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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION SETTING POLICY CONCERNING THE COMMERCIAL USE OF CITY LAND REGULATED BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau is fortunate to own lands located in areas of great scenic beauty, and

WHEREAS, municipal staff and citizen volunteers have developed some of these public areas for casual trail use, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly contemplated that those lands designated by Ordinance 85-76am be preserved for the purpose of inclusion in the Juneau Open Space and Park System, and that these lands would become subject to regulations issued by the Parks and Recreation Department upon a finding by the Manager or his designee that circumstances so warrant, and

WHEREAS, the increasing use of public lands by commercial operators warrants some assurance from the Assembly that such use is permitted, and

WHEREAS, some of the proposed uses will require that areas be improved and the trail surfaces upgraded to accommodate higher numbers of users, and

WHEREAS other modifications will be needed to address safety, traffic and other issues which arise from commercial uses, and

WHEREAS, the fee for commercial use should be determined according to Assembly policy regarding city and borough cost recovery, as well as addressing other goals for which fees can be collected, and

WHEREAS, management practices for the trail areas should likewise be established in accord with Assembly policy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

1. The policy of the City and Borough of Juneau concerning the commercial use of city land regulated by the Parks and Recreation Department is to:

(a) Maintain and improve parks, recreation areas and trails for their primary use by the public, to include visitors and residents alike, for parks, recreation areas and trails and preserve them from activities inconsistent with that primary use.

(b) Preserve and maintain these public assets for all users, preserve the recreational experience unique to each area, consider impacts upon other users and neighboring property, and insure public safety on city lands.

(c) Establish rules to minimize environmental damage and mitigate impacts from the commercial use of parks and open spaces, and trails.

(d) Charge for commercial use of parks, trails, open spaces and recreational facilities at a fair rate which reflects the cost of providing any improvements, maintenance, services, and administration necessary for the use.

(e) Establish and enforce uniform rules for commercial use of city and borough parks and open spaces, trails and recreational facilities.

2. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 3rd day of April, 1995.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk