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WASILLA CITY COUNCIL ACTION MEMORANDUM

AM No. 10-07

TITLE: DIRECTING THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON POTENTIAL SITES FOR A FIRING RANGE.

Agenda of: February 22, 2010

Date: February 2, 2010

Originator: Council Member Dianne Woodruff

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Route to:	Department	Signature/Date
X	Recreational and Cultural Services Manager	<i>[Signature]</i>
X	Finance Director	<i>[Signature]</i> 2/9/10
X	Deputy Administrator	—
X	City Clerk	<i>Kornitz</i>

REVIEWED BY MAYOR VERNE E. RUPRIGHT: _____

FISCAL IMPACT: yes or no

Funds Available yes no

Account name/number:

Attachments:

SUMMARY STATEMENT: Over the past year there has been much discussion on the City possibly opening a public firing range.

WMC 2.64.010(B) states that the purpose of the Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) is to advise the City on matters pertaining to parks and recreation facilities. According to Webster's Dictionary, "recreation facility" is defined as a public facility for recreation. "Recreation" is further defined as a pastime, diversion, exercise, or other resource affording relaxation and enjoyment. In the past discussion regarding a firing range has been that it will be for the public's use, and thus meeting the definition of a recreation facility.

WMC 2.64.010(C)(1) states that the Commission shall coordinate with, and obtain approval of the Planning Commission on site locations and general development plans for parks and recreation facilities. Furthermore, WMC 2.64.010(C)(2) states that the Commission shall recommend to the Council proposals for general and specific

development of parks and recreation facilities and programs. Thus, it is being respectfully requested at this time that the Parks and Recreation Commission hold a public hearing on firing ranges within the City of Wasilla and make recommendations regarding:

- Appropriate locations;
- Buffering;
- Incorporation of suggestions from potential range users;
- Fiscal issues;
- Acceptable noise levels; and
- Any other matters they deem pertinent.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopting AM No. 10-07, thereby directing the Parks and Recreation Commission to hold an advertised public meeting on the subject of a firing range within the City of Wasilla and to report back their findings in a resolution to the Planning Commission.