager & organizer, 2015

Brian Flynn

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Education: University of Connecticut
Elected Experience: Heritage Land Bank Advisory Commission December 2021-Present; Zoning Board of Examiners & Appeals - March 2022-Present; Budget Advisory Commission - July 2022-Present

Other Professional Experience: State of Alaska Licensed Real Estate Salesperson-August 2001-June 2007; State of Alaska Licensed Real Estate Associate Broker - June 2007-Present; Bayshore/Klatt Community Council: Treasurer September 2021-January 2023
Community Service: Livestrong Foundation-Cancer Research Federal Funding Appeal & Fund Raising Events-2007-2012

District 4, Seat G Midtown Anchorage

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Elected Experience: None listed
Other Professional Experience: None listed
Community Service: None listed

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Education: BA in Liberal Studies, Alaska Pacific University, 2011
Elected Experience: Anchorage Assembly, Midtown, Seat 4G, 2017 - present

Other Professional Experience: Special Assistant to the Mayor, Mayor Ethan Berkowitz, 2015 - 2016; Community Organizer and Consultant, 2012 - 2015
Community Service: Board President, Alaska Institute for Justice, 2015 - 2017; Board Secretary, Identity Inc, 2010-2015; Board Member, Alaska Youth Court, 2015 - 2017

District 5, Seat H East Anchorage (2 Year Term)

Leigh Sloan

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Education: Bachelor Degree in Education with additional Master's Credits
Elected Experience: None listed

Other Professional Experience: Pastor (2013-2017); Campaign Manager (Sept-Oct 2018, Oct 2021-June 2022); School Administrator (Sept 2022-present)
Community Service: Alaska Parents' Rights in Education Director; Homeschool Co-op Director; Community Events Coordinator

Karen Bronga

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Education: Bachelor of Science Physical Education, recreation emphasis, K-12 teaching
Elected Experience: Scenic Foothills Community Council Secretary 2013- 2015; Scenic Foothills Community Council Vice Pres 2015-2017; Scenic Foothills Community Council President 2020-2022

Other Professional Experience: Recreation Therapist - Alaska Psychiatric Institute 1984-1989; Teacher ASD 1998-2018; Arctic Orienteering Vice President 2016-2018
Community Service: Skiku Volunteer Coach; Cleanup day Coordinator; Anchorage Parks Foundation

District 5, Seat I East Anchorage

George Martinez

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Education: BA, Political Science, Brooklyn College, NY; Ph.D. fellow, Political Science, Level II MEQ, CUNY Graduate School, NY

Elected Experience: Special Assistant to the Mayor, Municipality of Anchorage, 2015-19 (appointed); US Cultural Envoy, US Department of State, 2007-14 (appointed); Assistant Director of Intergovernmental Relations, New York State Attorney General, 2003-04 (appointed)

Other Professional Experience: Owner, Consoach, LLC., 2022-present; Vice President and Program Director, Alaska Humanities Forum, 2019-22; Adjunct Professor of Political Science, Pace University, 2002-15

Community Service: Board member/ past president, Northeast Community Council; Board member, Alaska Youth Orchestras and the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts; Advisor, Anchorage Cops for Community (AC4C)

Spencer Moore

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Education: Bachelor of Science, Business: HR Management, Liberty University, Lynchburg VA

Elected Experience: Regional Representative, Alaska Republican Party (East Anchorage, E.R., Chugiak), 2020-2022; District Chairman, Alaska Republican Party (East Anchorage, District 21) 2019-2020

Other Professional Experience: Ramsey Solutions, Master Financial Coach - 2018 - Present; Department of Corrections, Volunteer Chaplain 2019 - Present; Notary Public, State of Alaska, Commission Ending in 2024

Community Service: Impact Alaska Organizer, East Anchorage (Community Service Projects), May 2022-Present; Youth Basketball Coach, Club Sports Alaska, 2022

District 6, Seat K South Anchorage Girdwood, Turnagain Arm

Rachel Ries

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Education: B.A. Political Science

Elected Experience: Commissioner - Budget Advisory Committee - June 2022 to present; Secretary - Home and Landowners Association (HALO) - May 2022 to January 2023 (stepped down to run for election); Vice President - Huffman/O'Malley Community Council - May 2022 to November 2022 (stepped down to run for election)

Other Professional Experience: Board of Directors, Veterans Affairs (Paws Unite People) - 2012 to present

Community Service: Huffman/O'Malley Community Council - 2020 to present; Anchorage Home and Landowners Association (HALO) - 2020 to present

Mikel Insalaco

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Elected Experience: None listed

Other Professional Experience: None listed

Community Service: None listed

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Education: BS in Aviation Technology, University of Alaska Anchorage

