

Introduced by: Council Member Chad Roberts
Mayor Terry Strle
Hand Carried: September 22, 2008

RESOLUTION NO. 4341, As Amended

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY DELAY ANY DESIGNATION OF THE FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH AS A PM 2.5 NON-ATTAINMENT AREA FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks, within the Fairbanks North Star Borough, will be negatively impacted by any EPA designation as a twenty-four hour PM 2.5 non-attainment area designation; and

WHEREAS the City of Fairbanks is a member of the Fairbanks Metropolitan Area Transportation System which also supports a one year extension and is in an ongoing cooperative planning effort between the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Department of Environmental Conservation, the Fairbanks North Star Borough and the Cities of Fairbanks and North Pole; and

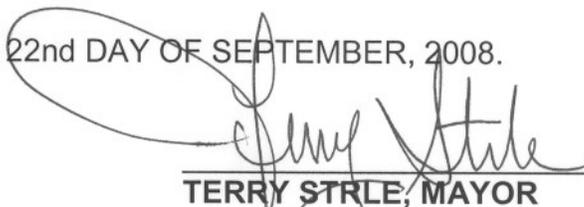
WHEREAS, data from this past winter's monitoring effort suggests that some changes to the state proposed boundary may be warranted, but not to the extent that EPA proposed; setting an overly large boundary without meaningful data may undermine public support for compliance; and

WHEREAS, there will continue to be monitoring by the Fairbanks North Star Borough to acquire accurate information during the winter of 2008,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks as follows:

1. That the EPA is requested to delay implementation of new PM 2.5 designation for at least one year, and
2. That, if such a designation is made, the boundaries should be appropriate based on sound scientific evidence.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 22nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008.

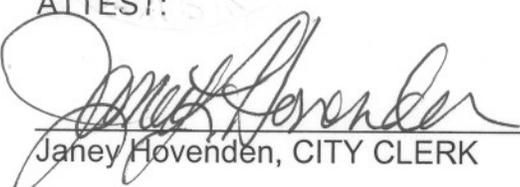

TERRY STRLE, MAYOR

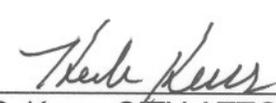
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NAYS:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Janey Hovenden, CITY CLERK


Herbert P. Kuss, CITY ATTORNEY