Introduced by: Council Member Berger
Date January 8, 2002
Action: Adopted
Vote: Unanimous

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

RESOLUTION #02-01

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A PUBLIC BUS SYSTEM OPERATION IN BETHEL TO SERVE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO ESSENTIAL WIDESPREAD LOCATIONS IN BETHEL

WHEREAS, The Bethel community is growing at a rapid pace and businesses are being established in decentralized areas throughout the community, and;

WHEREAS, While housing and businesses are becoming widely disbursed throughout the community, many residents do not own a vehicle or do not drive, and;

WHEREAS, Specifically, the new post office location has made it especially difficult for many residents to access the post office, except by taxicab or other vehicle means, and;

WHEREAS, Fuel prices and taxicab fare prices have increased and harsh weather conditions often make it difficult to walk, and;

WHEREAS, There is a need to supplement public transportation, other than by taxicab, and;

WHEREAS, The Bethel community would benefit by establishing a bus service to serve such widespread locations as the post office, YKHC and hospital, grocery and retail stores, office complexes, schools, Uivik and Tundra Ridge subdivisions and the boat harbor, and;

WHEREAS, The City of Bethel owns a bus large enough to accommodate public transport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, supports a public bus transportation system in the Bethel community and the City Council directs the City Manager to explore the possibilities of establishing such a transit system and to report back to the City Council within 45 days.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8th DAY OF JANUARY 2002, by a unanimous voice vote.

Stanley "Tundy" Rodgers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Colleen Soberay, City Clerk