Elected Experience: Hillside Community Council, Secretary, 2021 - Present; Girdwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Executive Committee President, 2011-2013

Other Professional Experience: Alaska Department of Public Safety, Trooper, 2013-2021; U.S. Marine Corps, Infantry, 2000-2004

Community Service: Girdwood Fire Department, Volunteer FF/EMT, 2007 - 2013; Team Rubicon, Volunteer, 2021 - Present; Firewise Saturday, Co-Chair, 2022

Description of precinct boundaries: Because the litigation regarding the State of Alaska 2021 Redistricting Plan was not concluded prior to preparations for this election, descriptions of the election district precinct boundaries have not been finalized in the Alaska Administrative Code. In the meantime, election district voting precincts are depicted on maps approved and adopted by the Division of Elections in the Division's document titled Voting Precinct Maps, dated June 20, 2022. The maps can be found online at www.elections.alaska.gov/Core/districtmaps.php and at the State of Alaska Region II Election Office, 2525 Gambell St., Anchorage, Alaska 99503.

Go to: muni.org/Departments/Assembly/Clerk/Elections/Pages/BallotInfo.aspx to read the entire ordinance.

Proposition 1 - \$37,787,000 Anchorage School District Capital Improvement Bonds

These bonds would pay for capital improvements for Anchorage School District ("ASD") schools as outlined below.

For each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2023 assessed valuation in the Municipality), the estimated annual increase in taxes is \$8.03 to retire the proposed bonds. There are no new costs for operation and maintenance (O&M).

Property owners throughout the Municipality of Anchorage would be taxed for these bonds.

Projects expected to be funded include, but are not limited to:

Project	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M
College Gate Elementary School Roof Replacement & Seismic Structural Upgrades	\$ 6,383,000	-
East High School Academic Area Safety Improvements	6,073,000	-
1990 Prototypical Roof Improvement Projects Kasuun & Kincaid Elementary Schools	11,750,000	-
Warehouse/Purchasing Roof Replacement & Seismic Structural Upgrades	4,110,000	-
Prioritized Security Vestibule & Security Improvements Birchwood, Bowman, Northwood, Ocean View, Spring Hill, Trailside	9,471,000	-
Total:	\$37,787,000	\$0

(A0 2022-108)

Proposition 2 - \$4,620,000 Areawide Public Safety and Transit Capital Improvement Bonds

These bonds would pay for capital improvements to upgrade the infrastructure of the Anchorage Areawide Radio Network, acquire new replacement ambulances and fuel tanks, acquire and replace transit vehicles and support equipment, and undertake school zone safety improvements, bus stop improvements, and improvements to transit facilities and centers.

For each \$100,000 of assessed property value (based on the estimated 2023 assessed valuation in the Municipality) the estimated annual costs are \$0.96 to retire the proposed bonds. There are no new operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

Property owners throughout the Municipality of Anchorage would be taxed for these bonds.

Projects expected to be funded include, but are not limited to:

Project	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M
Anchorage Areawide Radio Network Infrastructure Upgrade	\$ 1,700,000	-
Fire Ambulance Replacement	810,000	-
Fuel Tanks	500,000	-
School Zone Safety	500,000	-
Transit Facilities, Centers and Bus Stop Improvements	445,000	-
Transit Fleet/Support Equipment/Support Vehicle Replacement and Expansion	665,000	-
Total:	\$4,620,000	-

(AO 2023-3)

Proposition 3 – \$34,500,000 Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area Road and Storm Drainage Bonds

These bonds would pay for roads and storm drainage capital acquisition, construction, renovation upgrades in the Anchorage Road and Drainage Service Area (ARDSA).

For each \$100,000 of assessed property value in the ARDSA (based on the estimated 2023 assessed valuation in the ARDSA) the estimated annual increase in taxes is \$9.33 to retire the proposed bonds and an annual increase in the municipal tax cap of approximately \$0.39 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs. This will increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$112,000 to pay for associated annual operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

Only property owners in the ARDSA would be taxed for these bonds. The ARDSA includes much of the Anchorage Bowl. It does not include Girdwood and Eagle River/Chugiak. However, because state law requires the full faith and credit of the whole Municipality to be pledged for these bonds, passage requires approval by voters residing in the entire Municipality as well as by voters in the ARDSA.

