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Public Hearing: October 7, 2024

Action: *Adopted*

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 24-28**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION  
RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR (FY)2026 CAPITAL  
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

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WHEREAS, the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is a program managed by the Borough's Planning Division designed to solicit, prioritize, and recommend community and Borough department nominations for public infrastructure projects on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the CIP provides the Assembly with a prioritized list of community-supported infrastructure projects for consideration during annual Borough budget deliberations; and

WHEREAS, the CIP provides the Assembly with a vetted list of community infrastructure and public facility projects to be included in the annual state and federal legislative priorities list; and

WHEREAS, the CIP is a budget planning tool used by governments to plan for annual investments necessary to build important public infrastructure over a six-year budget period; and

WHEREAS, in the 2023 Strategic Plan, the Assembly identified three Focus Areas: Economic Growth and Diversification, Delivering High Quality Services, and Managing Growth; and

WHEREAS, under the Managing Growth focus area, identifying and documenting needed public infrastructure and to support its development was called out as a strategy under Economic Growth and Diversification focus area, the CIP is a tool that assists with the implementation of the MSB 2023-2028 Strategic Plan focus area goals; and

WHEREAS, investment in community infrastructure is a function of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough government and supports residents' quality of life, recreation opportunities, tourism, and the economy; and

WHEREAS, the FY26 CIP valid nominations included twenty-three (23) projects; and

WHEREAS, the twelve (12) top-ranked projects being presented for FY26 CIP include:

- 1) Hollywood Road Pedestrian Pathway
- 2) Jordan Lake Park
- 3) Kenlar Road, Hawk Lane, and the Parks Highway Bike Lane
- 4) Whigmi Road Restroom
- 5) Jim Creek Campground Expansion

- 6) Beaver Lake Road Pedestrian and Bike Pathway
- 7) GPRA Pioneer Loop Expansion and Bridge
- 8) Government Peak Traverse
- 9) Lion Head Trail Construction
- 10) Alcantra Ball Field Renovation
- 11) Jim Creek Campground Electric and Water Upgrades
- 12) GPRA Chalet Improvements

These 12 projects, if approved, will make up the FY26 CIP project list; and


WHEREAS, MSB code 03.04.060 requires that the Borough Manager submit a Capital Improvement Program to the Planning Commission for review and comment annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby recommends to the Assembly the adoption of the FY26 Capital Improvement Program project list.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the MSB Planning Commission hereby recommends that the MSB Assembly allocate or seek funding to support the construction or advancement of projects identified in the FY26 Capital Improvement Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the MSB Planning Commission recommends the two additional shooting fields for the 7<sup>th</sup> Summit Shooting Park be moved to number nine on the priority list.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this 7 day of October, 2024.

  
CJ KOAN, CHAIR

ATTEST:

 10/7/24  
LACIE OLIVIERI, PLANNING CLERK

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