



Municipality of Anchorage

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Acting Mayor Matt Claman

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Dear Reader:

Attached is the Public Hearing Draft of the Hillside District Plan. The Anchorage Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on the draft plan on **Monday, June 15, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers of the Z.J. Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street.**

The Hillside District Plan (HDP) is sponsored by the Municipality of Anchorage with the goal of establishing sound public policy that reflects the vision of residents and landowners for future Hillside growth. The plan addresses specific issues such as residential densities, onsite and public water and wastewater service, drainage, roads, trails, environmental quality and open space. The plan provides more specificity for land use and public services on the Hillside as directed by the Anchorage 2020—Anchorage Bowl Comprehensive Plan and it replaces the Hillside Wastewater Management Plan.

For a short, five-point summary of the plan, see the last section of the Introduction Chapter (pages 1-21, 1-22).

This Public Hearing Draft represents the culmination of over two years of hard work, and the give-and-take between hundreds of people and many different viewpoints. This includes work by the municipal staff and project consultants, the Hillside Community Advisory Committee (CAC), and a wide range of Hillside residents. The process has included over 30 CAC meetings and three sets of community workshops. This current draft reflects the many public and agency comments that were received on the fall 2008 Public Review Draft.

The Municipality and the Planning Team want to hear your views on this revised draft plan. **Comments are due by June 15, 2009.** Public Hearing Draft comments may be submitted in any of the following ways: (1) mail to the Planning Department, Municipality of Anchorage, P.O. Box 196650, Anchorage, Alaska 99519-6650; (2) fax to 343-7927; (3) hand deliver to the Planning Department in the Planning and Development Center at 4700 Elmore Road, Anchorage; (4) submit through the Planning Department's *Cases Online* website at <http://munimaps.muni.org/planning/home3.htm>, and insert the case number; or (5) provide testimony in person at the meeting. **To be included in the staff packet delivered to the Commission before the meeting, comments need to be submitted to the Planning Department by noon, Thursday, June 4, 2009.** Please contact the Planning Department at 343-7921 if you have questions regarding the Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing.

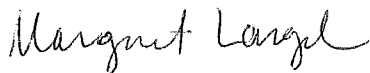
Additional information, including reports containing helpful background information on the plan, is available on the project website: www.hillsidedistrictplan.com.

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After the Planning and Zoning Commission Public Hearing on June 15, an "Issue Response" document will be prepared for the Planning and Zoning Commission. This will summarize comments received on the draft plan and the Municipality's position on those issues. At a subsequent meeting, the Planning and Zoning Commission will take action on the plan in the form of a recommendation. The Commission's recommendation will be forwarded to the Assembly with the Public Hearing Draft Hillside District Plan for a public hearing and consideration for adoption.

Thank you for your interest and active participation in creating and refining the Hillside District Plan.

Sincerely,



for Kristi Bischofberger*

*On behalf of the Municipal members of the HDP Oversight Committee: the Departments of Project Management and Engineering, Traffic, Planning, and Development Services/Onsite Water and Wastewater, and the Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (AWWU)