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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. PC 19-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING THE ASSEMBLY APPROVE AN UPDATE TO THE BOROUGHWIDE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Comprehensive plan was last amended in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the borough has experienced significant changes in demographics and economics, as well as major transportation and land use challenges since the plan was amended; and

WHEREAS, the 2005 plan shows an estimated population of 75,000, and the 2017 population estimate for the borough is 104,166; and

WHEREAS, increased population and the resulting housing and infrastructure needs has placed a burden on the existing transportation system and other public facilities; and

WHEREAS, many of the goals and policies in the 2005 comprehensive plan have been instrumental in identifying acceptable land use regulations and infrastructure needs, however, an update is necessary to revisit those goals and policies; and

WHEREAS, the 2005 comprehensive plan recommends that the plan should be updated at least every 7 years; and

WHEREAS, the borough constantly faces the challenge of

maintaining existing staff and services, while accommodating increasing community needs; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission has adopted Resolution 18-04 recommending the creation of a revised comprehensive planning process, to reduce the time needed to amend or create new comprehensive plans and to utilize planning staff in the most efficient manner possible; and

WHEREAS, a new comprehensive planning effort is an excellent opportunity to identify different options on how to be more efficient in the planning process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby requests assembly support of an update to the 2005 MSB Comprehensive Plan.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this $21^{\rm st}$ day of January, 2019.

COLLEEN VAGUE, Chair

ATTEST

MARY BRODIGAN, Planning Clerk

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