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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 1006

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON AREAWIDE POLICE.

WHEREAS, over the past years, the City and Borough of Juneau has suffered an intolerable increase in the rate and severity of crime, and

WHEREAS, police protection for much of the city and borough has been, and is currently being provided by the Alaska State Troopers, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Troopers have consistently provided dedicated service to the people of Juneau, and

WHEREAS, many of the areas served by the Alaska State Troopers have and will continue to experience substantial population growth, and

WHEREAS, threatened reductions in Alaska State Trooper coverage for Juneau because of budget constraints or possible assumption of areawide police protection would have a deleterious impact on the level of public safety in our community, and

WHEREAS, over the years, the people of Juneau have debated the desirability of areawide police protection, and

WHEREAS, that debate has raised hard questions regarding the efficiency and cost of a continued division of police responsibilities in the city and borough, and

WHEREAS, particularly in light of recent and projected large population increases in areas served by the Alaska State Troopers, it is in the public interest that the issue of areawide police protection be submitted for evaluation to a special advisory committee with the necessary background and expertise

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

1. There is established the Special Advisory Committee on Areawide Police.

2. The committee shall consist of nine members, including a chair and co-chair, appointed by the assembly. A majority of the committee shall reside in areas currently served by the Alaska State Troopers, and at least three members of the committee shall have a substantial law enforcement background.

3. The members shall serve until April 27, 1984 unless the committee is sooner discharged by the assembly or unless the assembly, by motion, extends that date.

4. The committee shall, on or before April 20, 1984, prepare, and submit for consideration to the assembly, a detailed report which shall include the following components:

(a) an evaluation of the cost of providing areawide police protection, including the impact upon millage rates in the various service areas of the city and borough. This evaluation shall include an estimate of capital and other facilities necessary to provide areawide police protection, personnel and equipment requirements and the possibility of state or federal funding. The evaluation shall be based on population growth estimates of the city and borough as they are available to the committee, and

(b) an evaluation of the benefits and disadvantages of areawide police protection in terms of relative efficiency, responsiveness and accountability.

5. At two-week intervals, and at least one day prior to the next scheduled regular assembly meeting, the committee shall transmit to the assembly a biweekly report of its progress. The initial biweekly report of the committee shall be transmitted to the assembly no later than February 15, 1984.

6. The committee shall, upon at least 14 days notice, hold at least one public hearing. The committee shall meet at such places and times as it deems appropriate for the timely discharge of its duties. All meetings of the committee shall be open to the public.

7. The committee shall cause a journal of its proceedings to be kept which shall be a public record.

8. The committee shall submit for assembly action any budget request which it finds necessary or appropriate. The committee is authorized to expend funds only in accordance with prior assembly appropriation.

9. Staff support for the committee may be provided by the attorney for legal matters, by the finance department for fiscal matters, by

the police department for matters within the department's expertise and authority, and by the manager for such other assistance and support as is necessary.


10. Because of the need to address the issues that are subject to this resolution as rapidly as possible, and notwithstanding the requirements of Resolution Serial No. 282, as amended by Resolution Serial No. 333, appointments to the committee may be made immediately upon adoption of this resolution.

Adopted this 19th day of January, 1984.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk