

**CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA
RESOLUTION 2026-035**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER DECLARING THAT NO INTEREST IN PROPERTY HELD BY THE CITY SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR LONG-TERM LEASE UNTIL OCTOBER 1, 2026 UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Whittier Municipal Code 3.38.330 requires the City to adopt the Whittier Land Allocation Plan annually, through which the City maintains a list of all property available for lease by the City; and

WHEREAS, The City adopted Ordinance no. 2026-002 suspending WMC 3.38.330 (B) through (F) until December 31, 2027 to permit the Whittier City Council to finalize certain land holdings within the City before engaging in the annual allocation plan process; and

WHEREAS, the suspension of the Whittier Land Allocation Plan requirement created uncertainty regarding the methods of disposal for leasehold interests that became available for lease during the suspension; and

WHEREAS, the City has been unable to agree on the availability of those properties for lease and, more specifically, whether or not those parcels should be subject to a competitive bid process,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. Except as provided in Section 2 and 3 of this resolution, no interest in property held by the City shall be available for long-term lease until October 1, 2026 unless otherwise approved by City Council via resolution or ordinance. A long-term lease for purposes of this resolution is any lease that is not a short-term lease or lease amendment or extension.

Section 2. The City Manager may enter into short-term leases, execute lease amendments, grant short-term lease extensions, and approve permits on all property in which the City has an interest so long as the action complies with the Whittier Municipal Code. The City Manager may also accept and evaluate applications for direct negotiations on property in which the City has an interest so long as City Council has adopted law permitting such applications.

Section 3. This resolution in no way limits the City Manager's authority and duty to exercise custody over all real and personal property of the City or to supervise enforcement of municipal law under AS 29.20.500 and Whittier Municipal Code. It does not affect the lease extensions, short term leases, enforcement of holdover provisions under expired leases or any enforcement actions taken by the City Manager under the authority vested in the City Manager under AS 29.20.500 and Whittier Municipal Code.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

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PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of City of Whittier, Alaska, this
____ day of _____, 2026.

Victor Shen
Mayor

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

Shelby Carlson
Acting City Clerk

(City Seal)