

Submitted by: Chair of the  
Assembly at the

request of the Mayor

Prepared by: Anchorage Health  
Department

For reading: May 7, 2024

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
AR No. 2024-162**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY EXTENDING  
THE EXPANDED CAPACITY OF 200 INDIVIDUALS AT 1111 E 56<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE  
SHELTER.**

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**WHEREAS**, The Anchorage Health Department (AHD) Director designates facilities as emergency shelters under AMC section 16.120.040 with appropriate conditions to accommodate these intended uses; and

**WHEREAS**, Anchorage Municipal Code 16.120.020 provides that homeless shelters shall be for no more than 150 clients in a single location without Assembly approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Assembly approved a capacity expansion from 150 persons to 200 at the former Solid Waste Services Administrative building located at 1111 E 56th Avenue on November 14, 2023, via AR 2023-391, As Corrected; and

**WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Health Department is requesting a continuation of the additional 50 client capacity through summer 2024, until the beginning of the Emergency Cold Weather Sheltering Season beginning October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the current congregate shelter will still be utilized as a low-barrier shelter for 200 highly vulnerable individuals working towards stable housing. There will be 50 beds held at the congregate shelter for those who are being abated from encampments into shelter; and

**WHEREAS**, those individuals being abated from camps will be offered shelter at 1111 E 56th Avenue along with rapid rehousing and wrap-around services; and

**WHEREAS**, at this time, all other low-barrier facilities are operating on a decompression schedule and plan to close by May 31, 2024. AHD believes it is necessary to keep the 1111 E 56th Avenue shelter capacity to 200 clients; now, therefore,

**THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:**

**Section 1.** The Assembly hereby approves the census of the 1111 E 56th Avenue congregate shelter to be up to 200 clients with 50 spots allotted for when an abatement is issued.

1 **Section 2.** This approval shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on October 15, 2024, unless  
2 otherwise extended by the Assembly.

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4 **Section 3.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and  
5 approval by the Assembly.

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9 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
10 \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Chair of the Assembly

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20 Municipal Clerk