

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

TRAFFIC AND PARKING MANAGEMENT OF EVENTS AT WEST HIGH SCHOOL/ROMIG MIDDLE SCHOOL

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("Memorandum") is made and entered into effective 9/18/2014, by and between the Principals of West High School and Romig Middle School ("Principals") and the Turnagain Community Council ("Council").

WHEREAS, the Principals of West High School and Romig Middle School are allocated authority and responsibility by the Anchorage School District ("ASD") for the management and control of their respective schools in a responsible and safe manner;

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Urban Design Commission reviewed and approved the site plan for stadium and other ancillary improvements at the schools as indicated in their Resolution No. 2013-021 (approved July 19, 2013, and adopted September 11, 2013), attached to this Memorandum of Understanding;

WHEREAS, West High School and Romig Middle School are important to the nearby community and the Anchorage Bowl as a whole for student education as well as community arts, sports, and cultural events;

WHEREAS, AMC 2.40.020 recognizes that Community councils are intended to provide "the people a method by which they can work together for expression and discussion of their opinions, needs and desires in a manner that will have an impact on their community's development and services";

WHEREAS, AMC 2.40.040 recognizes Turnagain Community Council as representing the interests of the community in which West High School and Romig Middle School are located;

WHEREAS, AMC 40.050 provides for the Community councils to "Work with local government and other government entities...to accomplish district goals, including goals which may have an areawide impact;

WHEREAS, this Memorandum of Understanding provides a tool to recognize and formalize the understanding of a relationship between the Anchorage School District and the Council;

WHEREAS, the Principals desire to have an open and friendly relationship with residents of the nearby community;

WHEREAS, overall growth and improvement of facilities at West High School and Romig Middle School over many years on occasion generates parking demand and increased traffic on neighborhood streets;

WHEREAS, with the creation of new stadium seating, varsity football in particular may create high attendance at games, potentially increasing demand for parking and higher vehicular volumes on neighborhood streets;

WHEREAS, that traffic and parking may create undesirable effects in the adjacent residential community in the manner of on-street parking, large volumes of traffic, increased noise, and high speed traffic;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to have an understanding of actions that the Principals can take to reduce undesirable effects of traffic and parking demand to the community;


ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY UNDERSTOOD:

1. In order to provide access to the stadium from parking on the east side of the campus, the Principals agree to open exterior doors to the breezeway that connects West High School and Romig Middle School 30 minutes before large events, including but not limited to, varsity football games and immediately after such events.
2. Thirty minutes before and immediately after large stadium events, including but not limited to varsity football games, the ASD will open the access gate between Romig Middle School and the Dempsey Anderson Ice Arena property.
3. As a condition of the stadium facility use permit, parking control services within the campus boundaries shall be provided by the permittee for large events, including but not limited to varsity football games, starting 30 minutes before and immediately after such events.

TERM: This Memorandum is in effect for a period of two years upon signing by the Principals of West High School, Romig Middle School, and the President of the Turnagain Community Council. Upon completion of the term, the Principals and the Council agree to review the effectiveness of the agree actions above to determine whether; 1) they are necessary, 2) they should be modified, or 3) whether other actions should be taken to address neighborhood concerns. At the completion of that review, the Principals and Council shall mutually agree to either terminate the Memorandum or extend it for another two years, for which the review process shall be again instituted. If agreement cannot be reached between the parties, the conditions of the agreement in effect at that time shall continue as though agreed to by all parties.

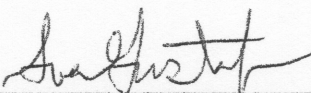
MISCELLANEOUS: Should an authority having jurisdiction, such as fire, police, etc., find that any of the agreed conditions are not lawful as constituted or are unachievable for economic or practical considerations, the Principals and the Council shall evaluate other means of achieving the desired results anticipated by this Memorandum. This Memorandum shall be updated and accordingly signed, as appropriate.

WEST HIGH SCHOOL

By: 
Rick Stone, Principal

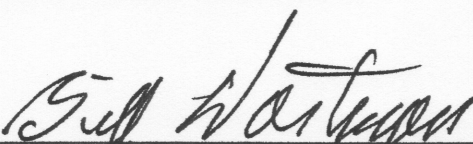
Date Signed 9/18/2014

ROMIG MIDDLE SCHOOL

By: 
Sven Gustafson, Principal

Date Signed 9/18/14

TURNAGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

By: 
Bill Wortman, President

Date Signed 9/18/2014