

NONCODE ORDINANCE

Sponsored By: Borough Manager

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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO.25-025**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATING MONIES FROM THE CENTRAL TREASURY FOR THE BOROUGH OPERATING FUNDS, ENTERPRISE FUNDS, EDUCATION OPERATING FUND AND CAPITAL FUNDS, ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF LEVY FOR ALL BOROUGH FUNCTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025 AND SETTING THE SURCHARGE RATE FOR THE WIRELINE AND WIRELESS ENHANCED 911 SYSTEMS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. Classification. This is a noncode ordinance and is enacted notwithstanding any limitation of Borough code.

Section 2. Severability. If any portion of this ordinance, or any application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Appropriation expenditure. There is hereby appropriated the following amounts to the funds indicated:

NO.	FUND TITLE	APPROPRIATION
100	Areawide General.....	67,952,106
200	Non-Areawide.....	5,781,900
202	Enhanced 911.....	1,887,261
203	Land Management.....	1,804,471
205	Opioid Settlement.....	717,054
245	Fleet Maintenance.....	1,312,440
247	Willow/Caswell Fire Service Area.....	1,122,037
249	West Lakes Fire Service Area.....	3,120,146
250	Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area.....	10,951,374
251	Butte Fire Service Area.....	764,353
253	Sutton Fire Service Area.....	249,514
254	Talkeetna Fire Service Area.....	601,616
259	Gr. Palmer Consol. Fire Service Area.....	1,468,466
265	Road Service Area: Administration.....	2,221,090
270	Midway Road Service Area.....	1,266,487
271	Fairview Road Service Area.....	1,195,684
272	Caswell Lakes Road Service Area.....	844,049
273	South Colony Road Service Area.....	2,215,090
274	Knik Road Service Area.....	3,834,128
275	Lazy Mountain Road Service Area.....	244,889
276	Greater Willow Road Service Area.....	987,108
277	Big Lake Road Service Area.....	2,146,006
278	North Colony Road Service Area.....	286,838
279	Bogard Road Service Area.....	2,092,392
280	Greater Butte Road Service Area.....	762,065
281	Meadow Lakes Road Service Area.....	2,031,493
282	Gold Trail Road Service Area.....	2,555,919
283	Gr. Talkeetna Road Service Area.....	867,712
284	Trapper Creek Road Service Area.....	282,294
285	Alpine Road Service Area.....	339,996
285	Jimmy's Drive Road Service Area.....	29,850
290	Talkeetna Flood Control.....	70,645
292	Point MacKenzie Service Area.....	83,300
293	Talkeetna Water/Sewer Service Area.....	963,034
295	Circle View/Stampede Estates E.C.S.A.	50,150
296	Chase Trail Service Area.....	54
300	Debt Service-Schools.....	23,836,989
301	Debt Service-USDA-Fronteras Charter School.....	393,300
316	Debt Service-Station 5-1.....	762,650
318	Debt Service-Station 6-2.....	496,250
319	Debt Service-Station 7-3.....	563,250
320	Debt Service-Parks & Recreation.....	1,511,750
330	Debt Service-Road Bonds.....	4,977,954

Subtotal - Borough Operating Funds155,645,154

510 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund.....12,660,802
520 Port Enterprise Fund.....2,155,810

