

Introduced by: Mayor Jerry Cleworth
Finance Committee Review: May 14, 2013
Introduced: May 20, 2013

RESOLUTION NO 4575

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN
PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INTERSECTION OF EAST COWLES
STREET AND 17TH AVENUE**

WHEREAS, Fairbanks General Code Section 70-134 provides that the City will not assume "the maintenance or improvement obligation of any new street" without City Council Approval by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Fairbanks Community Hospital Foundation ("Foundation") is providing funds to design and install a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon ("RRFB") at the pedestrian crossing of East Cowles Street at 17th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the intersection of East Cowles and 17th Avenue is not signalized and this RRFB will improve the safety for hospital employees crossing between the hospital and the employee parking lot, as well as all other pedestrians utilizing the crossing; and

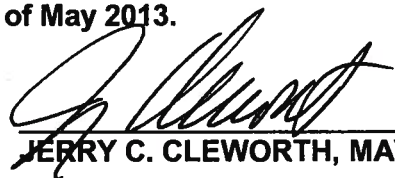
WHEREAS, the Foundation has agreed to pay for the electricity to operate the RRFB, provide construction easements and right-of-way without charge, and fund major maintenance of the facility, such as severe damage by vehicle collision, vandalism, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to provide minor maintenance of the RRFB and crossing, such as bulb replacement, service of electrical components, traffic signage and striping, and the City currently maintains East Cowles Street and 17th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, given the extreme winter conditions such as extended darkness, extreme cold, icy driving surfaces and relatively high volume of traffic, this RRFB will benefit pedestrians as well as drivers by improving the safety of the crossing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement regarding the 17th Avenue RRFB in accord with the terms stated herein.

PASSED and APPROVED This 20th Day of May 2013.



JERRY C. CLEWORTH, MAYOR

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED: APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

for 

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk



Paul Ewers, City Attorney