

ACTION AGENDA

Monday, January 13, 2014
Worksession
Committee of the Whole
Regular Meeting

WORKSESSION AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER, 4:00 P.M.

Mayor Wythe called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Councilmember Burgess has requested excusal.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL (Only those matters on the noticed agenda may be considered, pursuant to City Council's Operating Manual, pg. 5)

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Council.

3. EMPLOYEE HEALTHCARE

A. **Memorandum 14-010**, from Personnel Director, Re: Fully-Insured Health Plan Proposals.

4. COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There was one who commented.

5. ADJOURNMENT NO LATER THAN 4:50 P.M.

Mayor Wythe adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

2. CALL TO ORDER, 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Wythe called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Councilmember Burgess has requested telephonic participation.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL (Only those matters on the noticed agenda may be considered, pursuant to City Council's Operating Manual, pg. 5)

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Council.

3. **Michael Fisher**, Northern Economics, Port and Harbor Rate Study and the Economic Impacts Study: Drill Rig Endeavour, 10 minutes.
4. **Memorandum 14-007**, from City Clerk, Re: Recommendations for Reducing Meetings of Committees and Commissions.
5. **CONSENT AGENDA**
6. **REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**
7. **COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE**

There were three who commented.

8. **ADJOURNMENT NO LATER THAN 5:50 P.M.**

Mayor Wythe adjourned the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Session 14-01 a Regular Meeting of the Homer City Council was called to order on January 13, 2014 at 6:03 p.m. by Mayor Mary E. Wythe at the Homer City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BURGESS (telephonic), HOWARD, LEWIS, ROBERTS, VAN DYKE, ZAK

STAFF:

- CITY MANAGER WREDE
- CITY CLERK JOHNSON
- CITY ATTORNEY WELLS
- COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR KOESTER
- FINANCE DIRECTOR LI
- IT MANAGER POOLOS
- LIBRARY DIRECTOR DIXON
- PORT AND HARBOR DIRECTOR HAWKINS
- PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MEYER

Councilmember Burgess has requested telephonic participation.

Councilmember Burgess was allowed to participate by phone.

Department Heads may be called upon from time to time to participate via teleconference.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

(Addition of items to or removing items from the agenda will be by unanimous consent of the Council. HCC 1.24.040.)

The following changes were made to the agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA - Memorandum 14-001, from Deputy City Clerk Re: Liquor License Renewals for Down East Saloon, Kharacters, Alibi, Harbor Grill, Grog Shop East End, Cosmic Kitchen, Pho & Thai Restaurant, and a New Liquor License for Little Mermaid. Non objection letters from Kenai Peninsula Borough Clerk as backup. **Ordinance 14-04**, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY 2014 Operating Budget by Appropriating \$35,000 From the Port and Harbor Depreciation Reserves to Replace the Fish Grinder in the Fish Waste Grinding Facility. City Manager/Port and Harbor Director. Written public comments. **Resolution 14-006**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Homer and Kachemak City Regarding the Canyon Trails Subdivision and Road Maintenance on Stellers Jay Drive and Golden Plover Avenue. City Manager. Map of area as backup. **Resolution 14-019**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Opposing Alaska Board of Fisheries Proposals 138, 139, 140, 142, and 143 That Close or Restrict Waters of Cook Inlet Near Homer to Commercial Drift Fishing. Lewis. Written public comments. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT** - City Manager's Report of January 13, 2014.

The agenda as amended was approved by consensus of the Council.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

There were 22 who commented.

4. RECONSIDERATION

5. CONSENT AGENDA

(Items listed below will be enacted by one motion. If separate discussion is desired on an item, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.)

- A. Homer City Council unapproved Special and Regular meeting minutes of December 9, 2013. City Clerk. Recommend adoption.
- B. **Memorandum 14-001**, from Deputy City Clerk Re: Liquor License Renewals for Down East Saloon, Kharacters, Alibi, Harbor Grill, Grog Shop East End, Cosmic Kitchen, Pho & Thai Restaurant, and a New Liquor License for Little Mermaid.

- C. **Ordinance 14-01**, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending Homer City Code 1.78.010, Commission—Creation and Membership, to Make the Director of the Homer Chamber of Commerce an Ex Officio, Non-Voting Member of the Economic Development Advisory Commission. City Clerk/Economic Development Advisory Commission. Recommended dates: Introduction January 13, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2014.
- D. **Ordinance 14-02**, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council, Amending HCC 9.16.040, and Repealing and Reenacting HCC 9.16.100, to Repeal the Exemption From City Sales Tax of Sales of Nonprepared Foods from September 1st Through May 31st. Lewis. Recommended dates: Introduction January 13, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2014.

Memorandum 14-004 from City Attorney as backup.

Moved to Ordinances.

