



Your input is requested by May 24th to guide our Scenic Foothills Community Council in setting priorities for capital funding requests for streets, storm drains, parks, trails, etc. The Municipality has provided a list of proposed capital projects in three funding categories: (Anchorage Project Management & Engineering, State of Alaska, Anchorage Parks & Recreation). Funding is via bonding and state and federal grants. <<http://www.munibudget.org/Council/scenic-foothills>>

Please look over the list and take a brief (3-question) online Capital Improvement Projects Survey to rank these items in order of importance. There is a place to suggest other projects if you think they are more urgently needed. This will guide the SFCC board in setting funding priorities for the next fiscal year and beyond. <<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LZKVCZX>>

The survey allows one set of answers per computer. The survey may also be completed with mobile devices. The last question requests name, street address and e-mail address to help update Scenic Foothills Community Council mailing lists. Data won't be shared or sold.

If unable to complete the survey online, please send name, street address and e-mail address to sfcc@alaska.net for alternate method.

Thursday, May 4, Scenic Foothills Community Council Meeting — 7 p.m. at Wayland Baptist University, 7801 East 32nd Avenue (enter via Old Muldoon Road off 36th Avenue). Agenda: <<http://www.scenicfoothillsc.org/pdf/agenda.pdf>> additional copies at the door.

The May 4 Council meeting has several presentations that are important to all of us.

Municipal Code enforcement:

Spring is the time of year when all of us are coming out from under the cover of winter, with reminders of what was left behind last Fall or what someone has tried to forget. Some of us may have neighbors that allow trash to accumulate, park cars illegally on the property, or maybe add a building or new fence in an improper location.

Whatever the possible complaint, at the May Council meeting we will have a representative of the Municipality explain what constitutes a code violation, how to file a formal complaint, and how this is investigated. The Municipality wants to hear about our problem areas.

Recreational opportunities: Learn about various recreational opportunities we have nearby for hiking, biking and other recreation. Come share your experiences or learn about something new.

Did you know it is possible to legally access JBER for your outdoor recreation? The iSportsman program will be described for you, telling you how to sign up and how to learn what areas are open for recreation when you intend to go.

SFCC Board election – The annual election will be held for members of the Council's Board.

Neighborhood concerns: We rely on your input to help design our future meeting agendas. Please attend this meeting to help us, through our discussions, make Anchorage a better place to live.

Nextdoor.com is a free and private social network just for Scenic Foothills neighbors. On Nextdoor, neighbors share crime and safety concerns, local events, recommendations, items for sale/free, information on missing pets, ideas about how to make our neighborhood better and safer. In January 2015, Scenic Foothills Community Council board members rather cautiously began an evaluation of **Nextdoor.com** as a way of interacting with more of our neighbors – the folks next door. We now encourage your participation. Several smaller neighborhoods were combined into one Scenic Foothills neighborhood along our community council boundaries. Nextdoor.ScenicFoothills has since grown to more than 1,080 Nextdoor neighbors (25% of households), far more than the number on the SFCC e-mail list and with less than 25% overlap. Many of our Nextdoor neighbors participated in the Capital Improvements Project survey last spring and many more have been active on park safety, bike trails, bear awareness and other neighborhood issues.



Nextdoor.com is an effective way to interact with more people who are actively involved in our neighborhood issues. If you are not already participating, we suggest you consider becoming a Nextdoor neighbor as a way of keeping up on neighborhood concerns, whether or not you choose to attend the SFCC meetings. Please join us on Nextdoor Scenic Foothills to build ourselves a better neighborhood. We also suggest you consider turning off some of the e-mail and notifications options, especially if you are using a smartphone. **E-mail newsletters:** send your e-mail address to sfcc@alaska.net to get the freshest news! Or use the contact form on the website: <http://scenicfoothills.org/council/contact-form/>

All committees are open for membership and support. Committee chair **contact information** posted on website.

Our Scenic Foothills website info is moving to an easier to read, mobile-friendly website – the legacy website remains to preserve historic information, including newsletters, minutes, etc. An updated Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) page can be found under the “Council” menu.

scenicfoothills.org (new site) • scenicfoothillsc.org • facebook.com/scenicfoothills

Our part of town—from the Tudor-Muldoon curve to the swerve onto the Glenn Highway—is named after Anchorage pioneer homesteader **Arnold L. Muldoon**. He put up a log cabin among the spruce trees near Northern Lights Boulevard in the winter of 1940. He packed the materials out on his back, along a muddy trail that became Muldoon Road. Arnold L. Muldoon Park, named in his honor, preserves a portion of his original homestead.

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