Projects expected to be funded include, but are not limited to:

Project	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M	Project	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M
100th Ave Surface Rehab – Victor Rd to Minnesota Dr	\$ 2,500,000	-	E 20th Ave Pedestrian Improvements – Tikishla Park to Bragaw St	4,000,000	-
42nd Ave Upgrade – Lake Otis Pkwy to Florina St	1,400,000	-	Flooding, Glaciation, and Drainage Annual Program	700,000	15,000
ADA Improvements	500,000	2,000	Forest Park Roadway Surface & Shoulder Rehabilitation	600,000	-
Air Guard Rd Improvements Phase II	300,000	-	Four Seasons Mobile Home Park Area Storm Drain Improvements	400,000	-
Alaska Railroad Crossing Rehabs	250,000	-	Intersection Resurfacing	200,000	-
AMATS: 3rd Ave Signals and Lighting Upgrades – E St to Cordova St	100,000	-	Jewel Terrace St Road and Drainage Improvements	450,000	-
AMATS: 4th Ave Signals and Lighting – Cordova St to Ingra St	50,000	-	Lake Otis Pkwy Surface Rehab – Abbott Rd to Huffman Rd	3,500,000	-
ARDSA Alley Paving	500,000	-	Lake Otis Pkwy Surface Rehabilitation – 68th Ave to Abbott Rd	200,000	-
ARDSA Road and Drainage Rehabilitation Annual Program	700,000	-	Low Impact Development Annual Program	200,000	10,000
ARDSA Sound Barrier/Retaining Wall Replacement	400,000	-	Midtown Corridor Improvements, Denali St Area – Fireweed to Tudor Rd	1,000,000	-
ARDSA Storm Drainage Deficiencies	700,000	-	Northern Lights Blvd Surface Rehab – Lake Otis Pkwy to Boniface Pkwy	100,000	-
ARDSA Street Light Improvements	400,000	-	Pavement and Subbase Rehabilitation	1,000,000	5,000
Beaver Pl/Baxter Rd Surface Rehab – 16th Ave to Northern Lights Blvd.	500,000	-	Pedestrian Safety and Rehab Annual Program	500,000	15,000
Camrose Dr Area Storm Drain Improvements	3,000,000	-	Providence Dr/University Dr Surface Rehab – Lake Otis Pkwy to east end	1,000,000	-
Carriage Dr Area Drainage Improvements	500,000	-	Quinhagak St Upgrade – E Dowling Rd to Askeland Dr	1,000,000	-
Chugach Way Upgrade – Spenard Rd to Arctic Blvd	500,000	-	W 90th Ave/Angela Pl Area Resurfacing	250,000	-
Constitution St Area Storm Drain Improvements	500,000	-	Zodiac Manor Subd Area Surface Rehab Phase IV	400,000	-
DeBarr Rd Surface Rehab – Lake Otis Pkwy to Airport Heights Rd	200,000	-	Anchorage Signal System, Signage, and Safety Improvements	500,000	5,000
Dowling Rd Surface Rehab – Lake Otis Pkwy to Elmore Rd	2,000,000	-	Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements	500,000	60,000
Downtown Lighting and Signals Upgrades	3,000,000	-	Total:	\$34,500,000	\$112,000

(AO 2023-1)

Proposition 4 - \$2,625,000 Anchorage Fire Service Area Fire Protection Bonds

These bonds would pay for acquiring replacement fire engines and making AFD facility improvements in the Anchorage Fire Service Area (AFSA).

For each \$100,000 of assessed property value in the AFSA (based on the estimated 2023 assessed valuation in the AFSA), the estimated annual increase in taxes is \$0.59 to retire the proposed bond. There are no new operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

Only property owners in the AFSA would be taxed for these bonds. The AFSA includes the Anchorage Bowl and Eagle River. There would be no cost to property owners in Chugiak, Birchwood, Peters Creek, Girdwood, and portions of Glen Alps and Rabbit Creek. However, because state law requires the full faith and credit of the whole Municipality to be pledged for these bonds, passage requires approval by voters residing in the entire Municipality as well as by voters in the AFSA.

Projects expected to be funded include, but are not limited to:

Project	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M
AFD Facility Improvements	\$ 1,025,000	-
Fire Engine Replacement	1,600,000	-
Total:	\$2,625,000	-

(AO 2023-5)

Proposition 5 - \$450,000 Chugiak Fire Service Area Fire Protection Bonds

These bonds would pay for acquiring a rescue truck for the Chugiak Volunteer Fire Department in the Chugiak Fire Service Area.

For each \$100,000 of assessed property value in the Chugiak Eagle River Service Area (based on the estimated 2023 assessed valuation in the Chugiak Eagle River Service Area), the estimated annual increase in taxes is \$2.53 to retire the proposed bonds. There are no new operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

Only property owners in the Chugiak Fire Service Area would be taxed for these bonds. There is no cost to properties in Anchorage, Girdwood Valley and other areas outside the service area. However, because state law requires the full faith and credit of the whole Municipality to be pledged for these bonds, passage requires approval by voters residing in the entire Municipality as well as by voters in the Chugiak Fire Service Area.

