

# MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: CBJ North Franklin Parking Lot - Brief History

DATE: April 3 2014

The Lands Division has received an application from Steve Soenksen, of Juneau Legacy Properties LP, to purchase the CBJ North Franklin parking lot at the corner of Franklin Street and Second Street, across the street from the Baranof Hotel, for the purpose of constructing approximately 40 units of workforce housing.

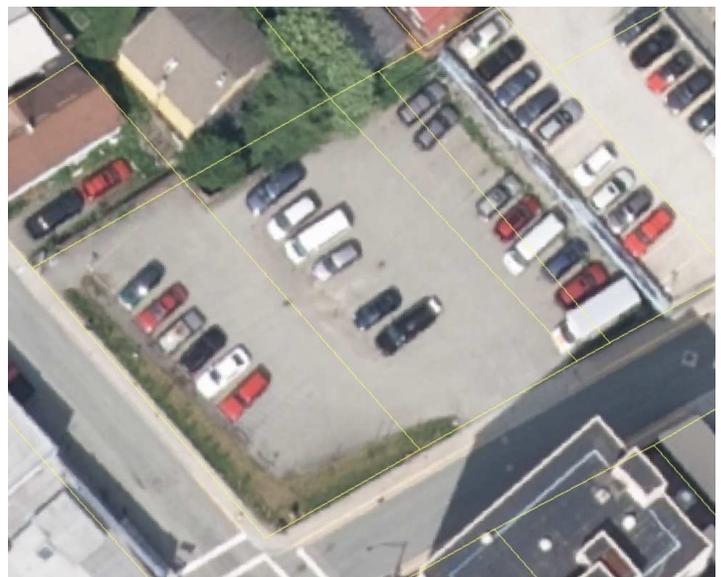
In 2003, based on the recommendation of the Downtown Revitalization Committee, the CBJ purchased the property from Juneau Alliance for Mental Health Inc. (JAMHI). The Downtown Revitalization Committee stated that the lack of parking was “a critical deterrent to the viability of downtown.” They recommended that the property be converted to a parking garage with street level retail/office space facing North Franklin Street.

At that time the JAMHI offices were located on the corner. The 11 unit Colonial Apartment building was located uphill adjacent to the small State parking garage on the neighboring lot. A small parking lot separated the office and apartment buildings.

After the CBJ purchased the property, the apartments and office building were removed from the site. After demolition was complete, a surface parking lot was installed accommodating approximately 25 spaces.



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