Introduced by: Council Member Stiver
Date: October 10, 2011

## **ORDINANCE NO. 5862**

## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE SECTION 74-117(f) PROVIDING THAT HOTEL/MOTEL TAX GRANTS MAY ONLY BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES STATED ON THE APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the City's hotel/motel tax was implemented for the primary purpose of funding services for the promotion of the tourist industry and other economic development, and for the funding of services for the general public; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Council that grants will only be awarded for the purposes and uses specified in the grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:

Section 1. That Fairbanks General Code Section 74-117(f) is amended as follows (new text in **bold and underlined** font, deleted text in strikeout font).

Sec. 74-117. – Hotel/motel tax purpose and limitation.

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(f) Organizations and agencies will be required to report to the City of Fairbanks Chief Financial Officer that funds were used exclusively for the purposes stated in the grant application. how their funds received were spent. Ten percent of these appropriations will be withheld until a the complete report is filed with the chief financial officer. Prior to receiving any funding under this section, applicants must agree to reimburse the City the full amount of any grant proceeds not used for the purposes stated on the application.

Certification that funds were used as approved is due by October 31 of the year of grant funding; funds not spent or encumbered for approved purposes must be returned by that date. An organization that fails to comply with the October 31 deadline is ineligible to seek funding for the following year, but if complete reporting and repayment is made by October 31 of the following year, the organization may reapply for future funding. An organization that does not comply within one year of the deadline is ineligible to receive funding for three additional years.

Section 2. That the effective date of this ordinance shall be the 29th day of October

Jerry Cleworth, Mayor

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Eberhart, Roberts, Stiver, Matherly, Gatewood

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Bratcher

ADOPTED:

October 24, 2011

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul Ewers, City Attorney