

**CITY OF WASILLA  
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 11-11**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL REPEALING THE 1996 CITY OF WASILLA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED (ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 96-06); AND ADOPTING THE 2011 CITY OF WASILLA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, INCLUDING INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE THE 1999 TRAILS PLAN (ADOPTED IN ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 98-58) AND THE ALL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN PHASE I – NATURAL HAZARDS (ADOPTED IN ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 05-32) .**

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WHEREAS, the City of Wasilla has been considering an update to the City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan dated April 1996, as amended since May 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City employed qualified planning consultants to assist the Wasilla Planning Commission and staff in the process of revising the Comprehensive Plan through a number of public workshops and discussions held periodically at regular Planning Commission meetings and workshops since the beginning of the planning process; and

WHEREAS, comments received through the public process have been incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan, to the greatest extent possible so that it is representative of the needs, wishes, and desires of the City residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Wasilla City Council, after due consideration of the proposed Comprehensive Plan, public testimony, and other pertinent information brought before them, hereby approves repealing the 1996 City of

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Wasilla Comprehensive Plan and adopts the 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit A, and also incorporates by reference the 1999 Trails Plan (adopted in Ordinance Serial No. 98-58) and the All Hazard Mitigation Plan Phase I – Natural Hazards (adopted in Ordinance Serial No. 05-32).

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

**Section 2. Purpose.** To replace the regulatory framework for land use and development in the City of Wasilla with a new, revised comprehensive plan that is responsive and convenient for the City residents.

**Section 3. Repeal of 1996 Comprehensive Plan.** The 1996 Comprehensive Plan (adopted in Ordinance Serial No. 96-06), as amended is hereby repealed with the exception of the amendment to adopt the 1999 Trails Plan (Ordinance Serial No. 98-58) and the All Hazard Mitigation Plan Phase I – Natural Hazards (Ordinance Serial No. 05-32), which are incorporated into the new comprehensive plan by reference.

**Section 4. Adoption of 2011 Comprehensive Plan.** The 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan, as contained in Exhibit A of this ordinance, is hereby adopted.

**Section 5. Submission to Matanuska-Susitna Borough.** The Mayor shall submit the 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan in this ordinance to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough for approval by the Borough Planning Commission and Assembly as required by AS 29.40.010(b) and MSB 17.45.020.

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**Section 6. Effective date.** Sections 3 and 4 of this ordinance shall be effective upon the effective date of the ordinance of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly (Ordinance Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_) approving the amendment of the City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan in this ordinance. The remaining sections of this ordinance shall be effective upon adoption by the Wasilla City Council.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on June 13, 2011.

  
VERNE E. RUPRIGHT, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC, City Clerk

[SEAL]

VOTE: Harris, Holler, Menard, Sullivan-Leonard, and Woodruff in favor; Katkus opposed.

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**CITY OF WASILLA  
LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT**

**ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 11-11: REPEALING THE 1996 CITY OF WASILLA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED (ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 96-06); AND ADOPTING THE 2011 CITY OF WASILLA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, INCLUDING INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE THE 1999 TRAILS PLAN (ADOPTED IN ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 98-58) AND THE ALL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN PHASE I – NATURAL HAZARDS (ADOPTED IN ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 05-32) .**

**Agenda of:** May 23, 2011  
**Originator:** Planning

**Date:** May 11, 2011

Route to:	Department	Signature/Date
	Chief of Police	
X	Public Works Director	 5/11/11
X	Temporary Deputy Administrator	
X	Finance Director	 5/11/2011
X	City Clerk	

**REVIEWED BY MAYOR VERNE E. RUPRIGHT:** 

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  yes\$ or  no

Funds Available  yes  no

**Account name/number:** None

**Attachments:**

Proposed Ordinance Serial No. 11-11 (3 pp) w/Exhibit A  
WPC Resolution Serial No. 11-06 (2 pp)  
WPC Staff Report (1 p)  
*Comprehensive Plan (draft) Attached as separate document.*

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:** The Wasilla Planning Commission adopted Resolution Serial No. 11-06, which recommends that the City Council adopt the proposed 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan and repeal the 1996 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan, as amended, at their March 8, 2011, meeting.