Subtotal - Borough Enterprise Funds14,816,612

204 Education Operating.....281,601,752

Subtotal - Education Operating\$281,601,752

*** Areawide Capital Projects.....11,346,500
*** Areawide-Bridge & Railroad Crossing Major995,440
 Maintenance and Repair, 50% match RSA
 Construction, 50% Match Dust Control
*** Areawide-Tourism Infrastructure & MSCVB1,100,000
*** Areawide-Fish Passage Grant Match500,000
*** Areawide-Human Services Grant Match.....150,000
*** Areawide-City of Wasilla Planning Grant.....100,000
*** Areawide-City of Palmer Planning Grant.....300,000
*** Non-Areawide Capital Projects.....618,000
*** Land Management Capital Projects.....1,080,000
*** Willow/Caswell FSA Capital Projects865,000
*** West Lakes FSA Capital Projects.....615,000
*** Central Mat-Su FSA Capital Projects.....5,325,000
*** Butte Fire Capital Projects.....1,030,000
*** Road Service Administration Capital Projects...337,500
*** Midway RSA Capital Projects.....272,000
*** Fairview RSA Capital Projects.....192,000
*** South Colony RSA Capital Projects8,000
*** Lazy Mountain RSA Capital Projects55,000
*** Greater Willow RSA Capital Projects170,000
*** Big Lake RSA Capital Projects.....10,000
*** North Colony RSA Capital Projects2,000
*** Bogard RSA Capital Projects.....75,000
*** Greater Butte RSA Capital Projects.....330,000
*** Meadow Lakes RSA Capital Projects.....305,000
*** Greater Talkeetna RSA Capital Projects22,000
*** Trapper Creek RSA Capital Projects3,500
*** Talkeetna Water/Sewer Capital Projects25,000
*** Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Capital Projects .6,775,000
*** Port Enterprise Fund Capital Projects200,000

Subtotal - Borough Capital Projects32,806,940

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

\$484,870,458

Section 4. Additional Appropriation. The amount of \$370,000 is hereby appropriated from Knik Road Service Area No. 17 capital project no. 30040-6600 to the Fiscal Year 2025 Knik Road Service Area Operating Budget.

Section 5. Additional Appropriation. The amount of \$110,000 is hereby appropriated from Gold Trail Road Service Area No. 28 capital project no. 30048-2100 to the Fiscal Year 2026 Gold Trail Road Service Area Operating Budget.

Section 6. Additional Appropriation. The amount of \$25,530 is hereby appropriated from Greater Talkeetna Road Service Area No. 29 capital project no. 30049-2100 to the Fiscal Year 2026 Greater Talkeetna Road Service Area Operating Budget.

Section 7. Additional Appropriation. The amount of \$65,000 is hereby appropriated from Alpine Road Service Area No. 31 capital project no. 30051-2100 to the Fiscal Year 2026 Alpine Road Service Area Operating Budget.

Section 8. Additional Appropriation. The amount of \$1,030,000 is hereby appropriated from the Land Management Permanent Fund to the Fiscal Year 2026 Land Management Operating Fund Budget to fund the Jonesville Mine Public Use Area Capital Project (\$500,000) and the Big Lake Recreation Center and Adjacent Parking lot purchase (\$530,000).

Section 9. Appropriation for accrued wages payable. There is hereby appropriated an additional sum of \$250,000 into an account

within the areawide fund, \$20,000 into an account within the non-areawide fund and \$10,000 into an account within the Land Management Fund to cover the estimated amount accrued for wages and benefits as of June 30, 2026 and upon payment of accrued liability within the areawide, nonareawide and land management funds and to set up this liability to comply within generally accepted accounting principles. Said funds are to be expended only in the event that payouts will cause a shortfall in those amounts included in Section 3 for operational purposes.

Section 10. Appropriation for insurance. There is hereby appropriated \$1,000,000 into an account within the areawide fund and \$100,000 into an account within the nonareawide fund for insurance reserves to provide for self-insurance retention costs as well as unforeseen premium adjustments and losses in fiscal year 2026.

Section 11. Appropriation for major repairs and renovations. There is hereby appropriated sum of \$1,000,000 into a reserve account within the areawide fund and \$250,000 into a reserve account within the nonareawide fund for major repairs and renovation projects. Said funds are to be expended only upon assembly approval of qualified projects.

Section 12. Appropriation for capital reserve. There is hereby appropriated a sum of \$200,000 into a reserve account within the nonareawide fund to cover one-time capital expenditures or

site acquisition costs. Said funds are to be expended only upon assembly approval of specific projects.

Section 13. Appropriation for reservation of fund balance.

There is hereby appropriated an additional sum of \$25,000,000 into a reserve account within the areawide fund which requires a minimum reserve amount of \$25,000,000 for the fiscal year 2026 budget.

Section 14. Appropriation for reimbursement to Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area. There is hereby appropriated an amount of \$129,785 to reimburse Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area for a building purchase.