Projects expected to be funded include, but are not limited to:

Project	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M
Rescue Truck Chugiak Volunteer Fire Department	\$450,000	-
Total	\$450,000	-

(AO 2023-6, As Amended)

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Proposition 6 - Creation of the Chugach State Park Access Service Area

This proposition creates the Chugach State Park Access Service Area (CASA), to include all areas of the Municipality north of McHugh Creek, but excluding Fire Island, areas currently contained within the Eagle River-Chugiak Park and Recreational and Girdwood Valley Service Areas, and excluding areas of the Municipality within Tax District 15 (which contains Rainbow, Indian, Bird Creek, and Portage).

Creation of the service area would allow the Municipality to submit to voters bond propositions for projects that support access to portions of Chugach State Park that are located in the service area and ameliorate the neighborhood effects of access by park users. Projects could include road and parking improvements, park access, and amenities to support park access. The service area would not levy taxes upon approval of this proposition; taxes may only be levied if voters subsequently approve a proposition that authorizes levying and spending generally or for a particular project or projects and an annual tax levy for the maintenance and operations of the approved improvements constructed.

(AO 2023-8, As Amended)

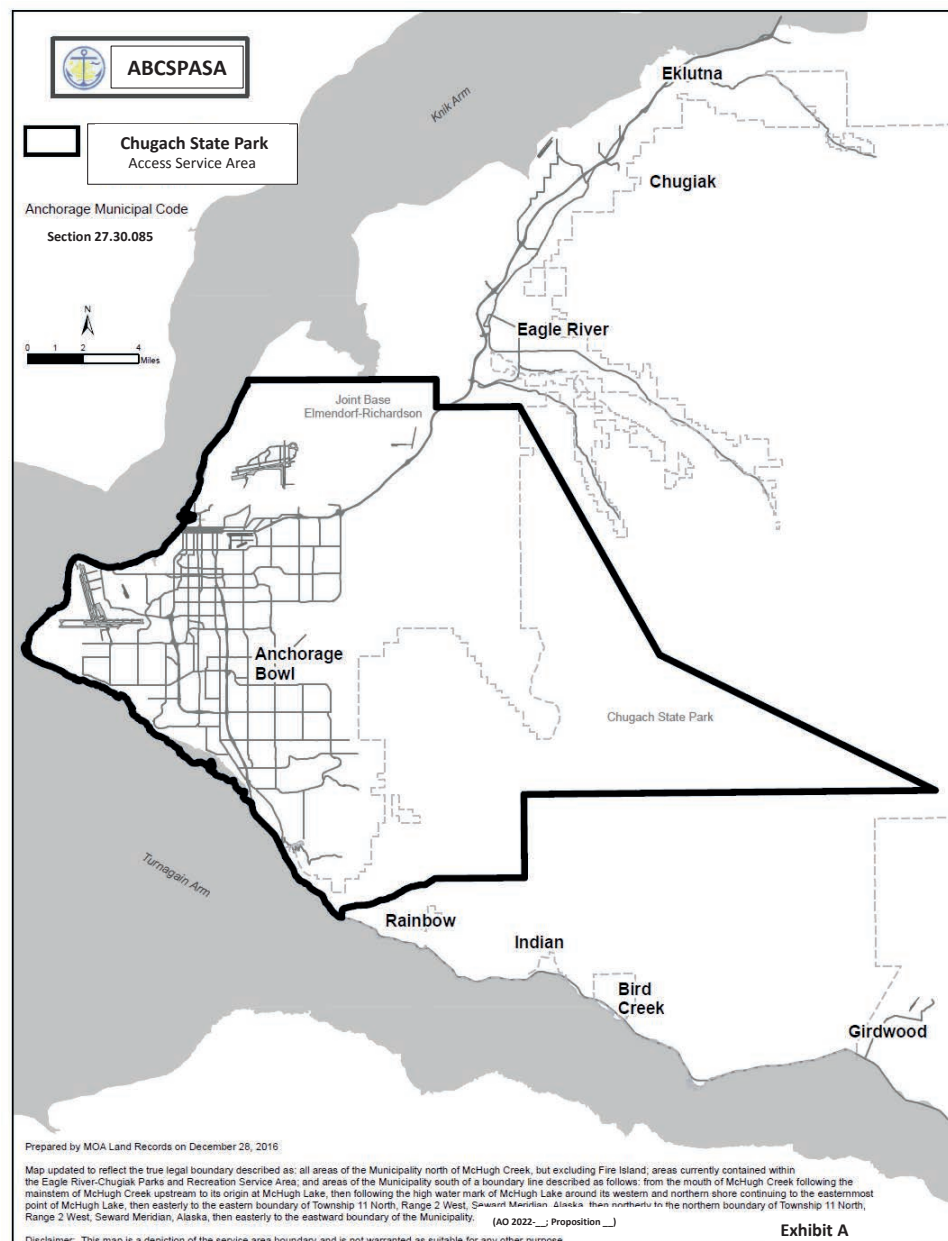
Proposition 7 - Girdwood Valley Service Area Local Housing and Economic Stability Power

