SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY PROVIDING A WAIVER OF LAND USE PERMIT FEES FOR THE WILLOW AREA TRAIL COMMITTEE.

## AGENDA OF:October 3, 2023

Assembly Action: Approved under the consent agenda 10/03/23 - BJH

AGENDA ACTION REQUESTED: Present to the Assembly for consideration.

Route To	Signatures					
Originator	9 / 1 9 / 2 0 2 3  X Gregg Pralle  Signed by: Greggory Pralle					
Department Director	9/19/2023 XEric Phillips Signed by: Eric Phillips					
Finance Director	5 / 1 9 / 2 0 2 3  Cheyenne Heindel  Signed by: Chevenne Heindel					
Borough Attorney	9 / 1 9 / 2 0 2 3  X Nicholas Spiropoulos  Signed by: Nicholas Spiropoulos					
Borough Manager	9 / 2 0 / 2 0 2 3  X Michael Brown Signed by: Michael Brown					
Borough Clerk	X					

ATTACHMENT(S): Fiscal Note: YES X NO Resolution Serial No. 23-101 (1 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT: A Non-Commercial Land Use Permit, consisting of a \$500 non-refundable application fee and \$500 annual charges, are applicable to the use or placement of structures on Borough owned land by private or non-profit entities. The Willow Area Trail Committee presented Land Management staff with a project at the Almond Lake Trail near Crystal Lake Road which involves placing a construction of a small parking lot designed to support six to eight cars. Currently the nearest parking area to this trail is at Newman Park approximately one mile away. This requires users to walk on the edge of a busy road or along a highly used ATV trail. Construction of this parking area will greatly increase the safety of users and lower the potential for ATV/pedestrian accident. Beyond

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this, the parking area will significantly contribute to enriching recreational opportunities for the community.

The Willow Area Trail Committee is a local non-profit volunteer organization that has been an invaluable partner in the development and maintenance of Willow area trails. They rely on community support, and their substantial volunteer contributions, totaling thousands of hours, has been instrumental in establishing the Willow Trail system as one of the premier trail systems in the mid borough benefiting both residents and visitors. The proposed parking area aligns with the ongoing commitment to improving and maintaining the area, ensuring its continued availability for both locals and visitors.

Waiving the Land Use Permit application fee and five (5) years of annual charges associated with the construction of this parking area is beneficial to the Borough and aligns seamlessly with the Borough's vision for community engagement, recreation, and growth.

**RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION:** Respectfully request approval.

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## MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH FISCAL NOTE

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FISCAL ACTION (TO BE COMPLETED BY FINANCE)			FISCAL IMPACT YES NO				
AMOUNT REQUESTED (\$3,000)			FUNDING SOURCE Land Use Permit fees				
FROM ACCOUNT #			PROJECT				
TO ACCOUNT: 203.000.000 3XX.XXX			PROJECT#				
VERIFIED BY:			CERTIFIED	CERTIFIED BY:			
9/19/2023 X Liesel Weiland							
Signed by: Liesel Weiland							
DATE: 9/19/23			DATE:				
EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thou			usands of Dollars)	sands of Dollars)			
OPERATING	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	
Personnel Services	$\overline{\perp}$						
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land/Structures							
Grants, Claims							
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING					<u> </u>		
CAPITAL							
REVENUE		(1 000)	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)	
FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)							
General Fund							
State/Federal Funds							
Other		(1.000)	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)	
TOTAL		(1 000)	(500)	(500)	(500)	(500)	
POSITIONS:		<u> </u>					
Full-Time							
Part-Time		+			1	<del>                                     </del>	
Temporary ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate pag	ge if necessary)			<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
PREPARED BY:	•/			PHONE:			
DEPARTMENT:		DATE:					
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APPROVED BY: X							
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