

RESOLUTION

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Abbott Loop Community Council Resolution in Support of the proposed Spruce Hollow Subdivision and the use of the undeveloped adjacent Rights of Ways for a greenway development to contain a path or trail and the realignment of the area's drainage into this area.

WHEREAS, a presentation were made at the January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 General Membership Meeting, hosted on Zoom and in person, regarding Spinell Homes Inc.'s intention to realign an existing drainage into currently undeveloped Right of Ways for 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and Spruce Street, creating a "greenway" which would also contain a pedestrian pathway in conjunction with the development of a 21 lot Subdivision known as Spruce Hollow and platting case #S12763

WHEREAS, this proposal creates needed housing and aims to improve two unimproved Rights of Way, public land, into a park like setting that will contain area drainage that eventually ties into the North Fork of Little Campbell Creek along with a pedestrian pathway. This will make a formal connection between two parts of the neighborhood promoting non-motorized travel and recreational activities.

WHEREAS, the proposal is alignment with:

**Anchorage 2040 LUP:**

**LUP 8.2.** *Provide new and improved trails, greenbelts, and other pedestrian facilities as alternative travel ways connecting open spaces, neighborhoods, and centers.*

**Anchorage 2020:**

**Policy 50:** *Healthy, mature trees and forested areas shall be retained as much as possible.*

**Policy 65:** *Promote and encourage the identification and conservation of open spaces, including access to greenbelts, Chugach State Park, Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge, and Far North Bicentennial Park.*

**Policy 66:** *Fish, wildlife, and habitat protection methods shall be addresses in land use planning, design, and development processes.*

**Policy 67:** *Critical fish and wildlife habitats, high-value wetlands, and riparian corridors shall be protected as natural open spaces, wherever possible.*

**Policy 70:** *The ecological and drainage functions of Anchorage's aquatic resources shall be protected and where appropriate, restored.*

**Policy 80:** *Utilities shall be located and designed with balanced regard for the environment, energy conservation, reliability, visual impacts, natural hazard survivability, and cost.*

**Policy 86:** *Encourage public/private collaboration for acquisition, development, and maintenance of recreational spaces, parks, sports fields, public use facilities, and trails*

NOW, therefore Abbott Loop Community Council supports the proposal by Spinell Homes and Spruce Hollow Subdivision to improve and utilize the 72<sup>nd</sup> and Spruce Street Rights of Ways adjacent to the project to create a greenway with drainage and a pedestrian pathway.

Mover: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Passed this day, \_\_\_\_\_.