Section 15. Appropriation for NPI Settlement. There is hereby appropriated an amount of \$87,707 for the Port Enterprise Fund to pay the phase II settlement amount projected to be due in fiscal year 2026.

Section 16. Lapse of balances. All unexpended appropriation balances, with the exception of capital fund appropriations, shall lapse to the appropriate fund as of June 30, 2026. Capital fund appropriations, with the exception of road service area appropriations, shall revert back to the originating fund once the project has been completed or 36 months whichever is sooner. Capital appropriations for Road Service Areas revert back to the originating fund once the project is completed.

Section 17. Tax levies. The rates of tax levy on each dollar of assessed valuation of taxable property are hereby fixed at the following amounts in mills per each dollar of taxable property:

TAX FUND	
Areawide	8.485
Non-Areawide	0.371
Butte Fire Service Area No. 2	2.830
Sutton Fire Service Area No. 4	4.043
Talkeetna Flood Control No. 7	1.500
Midway Road Service Area No. 9	1.817
Fairview Road Service Area No. 14	1.516
Caswell Lakes Road Service Area No. 15	4.000
South Colony Road Service Area No. 16	1.278
Knik Road Service Area No. 17	2.161
Lazy Mountain Road Service Area No. 19	2.316
Greater Willow Road Service Area No. 20	3.362
Big Lake Road Service Area No. 21	2.987
North Colony Road Service Area No. 23	4.244
Talkeetna Fire Service Area No. 24	2.846
Bogard Road Service Area No. 25	1.399
Greater Butte Road Service Area No. 26	2.767
Meadow Lakes Road Service Area No. 27	2.714
Gold Trails Road Service Area No. 28	1.703
Gr. Talkeetna Road Service Area No. 29	3.039
Trapper Creek Road Service Area No. 30	4.266
Alpine Road Service Area No. 31	3.382
Jimmy's Drive Service Area	5.030
Point MacKenzie Service Area No. 69	9.500
Central Mat-Su FSA No. 130	1.780
Circle View/Stampede Estates	2.364
Erosion Control Service Area No. 131	
Gr. Palmer Consolidated FSA No. 132	0.850
West Lakes Fire Service Area No. 136	1.946
Willow/Caswell Fire Service Area No. 140	2.637
Palmer, City of	3.000
Wasilla, City of	0.000
Houston, City of	3.000

Section 18. E-911 surcharge for July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026. The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly finds it in the best interest of the Borough and its cities to support and

improve Enhanced 911 services in the Borough, and for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026 shall set the E-911 surcharge rate at \$1 per wireline and per wireless telephone numbers that are billed or sold to a customer with an address within the Borough, and all funds collected shall be held in a separate fund subject to the appropriation of the Assembly.

Section 19. Deficit adjustment, service areas. If the revenue collected for any service area amounts to less than the amount appropriated for that service area, the deficit shall be made up to the Borough's general fund from the following year's revenue of that service area.

Section 20. Interest income, service areas. Interest income collected for any service area shall be allocated to that service area.

Section 21. Revenue deficiencies. In the event that total revenue from sources other than local support for any function is received in an amount less than the amount estimated in the budget document, the appropriation for such function is reduced a corresponding amount.

Section 22. Approval of permanent positions. The total number of permanent full-time equivalent positions are approved for the fiscal year with the adoption of this budget. The Borough Manager may assign or reclassify permanent positions within departments as need is determined.

Section 23. Due dates of taxes, general government, and service areas. The above taxes are due and payable August 15, 2025, for the first installment, and February 17, 2026, for the second installment, provided that all tax bills of \$50 or less shall be paid in one installment. Penalty and interest shall be applied on all unpaid first installment taxes on August 16, 2025. Penalty and interest on second installment will be applied on February 18, 2026.

Section 24. Effective date. Ordinance Serial No. 25-025 shall take effect upon adoption by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 13 day of May 2025.


EDNA DeVRIES, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk
(SEAL)

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Hale, Nowers, McKee, Sumner, Gamble, Fonov, and Bernier