Introduced by: Mayor Eberhart Introduced: November 25, 2013

ORDINANCE NO. 5934

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FGC SEC. 78-929 INSURANCE OR OTHER SECURITY REQUIRED TO ALLOW DISPOSITION WITHOUT COURT APPEARANCE

WHEREAS, the City Council recently enacted Ordinance No. 5927 which updated sections of the Code of Ordinances dealing with minor offenses to reflect the changes made by the State of Alaska when it adopted its new minor offense rules; and

WHEREAS, these code updates did not clarify that violations of FGC Sec. 78-929, Insurance or other security required, would continue to be resolved without the need for a court appearance,

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

SECTION 1. That Fairbanks General Code Section 78-929 Insurance or other security required is hereby amended as follows [new text in **underlined bold** font, deleted text in **strikethrough** font]:

Sec. 78-929. Insurance or other security required.

(a) The owner or operator of a motor vehicle shall have a current motor vehicle liability policy, or other security that complies with AS Title 28, when operating a motor vehicle within the City of Fairbanks.

(b) It is unlawful:

- (1) For any person to operate a motor vehicle without proof of the required insurance or security in the vehicle.
- (2) For any person to fail to produce proof of the required insurance or security to a police officer upon demand; or
- (3) For any person to operate a motor vehicle without the required insurance or security in effect at the time of operation.
- (c) A person convicted of violating subsections (b)(1), (b)(2), or (b)(3) shall pay a fine of \$300.00 unless the person produces proof of the required insurance or security that had been issued to the person prior to the time of the offense and was valid at the time of the offense, in which instance the citation will be dismissed. Disposition of offenses under this section may be without court appearance pursuant to AS 29.25.070 and the Alaska Minor Offense Rules upon payment of the \$300.00 fine listed above and payment of the state surcharge required by AS 12.55.039 and AS 29.25.074.

Section 2. That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be the 7th day of December 2013.

John Eberhart, City Mayor

AYES:

Gate wood, Matherly, Staley, Hilling

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Walley, Anderson

ADOPTED:

December 2, 2013

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janey Hovenden, CMC, City Clerk

Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney