



# Eklutna Valley Community Council

## RESOLUTION 2011-01

### **A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE MUNICIPALITY ACQUIRE THE WALLACE BROTHERS MOUNTAIN SUBDIVISION FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES IF THE PROPERTY CAN BE MANAGED BY CHUGACH STATE PARK UNDER A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

WHEREAS, the owners of the Wallace Brothers Mountain Subdivision have offered to sell the property to the Municipality of Anchorage for recreational use, and

WHEREAS, the municipal Parks and Recreation department has tentatively agreed to consider the offer if it can be purchased with a Capital Improvement Program grant from the State of Alaska, and

WHEREAS, the municipal Parks and Recreation department also stipulated that the property be developed, maintained, and operated by Chugach State Park, and

WHEREAS, Chugach State Park has no easily accessible alpine terrain in the Eagle River/Chugiak area comparable to Glen Alps trailhead in south Anchorage, and

WHEREAS, the existing trailhead at the end of Skyline Drive ends at the Wallace Brothers property gate, public demand far exceeds the limited available parking, and adjacent public property is too steep to easily provide more parking, and

WHEREAS, acquiring the property would provide excellent access to Chugach State Park, with lots of room for parking, and

WHEREAS, the property is suitable for a wide range of recreational activities, and

WHEREAS, the property should be retained for the future use of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this community council recommends that the Municipality of Anchorage request a Capital Improvement Program grant to purchase the property contingent on developing a suitable Memorandum of Understanding with the Alaska Division of Parks and Recreation providing for development, maintenance, and operation of the property for the benefit of our community and the State of Alaska.

Passed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011

*Rick Sinnott*  
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