This proposition would add to the existing powers of the Girdwood Valley Service Area (GVSA) the power to provide services in support of policies that promote local housing and economic stability. This proposition would not authorize the GVSA to levy any additional taxes. Exercise of this new power, if approved, would be paid for by taxes levied under the service area's current maximum mill rate of 6.0 mills.

To be voted on by qualified voters residing in the Girdwood Valley Service Area.

(AO 2022-118, As Amended)

Proposition 6 Chugach State Park Access Service Area



BALLOT STATUS

Voters can find out the status of their ballot by using **BallotTrax** at anchoragevotes.com, where voters can sign up for texts, email, or voicemail alerts regarding ballot status.

As always, voters can call the Municipal Voter Hotline at 907-243-VOTE (8683) to confirm ballot return envelope status.

Voters will be required to provide information over the telephone to confirm identity.

Proposition 8 - Approving Annexation of Grandeur Subdivision Lot 1, Lot 2, Lot 3, Lot 4, and Lot 5 to the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights Limited Road Service Area (LRSA) and Amending the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA Boundaries

This proposition would annex five (5) properties within the Grandeur Subdivision, Lot 1 (020-571-61-000), Lot 2 (020-571-62-000), Lot 3 (020-571-63-000), Lot 4 (020-571-64-000), and Lot 5 (020-571-65-0001) to the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA and amend the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA boundaries, effective retroactive to January 1, 2023.

Paine Road currently serves Lots 1-5 within the Grandeur Subdivision and is adjacent to Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA. If approved, approximately 0.17 miles of Paine Road would qualify for road maintenance services through the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA.

Private property owners within the proposed Grandeur Subdivision annexation area will pay additional property taxes, pending approval of the current budgeted mill rate, up to \$100 of property taxes per \$100,000 assessed value annually for the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA annual road maintenance and operating services beginning with the tax year 2023. The existing mill rate in the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA is 2.50 mills.

To be voted on by qualified voters in the Rabbit Creek View and Rabbit Creek Heights LRSA and the Grandeur Subdivision Lots 1 through 5.

(AO 2022-113, As Amended)

Proposition 9 – Approving Annexation of Spruce Terraces Subdivision to the South Goldenview Rural Road Service Area (RRSA) and Amending the South Goldenview RRSA Boundaries

This proposition will annex two Spruce Terraces Subdivision parcels to the South Goldenview RRSA. The annexation will amend the boundaries of South Goldenview RRSA through the annexation of parcel numbers 020-043-02-000 and 020-043-03-000 of the Spruce Terraces Subdivision, effective retroactive to January 1, 2023.