- E. **Ordinance 14-03**, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council, Amending HCC 9.16.040, and Repealing and Reenacting HCC 9.16.100, to Repeal the Exemption From City Sales Tax of Sales of Nonprepared Foods From September 1st Through May 31st; Amending HCC 9.16.010 to Dedicate a Sales Tax of One-Quarter Percent (.25%) to Fund a Parks and Recreation Department; and Submitting the Question of Repealing Such Sales Tax Exemption and Such Sales Tax Dedication to the Qualified Voters of the City at the October 7, 2014 Regular City Election. Burgess. Recommended dates: Introduction January 13, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2014.

Memorandum 14-004 from City Attorney as backup.

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- F. **Ordinance 14-04**, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY 2014 Operating Budget by Appropriating \$35,000 From the Port and Harbor Depreciation Reserves to Replace the Fish Grinder in the Fish Waste Grinding Facility. City Manager/Port and Harbor Director. Recommended dates: Introduction January 13, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2014.

Memorandum 14-005 from Port and Harbor Director as backup.

Moved to Ordinances.

- G. **Resolution 14-001**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Confirming the City Manager's Appointment of Jo Johnson as Acting City Manager for Calendar Year 2014. City Manager. Recommend adoption.

- H. **Resolution 14-002**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Confirming the Appointments of Zhiyong Li as Treasurer and Laurie Moore as Deputy Treasurer for Calendar Year 2014. City Manager. Recommend adoption.
- I. **Resolution 14-003**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Designating Signatories of City Accounts and Superseding Any Previous Resolution So Designating. City Manager. Recommend adoption.
- J. **Resolution 14-004**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Adopting an Alternative Allocation Method for the FY 14 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program and Certifying That This Allocation Method Fairly Represents the Distribution of Significant Effects of Fisheries Business Activity in the Cook Inlet Fisheries Management Area. City Manager. Recommend adoption.
- K. **Resolution 14-005**, A Resolution of The City Council of Homer, Alaska, Requesting That the Alaska Legislature Amend Alaska Statute 16.20.590 Establishing the Kachemak Bay Critical Habitat Area by Changing the Critical Habitat Area Boundary to Exclude the City of Homer Port and Harbor and Municipal Lands Immediately Adjacent to Port Facilities Necessary for Port Operations, and Make the Statute Consistent With the Stated Intent of the Critical Habitat Area Management Plan. Mayor/Council. Recommend adoption.
- L. **Resolution 14-006**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Homer and Kachemak City Regarding the Canyon Trails Subdivision and Road Maintenance on Stellers Jay Drive and Golden Plover Avenue. City Manager. Recommend adoption.
- M. **Resolution 14-007**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Emergency Services and a Vehicle Lease Agreement Between the City of Homer and Kachemak City. City Manager. Recommend adoption.
- N. **Resolution 14-008**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Approving a New Intergovernmental Wastewater Agreement Between the City of Homer and Kachemak City. City Manager. Recommend adoption.

Moved to Resolutions.

- O. **Resolution 14-009**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Approving a Cost Sharing Agreement Between the City of Homer and Kachemak City Regarding Construction of a Natural Gas Main/Distribution Line in Spencer Drive. City Manager. Recommend adoption.
- P. **Resolution 14-010**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Directing the City Manager to Produce on the Estimated Costs, Financing Options, Policy Considerations, and Feasibility of Constructing a “Loop” Water and Sewer Connection That Extends Up West Hill Road, Across Skyline Drive, and Down East Hill Road; to Be

Presented and Discussed at a Future Worksession Scheduled by the City Council. Burgess. Recommend adoption.

Moved to Resolutions.

- Q. **Resolution 14-011**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Expressing the Future Intention to Create Deferred Assessments on Property Benefitting From the Future Construction of the Shellfish Avenue/South Slope Drive Water Main Extension. City Manager/Public Works Director. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 14-008 from Public Works Director as backup.

Moved to Resolutions.

- R. **Resolution 14-012**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Expressing the Future Intention to Create Deferred Assessments on Property Benefitting From the Future Construction of the Kachemak Drive (Phase III) Water Main Extension Project. City Manager/Public Works Director. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 14-009 from Public Works Director as backup.

Moved to Resolutions.

- S. **Resolution 14-013**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Expressing Support for the City of Soldotna's Proposed Renovation and Expansion of the Soldotna Regional Sports Complex. Mayor/Lewis. Recommend adoption.

- T. **Resolution 14-014**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Expressing Strong Support for Governor Parnell's Proposal to Appropriate \$3 Billion from the Constitutional Budget Reserve into the Alaska Retirement Trust Funds in 2015. Mayor/City Council. Recommend adoption.

- U. **Resolution 14-015**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Appointing a Task Force to Review and Make Recommendations on a Large Vessel Haul-Out and Repair Facility at the Port. City Manager/Port and Harbor Advisory Commission. Recommend adoption.

