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MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 23-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 17.30 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR EARTH MATERIALS EXTRACTION ACTIVITIES TO ALLOW FOR AN EXEMPTION OF 10,000 CUBIC YARDS ANNUALLY WITHOUT A PERMIT.

WHEREAS, MSB 17.30 regulates earth materials extraction activities within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, currently, extraction of 2,000 cubic yards or less annually on any one parcel does not require an administrative or conditional use permit; and

WHEREAS, the annual exemption limit of 2,000 cubic yards is too low; and

WHEREAS, raising the exemption limit will allow citizens and owners of gravel resources to use and develop the resource without unnecessary regulation and expense; and

WHEREAS, resource development is one of the primary activities in the State of Alaska and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough should be encouraging development and use of our natural resources; and

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WHEREAS, by lowering costs of development, materials prices will be lower which will benefit everyone in our community as we continue to experience the highest population growth rate in Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby recommends approval of Assembly Ordinance 22-131.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this 6th day of February, 2023.

ATTEST

Planning Clerk

(SEAL)

NO: (3) Commissioner Rubeo, Scoggin, Glenn, Kendig & Koan No: (3) Commissioner Allen & Fernandez