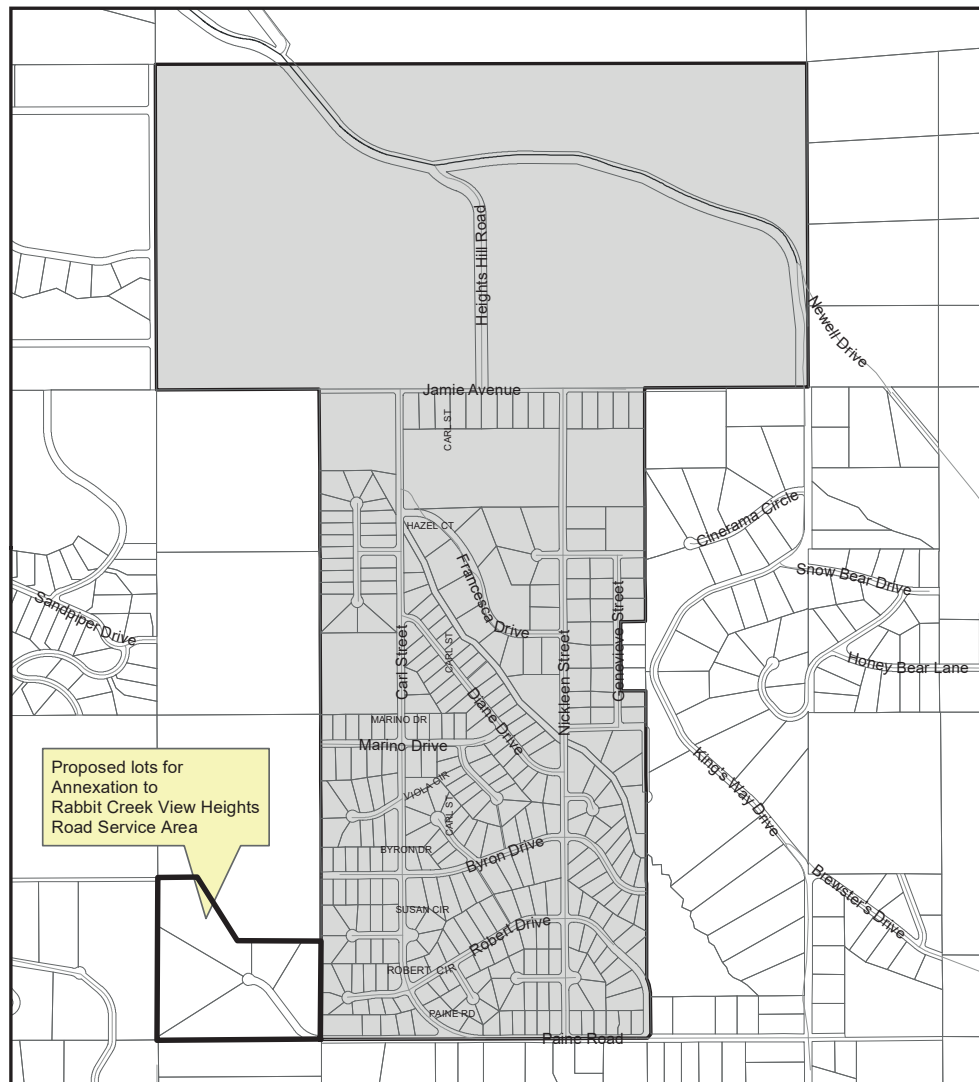
The affected roads to be constructed are Shaman Place (0.12 mile) and Avalanche Circle (0.38 mile) within Spruce Terraces Subdivision, and would qualify for road maintenance services from the South Goldenview RRSA.

Parcel owners of the Spruce Terraces Subdivision, numbers 020-043-02-000 and 020-043-03-000, may incur additional property taxes beginning with the tax year 2023.

To be voted on by qualified voters in the South Goldenview RRSA and the Spruce Terraces Subdivision parcels, numbers 020-043-02-000 and 020-043-03-000.

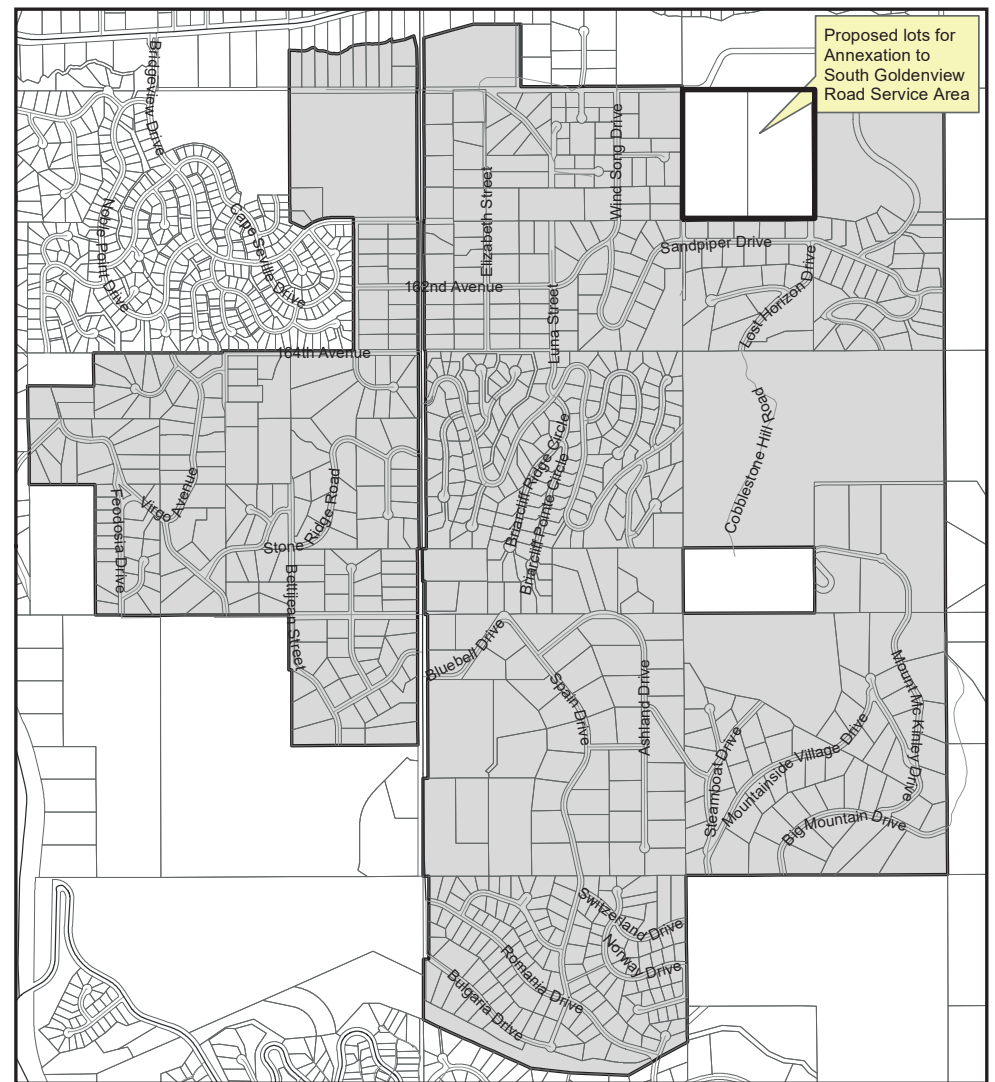
(AO 2022-114)

