

**CITY OF PALMER
ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 12-044**

Subject: Authorize a Donation of \$300 to Support the 2012 Palmer High Grad Blast

Agenda of: May 8, 2012

Council Action: Authorized _____

Approved for presentation by:

City Manager *J Douglas B. Griffin*
City Attorney *[Signature]*
City Clerk *JH*

Certification of Funds:

Total amount of funds listed in legislation:	\$ <u>300</u>
This legislation (✓): <u> </u> Has no fiscal impact	
Creates:	
<u>✓</u> A negative fiscal impact in the amount of:	\$ <u>300</u>
<u> </u> A positive fiscal impact in the amount of:	\$ _____
<u>✓</u> Funds are budgeted from this (these) line item(s):	
➤ 01-02-10-6069	\$ <u>300</u>
➤	\$ _____
<u> </u> Funds are not budgeted. Budget modification is required. Affected line item(s):	
➤	\$ _____
Unrestricted/undesignated fund balance (after budget modification)	\$ _____
Director of Finance signature certifying funds:	<u><i>[Signature]</i></u>

Attachment(s):

- Donation letter from the Palmer High School Gradblast Committee

Summary statement: Palmer High School Gradblast is an annual event that the City has supported with a monetary donation. The event gives our young adults a safe place to celebrate their high school graduation.

Administration recommendation: Approve action memorandum 12-044.

March 2012

Oh The Places You Will Go!

Dear Fellow Alaskans:

We invite you to be a part of the 23rd Annual Palmer High School Grad Blast Celebration, "Oh the Places You Will Go." Gradblast is an alcohol-free and drug-free affair celebrating our graduating class and is open to Palmer High seniors and their guests. We anticipate 350 attendees. The gala begins at 10:00 p.m. on May 16 ~ immediately following commencement and runs into the early morning hours.

The PHS Class of 2012 is an amazing group of young adults who excel in academics, the performing and fine arts, athletics, and community service. They are a group of outstanding students and caring young adults who are worthy of our attention and support.

Support and cooperation for this event from state and local business people, service and fraternal organizations, community members, law enforcement, our PHS administration, and each senior class, have made this event a very successful endeavor.

This letter comes to you as an invitation to participate our annual celebration in one or more ways. We understand that Alaskan businesses feel the crunch of our current economy and are often called upon to give to our many worthy, local organizations—but we still need your help.

Donate an item: We need 300 items to use as door prizes, Senior Gifts, and auction items. Donations may include electronics and small appliances, recreational gear, tools, gift cards, and services. No donation is too small.

Donate cash to underwrite a portion of the event: Cash helps defer the costs associated with an event of this size. Monetary donations will help us rent the facility and equipment, purchase insurance, and provide food, decorations, and much more.

Volunteer to help at the event: Prior to and during the actual event, we need lots of help. Several working committees plan the evening's activities, food, security, fundraising, decorations, and We welcome you to join our motivated and energetic group of parents. There is something for everyone at Gradblast 2012. Be part of the fun and watch as our newly graduated students enjoy an evening of games, activities, dances, music, and wonderful memories.

You can mail donations to:

Palmer High Gradblast 2012
c/o Kathy Tuttle
P.O. Box 3815
Palmer, AK 99645

Mike Daniels
982-3666

Contributors will be listed on our facebook and googledocs site, posted on flyers, announced at the event, and included on a huge banner at the site.

For more information or to request the pick up of a donation from you, call Kathy Tuttle at 354-6900 or 746-7808.

Thank you in advance for your generous support!

The 2012 PHS Gradblast Committee

EIN # 45-4571781