



**SUBJECT: INFORMING THE ASSEMBLY THE PALMER PIONEER CEMETERY AND THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ARE EXECUTING QUITCLAIM DEEDS TO CORRECT AND CLARIFY TITLE FOR THE PALMER PIONEER CEMETERY PROPERTY AND MATANUSKA RIVER PARK PROPERTY. (MSB008110)**

**AGENDA OF: May 21, 2024**

**ASSEMBLY ACTION:**

Presented to the Assembly 05/21/24 - *emw*

**AGENDA ACTION REQUESTED:** For information only.

Route To	Signatures
Originator	<div>4 / 3 0 / 2 0 2 4</div> <div>X      L i s a   G r a y</div> <div>Signed by: Lisa Gray</div>
Division Manager	<div> Recoverable Signature</div> <div>X      J o e   M e t z g e r</div> <div>Signed by: Joe Metzger</div>
Department Director	<div>5 / 7 / 2 0 2 4</div> <div>X      J i l l i a n   M o r r i s s e y</div> <div>Signed by: Jillian Morrissey</div>
Finance Director	<div>5 / 8 / 2 0 2 4</div> <div>X      C h e y e n n e   H e i n d e l</div> <div>Signed by: Cheyenne Heindel</div>
Borough Attorney	<div>5 / 9 / 2 0 2 4</div> <div>X      N i c h o l a s   S p i r o p o u l o s</div> <div>Signed by: Nicholas Spiropoulos</div>
Borough Manager	<div> Recoverable Signature</div> <div>X      M i c h a e l   B r o w n</div> <div>Signed by: Michael Brown</div>
Borough Clerk	<div>5 / 1 0 / 2 0 2 4</div> <div>X      E s t e l l e   W i e s e   f o r   L o n n i e   M c . . .</div> <div>Signed by: Estelle Wiese</div>

**ATTACHMENT (S) :** Aerial Map (1 pp)  
Ordinance Serial No. 85-89 (2 pp)

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

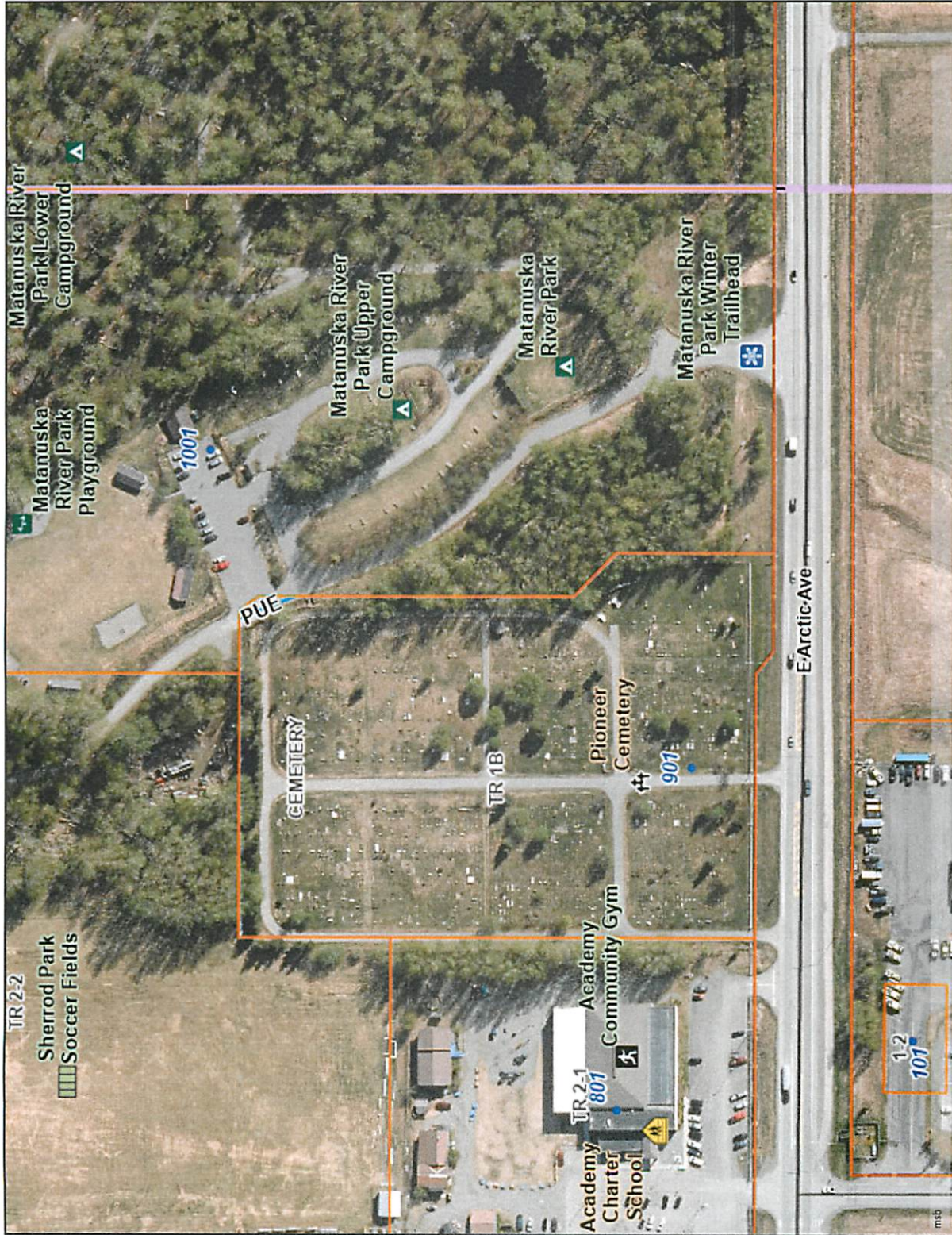
In 1985 the Borough Assembly approved Ordinance 85-89 authorizing the Borough Manager to execute a land exchange and the Borough transferred property for the expansion of the Palmer Pioneer Cemetery. The 1986 recorded quitclaim deed legal description that

