

Introduced by: Council Members Clark,
Gibson, Marney, and Therrien
Finance Committee Review: June 8, 2021
Introduced: June 14, 2021

ORDINANCE NO. 6173

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE
CHAPTER 46 BY ADDING THEFT AS A MINOR OFFENSE**

WHEREAS, theft offenses are currently enforced through state statutes as misdemeanor and felony level offenses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks believes instances of minor thefts, which fall on the lower end of the State's theft in the 4th degree statute, AS 11.46.150(a), could in most cases be more efficiently and effectively handled as a violation enforced by City ordinance.

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

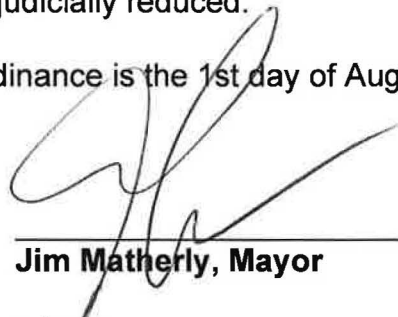
SECTION 1. Fairbanks General Code Chapter 46, Offenses, is amended by adding the following Section 46-76:

FGC Sec. 46-76. Minor Offense Theft

(a) A person commits a minor offense theft if they obtain property of another with the intent to deprive the owner of the property or to appropriate the property to themselves or a third person and the value of the property is less than \$250.

(b) Disposition of an offense under this section may be without court appearance pursuant to AS 29.25.070 and the Alaska Minor Offense Rules upon payment of the fine amount of \$200 and payment of the state surcharge required by AS 12.55.039 and AS 29.25.074. The fines established for this offense may not be judicially reduced.

SECTION 2. That the effective date of this Ordinance is the 1st day of August 2021.



Jim Matherly, Mayor

AYES: Rogers, Therrien, Clark, Marney, Gibson
NAYS: Kun
ABSENT: None
ADOPTED: June 28, 2021

ATTEST:



Danielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Paul J Ewers, City Attorney