

Non-Code Ordinance

By: Administration
Introduced: June 13, 2022
Public Hearing: June 27, 2022
Failed: June 27, 2022

Yes: None
No: Brown, Graham, Johnson, Rubeo, Sullivan-Leonard, Velock
Absent: None

**City of Wasilla
Ordinance Serial No. 22-24**

An Ordinance Of The Wasilla City Council Amending The Fiscal Year 2022 Budget By Appropriating \$300,000 From The General Fund, Fund Balance To Support The Operations Of Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc., My House Youth Center, And Vista Rose Senior Housing.

Section 1. Classification. This is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. Purpose. To amend the fiscal year 2022 budget by appropriating \$300,000 from the general fund, fund balance to support the operations of Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc., My House Youth Center, and Vista Rose Senior Housing.

Section 3. Appropriation of Funds. The funds are appropriated to the following:

Pass Thru to Nonprofit/Wasilla Area Seniors

001-4990-499.97-01 \$100,000

Pass Thru to Nonprofit/My House

001-4990-499.97-03 \$100,000

Pass Thru to Nonprofit/Vista Rose

001-4990-499.97-04 \$100,000

Section 4. Source of Funds.

General Fund, Fund Balance 001-0000-253.10-00 \$300,000

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

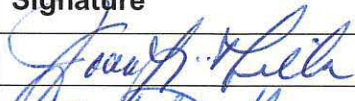


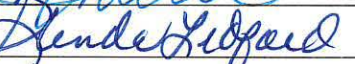
FAILED by the Wasilla City Council on June 27, 2022.

City of Wasilla
Legislative Staff Report
Ordinance Serial No. 22-24
(Non-Code Ordinance)

Amending The Fiscal Year 2022 Budget By Appropriating \$300,000 From The General Fund, Fund Balance To Support The Operations Of Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc., My House Youth Center, And Vista Rose Senior Housing.

Originator: Mayor Glenda D. Ledford
Date: 6/1/2022

Agenda of: 6/13/2022

Route to:	Department Head	Signature	Date
X	Finance Director		4/3/22
X	Deputy Administrator		6/3/22
X	City Clerk		6/6/2022
X	Mayor		6-6-22

Fiscal Impact: yes or no

Funds Available: yes or no

Account name/number:

Pass Thru to Nonprofit/Wasilla Area Seniors	001-4990-499.97-01	\$100,000
Pass Thru to Nonprofit/My House	001-4990-499.97-03	\$100,000
Pass Thru to Nonprofit/Vista Rose	001-4990-499.97-04	\$100,000
		Total: \$300,000

Attachments: Ordinance Serial No. 22-24 (2 pages)
Letter of Support from My House (1 page)
Letter of Support from Valley Residential Services (1 page)
Letter of Support from Wasilla Area Seniors Inc. (1 page)

Summary Statement: This ordinance is proposed to amend the fiscal year 2022 budget by appropriating \$300,000 from the general fund, fund balance to support operations of Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc., My House Youth Center, and Vista Rose Senior Housing.

Proposed Action: Introduce and set the Ordinance for public hearing.



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5/19/2022

Job Training Programs



Board of Directors:

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Rebecca Ling, **Member**
Vicki Otte, **Member**

Dear Honorable Mayor Glenda Ledford and Wasilla City Council,

Please consider this a letter of request for funding to support of our job training programs. Since Summer of 2013, we have been operating a drop-in center for homeless youth in downtown Wasilla with great success. The one aspect that we find it challenging to find funding for is the actual job training on-site. We spend upwards of \$120,000 a year funding the training that makes youth employable in both food service and retail sales, the two biggest tax revenue generators for the City. We are literally training entry level employees that support businesses in the City of Wasilla tax base, and intentionally!

In the wake of Covid, we are seeing higher drop-out rates for youth and many are starting to come in and seek high school completion as their friends are graduating high school. We have Nine Star right here offering that service. While they are completing their education we can offer them a paid internship for either Café/Barista training or retail sales in the Boutique. This keeps them busy and focused on productive tasks rather than dealing dope at the Skate Park.

We have a total of 453 clients with an average of 100 different youth a week coming and going. Since March of 2020, 100% of the clients who have completed training with us are working! It's such a great time for youth getting into jobs and learning to work, with many jobs available and our training it is a win-win.

If you could help us with funding it would help us to continue to effectively train the homeless and at-risk youth in our community. We would be so grateful for your support,

Michelle Overstreet, Founder and CEO of MY House



Valley Residential Services (VRS)

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May 6, 2022

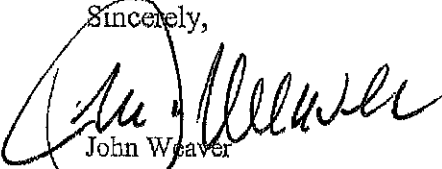
City of Wasilla
Office of the Mayor
290 E Hering Ave
Wasilla, Ak 99654-7091

Dear Mayor Ledford and Distinguished City Council Members:

Valley Residential Services, Inc (VRS) would like to improve the safety and accessibility of our property for senior residents at Vista Rose Senior Housing located at 1240 and 1250 N. Lucille Street, Wasilla, AK. We plan to utilize the funding along with augment funds for potential capital improvement projects including but not limited to adding accessible push buttons to doors within the buildings that improve access to the full facility. Funds may also be used to relocate the postal mailboxes that are currently outdoors, into the community room that would provide senior tenants safe access to their mail without going outside in the winter months. Funding may also be utilized toward the purchase and installation of sidewalk coverings for existing walkways, for safer passage to their vehicles and the community gardening area. VRS believes these items would provide our senior tenants a better quality of life while improving the safety of the property for our senior residents.

Valley Residential Services, Inc (VRS) would like to request that the City of Wasilla award \$100,000 in funding for improvement to the Vista Rose Senior Apartments property to ensure our seniors are able to live independently as possible for as long as possible at home. While also giving the senior tenants a feeling of safety to move around the property in the winter months.

Sincerely,


John Weaver
President and CEO





WASILLA AREA SENIORS INC.

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April 18, 2022

City of Wasilla
Office of the Mayor
290 E. Herning Ave.
Wasilla, AK 99654-7091

Dear Mayor Ledford and Distinguished City Council Members:

As more seniors feel comfortable being around groups our lunchroom is rapidly filling up with seniors that are coming to WASI to enjoy a nutritional meal. As you may know there are many benefits to our congregate meal program, for example: hunger relief, food security through consistent availability of nutritious meals; reduced isolation through increased socialization; maintained or increased health and well-being through proper nutrition and socialization opportunities; and avoidance of premature institutionalization due to fewer adverse health conditions.

We are seeing a steady increase of meals in all our programs including our Congregate Meal Program (meals served at the senior center) based on our March numbers we will be serving around 2,300 Congregate Meals and 450 To-Go meals per month. We anticipate that these numbers will continue to grow as people's COVID reluctance eases and when COVID is no longer considered a public emergency. Our average cost per meal for Jan-Mar of 2022 was \$9.38 = \$25,795 per month or \$309,540. Despite our recent cost cutting measures, this figure is forecast to rise even more with the recent spike in fuel costs and related goods.

Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc. (WASI) would like to formally request that the City of Wasilla award \$100,000 funding for the Nutrition Program Congregate Meals, this will help us meet the higher demand of meals and the historic inflation impacting the program and the vulnerable demographic it serves.

The proposed funding from the City of Wasilla would greatly help us in carrying out our mission of *helping seniors to live as independently as possible for as long as possible*. Thank you for your dedication to serving the people of our community.

Sincerely,

James Drayton
Chief Executive Officer
Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc.

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