transferred title from the Borough to the cemetery did not match the R.I.P Subdivision plat lot lines. Staff is informing the Assembly a corrected quitclaim deed will be recorded transferring any interest the Palmer Pioneer Cemetery, an Alaska nonprofit business has in Tract 1A, R.I.P Subdivision (tax account 53251000T001A) to the Borough, this property is the location of the Matanuska River Park. Furthermore, the Borough will transfer any interest in the cemetery known as Tract 1B, R.I.P Subdivision (tax account 53251000T001B) to the Palmer Pioneer Cemetery, an Alaska nonprofit business by quitclaim deed. This action will correct and clarify title to the park and cemetery.





# Matanuska-Susitna Borough



## Legend

- ParcelViewer
- Public Facilities
  - Cemetery
  - School
- Recreational Facilities
  - Campground
  - Gymnasium
  - Park/Campground
  - Playground
  - Soccer Fields
  - Trailhead (winter)
- Roads
  - Major Road
  - Medium Road
- Mat-Su Borough Boundary
- Incorporated Cities
- Address Numbers
- Parcels
- ROW and Easements

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## Notes

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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 85-89

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN EXCHANGE OF BOROUGH OWNED LAND FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PALMER.

WHEREAS, the Palmer Cemetery Association has requested lands for the expansion of the Palmer Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommended approval of a 55 year renewable lease to the Palmer Cemetery Association in Planning Commission Resolution #84-86; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is not empowered to issue such a lease for cemetery purposes; and

WHEREAS, an exchange of land between the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the City of Palmer will meet Borough Code requirements and provide the City of Palmer with a parcel usable by the Cemetery Association; and

WHEREAS, the Palmer City Council had no objections to the exchange when the City Manager presented the proposal at their July 23, 1985 meeting.

BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. Classification. This is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. Approval of an exchange of lands. The Assembly does hereby approve the exchange of and authorizes the Borough Manager to execute the conveyance of approximately 1.6 acres of Borough owned land adjacent to the existing Palmer Cemetery in exchange for approximately 7.0 acres of land owned by the City of Palmer described as :

Government Lot 3, Section 34, Township 18 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Third Judicial District, Palmer Recording District, State of Alaska.

subject to the combination of the property to be conveyed by the Borough with the existing cemetery through the platting process.

Section 3. Classification of Lands. The parcel to be conveyed to the City of Palmer shall be classified "Reserve - Use Lands".

Section 4. Findings. The Assembly finds that approval of this exchange is in the best interest of the Borough; and further, that the exchange will be beneficial to all parties involved and the public interest by facilitating fulfillment of community needs.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance becomes effective upon its adoption by the Borough Assembly and signature of the Borough Mayor.

Ord 85-89

IM No. 24-109

(Ordinance 85/City of Palmer  
exchange continued)

Introduction: 10-15-85  
First Reading: 10-15-85  
Public Hearing: 10-15-85

ADOPTED by the Assembly of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough this  
15th day of October, 1985.

ATTEST:

Chris Seagraves  
Chris Seagraves, Borough Clerk

Dorothy A. Jones  
Dorothy Jones, Borough Mayor

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

Gary Thurlow  
Gary Thurlow, Borough Manager

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