Proposition 8
Rabbit Creek View & Rabbit Creek Heights
Rural Road Service Area



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Proposition 9
South Goldenview
Rural Road Service Area



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Proposition 10 – Approving De-Annexation of Cromwell Heights Subdivision Block 1, Lots 1 and 2 from the Lakehill Limited Road Service Area (LRSA) and Amending the Lakehill LRSA Boundaries

This proposition will amend the boundaries of the Lakehill LRSA by de-annexing Cromwell Heights Subdivision Block 1, Lots 1 and 2 from the Lakehill LRSA, effective retroactive to January 1, 2023.

The affected Cromwell Heights properties do not receive direct road maintenance services from the Lakehill LRSA. The Cromwell Heights properties have direct access to state maintained Hillside Drive. Any future development is unlikely to result in direct access to the Lakehill LRSA maintained roads.

If approved, the affected private property owners will incur a decrease in property taxes for road services beginning with the 2023 tax year. The reduction of annual tax revenues to Lakehill LRSA will be less than \$600 and does not have a material fiscal impact on the Lakehill LRSA financial integrity.

To be voted on by qualified voters in the Lakehill LRSA.

(AO 2022-112, As Amended)

Proposition 11 – Amending Anchorage Charter Section 13.11 to Change Management Authority for the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Trust Fund from the Treasurer to a Fiduciary Board and Establishing Primary Fiduciary Duties and Responsibilities Associated with Board Management of the MOA Trust Fund

Key elements of Proposition 11 would:

- Establish a new fiduciary board to manage the Trust, thereby replacing the Municipal Treasurer as the sole named fiduciary for the Trust;
- Require the fiduciary board advise both the administration and assembly;
- Require the Trust be managed consistent with the Uniform Prudent Investor Act which specifies principles and standards governing the conduct of fiduciaries serving investment funds;
- Confirm that Municipal Code Chapter 6.50 will be the vehicle by which the fund shall be invested and managed; and
- Allow for a one-year transition period in order to provide adequate time to transition from the sole fiduciary to a new Board of Trustees.

(AO 2022-116, As Amended)

Proposition 10 Lakehill Limited Road Service Area



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Proposition 12 – Residential Real Property Tax Exemption Increase

In 2022, the property values for the majority of residential property owners in the Municipality increased, often by more than 10%. Due to a drop in mil rates, most owners saw their taxes remain flat or decrease slightly, but some owners did see a rise in their tax bill.

To benefit all residents, this proposition would increase the residential real property tax exemption from the current twenty percent (20%) of the assessed value to forty percent (40%) of the assessed value, up to a maximum of \$75,000. By increasing the exemption percentage to forty, residential properties with an assessed value less than \$187,500 will see the exemption double. Residential properties with an assessed value equal to or greater than \$187,500 will receive the maximum exemption of \$75,000. It is expected that the change will benefit all properties up to \$800,000 in assessed value. If passed, the increased exemption will be retroactive to January 1, 2023.

(AO 2022-75(S))

Proposition 13 – Amending Anchorage Municipal Charter For Filling Vacancies on the Assembly and in the Office of the Mayor, to Exclude Costs for Special Elections for These Offices From the Tax Increase Limitation.