Ordinance Serial No. 11-11, repeals the 1996 Comprehensive Plan and approves the proposed 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan. The Trails Plan (adopted by Ord. Ser. No. 98-58) and the All Hazard Mitigation Plan Phase I – Natural Hazards (adopted by Ord. Ser. No. 05-32) are incorporated into the new comprehensive plan by reference. This ordinance also requests that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission and Assembly approve the new comprehensive plan as required by AS 29.40.010(b) and MSB 17.45.020.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-11.

By: Planning  
Public Hearing: 03/08/11  
Adopted: 03/08/11

**WASILLA PLANNING COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 11-06**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASILLA PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING THAT THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL REPEAL ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 96-06, 1996 CITY OF WASILLA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED, AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED 2011 CITY OF WASILLA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.**

WHEREAS, the Wasilla Planning Commission has been considering an update to the adopted 1996 Wasilla Comprehensive Plan since May 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City employed qualified planning consultants to assist the Wasilla Planning Commission and staff in the process of revising the Comprehensive Plan through a number of public workshops and discussions held periodically at regular Wasilla Planning Commission meetings since the beginning of the planning process; and


WHEREAS, comments received through the public process have been incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan, to the greatest extent possible so that the Comprehensive Plan is representative of the needs, wishes, and desires of Wasilla residents; and

WHEREAS, the Wasilla Planning Commission now believes that the final draft is complete and ready for review by the Wasilla City Council.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wasilla Planning Commission, after due consideration of the proposed Comprehensive Plan, public testimony, and other pertinent information brought before them, hereby recommend that the Wasilla

City Council repeal Ordinance Serial No. 96-06, as amended, and adopt the proposed 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla Planning Commission on March 8, 2011.

  
A. C. Buswell, III, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Tina Crawford, City Planner

VOTE: Passed Unanimously



**CITY OF WASILLA  
LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT**

**Resolution Serial No. 11-06:** Recommending that the Wasilla City Council repeal Ordinance Serial No. 96-06, 1996 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan, as amended, and adopt the proposed 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan.

**Agenda of:** March 8, 2011

**Date:** March 1, 2011

**Originator:** Tina Crawford, AICP, City Planner

Route to:	Department	Signature/Date
X	Public Works Director	

**Attachments:** Resolution Serial No. 11-06 (2 pp)  
Exhibit A – Draft 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:** Over the past year or so, staff has worked with USKH to update/revise the 1996 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan. Numerous public workshops and meetings were held to obtain input from the residents, City Council, Planning Commission, City staff, and other interested parties. The final draft of the proposed 2011 City of Wasilla Comprehensive Plan (“Plan”) is attached for the Commission’s review and consideration.

This Plan is a compilation of the input received from at the public workshops and meetings and includes goals, objectives, and actions for five categories — Transportation, Land Use, Downtown, Community Assets, Economic Vitality, and Intergovernmental Coordination. Listed below is a brief description of the purpose for the goals, objectives, and actions:

**Goals** are a broad statement of a future condition, desirable for the community.

**Objectives** are specific statements of desired results that help fulfill the goal.

**Actions** are the activities, programs and projects that should be undertaken, continued or modified to help achieve the established objectives and contribute to the fulfillment of the goals.

Once adopted, the Plan will provide a cohesive vision for decision-making specific to the City, based on its unique challenges and opportunities and will also serve as a road map for ensuring cost-effective City investment that is well-timed and coordinated to meet future growth needs. It will also serve as the legal foundation for the City’s Land Development Code, help justify investments in capital improvements and municipal systems development, help bring residents together around future planning efforts, and be useful in securing grant funding and partnerships.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the adoption of Resolution Serial No. 11-06.