



# April 1, 2025 Ballot Proposition FACT SHEET

## Proposition 5

### **Anchorage Areawide Service Area** **Public Safety Improvements** **\$9,400,000**

These bonds would pay for acquiring new replacement ambulances, replacing the fire alarm system panels at major municipal facilities, undertaking facility safety/code upgrades, undertaking signal system, signage, traffic calming and safety improvements, and undertaking school zone safety improvements and allow for increases in the municipal tax cap for annual operations and maintenance (O&M) costs in the Anchorage Areawide Service Area. (AO 2025-14(S))

#### **Projects**

	Estimated Cost	Estimated Annual O & M
1 AMATS: Mountain Air Dr - Rabbit Creek Rd to E 164th Ave	\$150	\$0
2 Anchorage Signal System, Signage, and Safety Improvements Annual Program	\$1,500	\$80
3 Fire Ambulance Replacement Annual Program	\$750	\$0
4 Facility Safety/Code Upgrades Annual Program	\$2,000	\$0
5 Major Municipal Facility Fire Alarm System Panel Replacement	\$2,000	\$0
6 School Zone Safety Annual Program	\$1,000	\$2
7 Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements Annual Program	\$2,000	\$70
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,400</b>	<b>\$152</b>

#### **Project Descriptions - Public Safety - Fire**

##### Fire Ambulance Replacement - \$750,000

Programmed replacement of Areawide Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU) ambulances to provide basic and advanced life support services and transport patients throughout the Municipality of Anchorage. Replacement of MICU ambulances will be in accordance with the Anchorage Fire Department's vehicle replacement plan. Ambulances are heavily used and incur high levels of mileage. Ambulances are replaced approximately every 7 years.

#### **Project Descriptions - Public Safety - Facilities**

##### Facility Safety/Code Upgrades Annual Program - \$2,000,000

Install various safety and code upgrades to Municipal facilities, such as sprinkler bracing; seismic bracing; lead/asbestos abatement; electrical; heating, ventilation, and air conditioning; mechanical upgrades; handicap accessibility improvements; roof replacement; and energy efficiency upgrades.

##### Major Municipal Facility Fire Alarm System Panel - \$2,000,000

Replace outdated fire alarm system panels in thirteen major municipal facilities.

#### **Project Descriptions - Public Safety - Signal, Signage, and Traffic Calming and Safety**

##### AMATS: Mountain Air Dr - Rabbit Creek Rd to E 164th Ave - \$150,000

The project will construct a new collector connection south of Rabbit Creek Road and east of Golden View Drive. Improvements are expected to include pavement, street lighting, and storm drains. Pedestrian facilities may also be included.



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#### Anchorage Signal System, Signage, and Safety Improvements - \$1,500,000 (plus \$80,000 O&M annually)

This program reconstructs and upgrades the Anchorage traffic system within the Municipality of Anchorage. This project is part of an annual program to construct priority improvements that will improve safety and traffic flow as identified by the Traffic Engineering Department through its annual review of traffic and crash data. Improvements may include replacing and/or upgrading signals, turning lanes and lights, signs, site assessment devices, traffic detection loops, and any other equipment needed to upgrade the system. Design and construction funding are proposed annually through road bonds. Because of age, many traffic signal and sign facilities in Anchorage have deteriorated to the point that replacement is required to keep the system operating. Upgrades, primarily related to technological advancements, are available to improve system efficiency and reduce annual operation and maintenance costs.

#### School Zone Safety - \$1,000,000 (plus \$2,000 O&M annually)

This program evaluates the walking/biking corridors throughout Anchorage that students use for access to their schools. Specific improvements will be identified and prioritized by the Traffic Engineering Department in conjunction with public involvement and the Anchorage School District. Many projects have already been completed with funding from this program. Improvements include new sidewalk installation, repair of existing sidewalks or making them American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant, and the installation of signage to enhance safety along these walking routes.

#### Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements - \$2,000,000 (plus \$70,000 O&M annually)

This program evaluates the implementation of the traffic calming program and safety improvements throughout the Municipality of Anchorage. Specific improvements will be identified and prioritized by the Traffic Engineering Department in conjunction with public involvement. Design and construction funding are proposed annually. On many neighborhood and collector roads, vehicles are driven above posted speeds which can create unsafe situations. Traffic calming measures are typically used to slow traffic.

#### Costs Associated with Bond Approval

Bond Principal Amount	\$9,400,000
Estimated Annual Cost of Debt Service	\$684,141
Annual Increased Operations and Maintenance Costs	\$152

#### Estimated Annual Property Tax Increase for \$100,000 of Assessed Property Value:

To Retire Debt	\$1.68
Operations and Maintenance Costs	\$ .37
Total	\$2.05

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*It is the expectation of the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) that the general obligation bonds proposed for April 1, 2025, will be used to make capital improvements as noted. Information contained herein describes how MOA expects to use the bond proceeds. However, as project development progresses, changes in scope, project feasibility, phasing, timeline, or estimated costs may occur that result in acceleration, delay, or adjustments related to the above projects.*