This ordinance will make changes to the Anchorage Municipal Charter regarding filling vacancies on the Assembly and in the office of Mayor. These changes include:

- Change the period for holding a special election to fill a vacancy on the Assembly from not more than 60 days after a vacancy occurs to no sooner than 90 days;
- Revise the requirements for electing a successor when there is a vacancy in the office of Mayor;
- Allow the Assembly to appoint a person to the chair's Assembly District seat during service as acting mayor;
- At the end of that service, direct that the Assembly chair and vice chair positions return to those holding them at the time the vacancy in the office of mayor occurred; and
- Allow costs for special elections for these offices to be paid for by property taxes collected above the tax cap, excluding these costs from the tax increase limitation calculation.

(AO 2022-77(S-1), As Amended)

Proposition 14 – Amending the Anchorage Municipal Charter Regarding the Marijuana Retail Tax and Dedicating Tax Proceeds for Child Care and Early Education

The Anchorage Municipal Charter would be amended by adding a new Section 6.06 to Article VI. The new section would:

- Dedicate retail marijuana sales tax net proceeds for child care and early education;
- Establish an Accountability Board of Child Care and Early Education and define its composition and purpose;
- Dedicate the net retail marijuana sales tax revenues to this board's budgeted activities;
- Move the marijuana sales taxes from under the tax increase limitation (tax cap) calculation to be above the tax cap and lower the tax cap one time by \$1,000,000 in 2024; and
- Lower the maximum tax on all retail sales of marijuana and marijuana products from 12% to 10% of the sales price. The initial rate of levy remains 5% which may not be increased until after June 2028.

(AO -2022-17(S-2), As Amended)

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Proposition A Special Election - \$3,950,000 Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area Capital Improvement Bonds

These bonds will pay the costs of renovating and rehabilitating trails and parks, and making improvements at various parks and recreation facilities in the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area (APRSA).

For each \$100,000 of assessed property value in the APRSA (based on the estimated 2023 assessed valuation in the APRSA), the estimated annual increase in taxes is \$0.96 to retire the proposed bonds and an annual increase in the municipal tax cap of \$0.62 to pay for additional annual operation and maintenance (O&M) costs, not to exceed \$195,000.

Only property owners in the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area (APRSA) would be taxed for these bonds. There would be no cost to property owners in Chugiak, Eagle River, Girdwood, and other areas outside APRSA. However, because state law requires the full faith and credit of the whole Municipality to be pledged for these bonds, passage requires approval by voters residing in the entire Municipality as well as by voters in the APRSA.

Projects expected to be funded include, but are not limited to:

Project	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M
Campbell Creek Trail Rehabilitation and Way Finding	\$ 300,000	\$15,000
Fish Creek Trail to the Ocean	150,000	7,000
Peratrovich Park Upgrades	700,000	35,000
Ship Creek Trail	250,000	12,000
Athletic Field Safety Improvements	200,000	10,000
Chester Creek Complex Facility, Security, and ADA Improvements	100,000	5,000
Playground Development – all-inclusive	300,000	15,000
Far North Bicentennial Park Bridge Replacement	150,000	7,000
Russian Jack Springs Park Safety and ADA Improvements	300,000	15,000
Fairview Recreation Center Improvements	500,000	25,000
Spenard Recreation Center Improvements	200,000	10,000
Tony Knowles Coastal Trail to Ship Creek Trail Connection	150,000	7,000
Midtown Park Family Chalet	300,000	15,000
Mulcahy Stadium Improvements	350,000	17,000
Total:	\$3,950,000	\$195,000

(AO 2023-2(S), As Amended)

Bonded Indebtedness

The current General Obligation bonded indebtedness of the Municipality of Anchorage, including authorized but unissued bonds, based on bonds outstanding as of **December 31, 2022**, is as follows:

General Obligation Bonds	General Purpose	School	Total Outstanding
General Obligation Bonds Issued and Outstanding	\$466,620,000	\$432,745,000	\$899,365,000
Authorized but Unissued General Obligation Bonds	\$69,170,000	\$35,000,000	\$104,170,000
Total General Obligation Bonded Indebtedness <i>Including Authorized but Unissued Bonds</i>			\$1,003,535,000

Principal and Interest Payments for 2023

Constituting the cost of debt service on current indebtedness:	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service
	\$91,410,000	\$33,683,407	\$125,093,407

The total assessed valuation for the year 2023 of all taxable and personal property within the Municipality's boundaries is estimated at \$36,977,730,959.

Election Day



Tuesday, April 4, 2023

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- Elect seven assembly members and two school board members
- Vote areawide on five bond propositions, one special election bond proposition, one ballot proposition, three charter amendments
- Elect service area board members
- Qualified voters in certain service areas will vote on five propositions

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