- V. **Resolution 14-016**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Awarding the Contract for the Refurbishment Services of Three Pedestal Cranes on Homer Fish Dock to the Firm of Oil & Gas Supply Company of Kenai, Alaska, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$82,625 Per Crane and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Clerk/Port and Harbor Director. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 14-006 from Port and Harbor Director as backup.

Moved to Resolutions.

- W. **Resolution 14-017**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Directing the City Administration to Prepare a Preliminary Report for Council Consideration on the Costs, Feasibility, Potential Payback, and Other Community or Economic Benefits of Converting the City's Vehicle Fleet to Natural Gas. Burgess. Recommend adoption.
- X. **Resolution 14-018**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Affirming the City Manager's Decision to Offer Additional Reward Money for Information Leading to the Arrest and Indictment of the Person or Persons Responsible for the Murder of Mark Matthews. City Manager. Recommend adoption.
- Y. **Resolution 14-019**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Opposing Alaska Board of Fisheries Proposals 138, 139, 140, 142, and 143 That Close or Restrict Waters of Cook Inlet Near Homer to Commercial Drift Fishing. Lewis. Recommend adoption.

Moved to Resolutions.

- Z. **Resolution 14-020**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Creating a Public Safety Building Review Committee and Establishing the Scope of Work and Parameters Under Which the Committee Will Conduct Its Work. City Manager/Public Works Director. Recommend adoption.

Moved to Resolutions.

Ordinances 14-02 and 14-03 were moved to Ordinances A and B. (Zak)

Ordinance 14-04 was moved to Ordinance C. (Burgess)

Resolutions 14-010, 14-011, 14-012, 14-016, and 14-020 were moved to Resolutions A, B, C, D, and E. (Zak)

Resolution 14-019 was moved to Resolutions F. (Lewis)

Resolution 14-008 was moved to Resolution G. (Burgess)

The consent agenda as amended was adopted by consensus of the Council.

6. VISITORS

- A. **Jenny Martin**, Big Brothers Big Sisters, 10 minutes.

Jenny Martin, Big Brothers Big Sisters presented on the organization, along with testimony from Bigs and Littles.

- B. **Paul Seaton & Kris Holderied**, Tidal Incubator Project, 10 minutes.

Representative Paul Seaton & Kris Holderied, NOAA, provided an update on the Tidal Incubator Project.

- C. **Michael Fisher**, Northern Economics, Port and Harbor Rate Study and the Economic Impacts Study: Drill Rig Endeavour, 10 minutes.

Michael Fisher, Northern Economics, provided an overview on the Port and Harbor Rate Study and the Economic Impacts Study: Drill Rig Endeavour.

Mayor Wythe called for a recess at 7:32 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/BOROUGH REPORT/COMMISSION REPORTS

A. Borough Report

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assemblyman Bill Smith provided an update on the Assembly's work.

B. Commissions/Board Reports:

1. Library Advisory Board

Phil Gordon, Library Advisory Commissioner, reported the children's librarian and the library staff are all working hard. Patron and material use is up and tomorrow they hook up with natural gas. These are nice indicators they are doing a good job.

2. Homer Advisory Planning Commission

3. Economic Development Advisory Commission

4. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

Dave Brann, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner, reported the commission will meet this Thursday. City Manager Wrede has agreed to come to the meeting to talk about the recreation needs assessment. This weekend is the Best Cup ski tournament and women's hockey which will bring a lot of people to town. The uniform signage program is moving forward and the commission will be talking about it. He is looking forward to 2014 as the commission is anxious to work on things.

5. Port and Harbor Advisory Commission

Glen Carroll, Port and Harbor Advisory Commissioner, reported the commission discussed the large vessel haul-out at their last meeting. The commission is interested, as is everyone in the community. We are not locked into a large travel lift with a large dock; there are much more economical ways. The haul-out facility will be a tremendous economic engine for year round jobs and a tax base on the Spit.

8. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

9. ORDINANCE(S)

- A. **Ordinance 14-02**, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council, Amending HCC 9.16.040, and Repealing and Reenacting HCC 9.16.100, to Repeal the Exemption From City Sales Tax of Sales of Nonprepared Foods from September 1st Through May 31st. Lewis. Recommended dates: Introduction January 13, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2014.

Memorandum 14-004 from City Attorney as backup.

FAILED with discussion.

- B. **Ordinance 14-03**, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council, Amending HCC 9.16.040, and Repealing and Reenacting HCC 9.16.100, to Repeal the Exemption From City Sales Tax of Sales of Nonprepared Foods From September 1st Through May 31st; Amending HCC 9.16.010 to Dedicate a Sales Tax of One-Quarter Percent (.25%) to Fund a Parks and Recreation Department; and Submitting the Question of Repealing Such Sales Tax Exemption and Such Sales Tax Dedication to the Qualified Voters of the City at the October 7, 2014 Regular City Election. Burgess. Recommended dates: Introduction January 13, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2014.

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Memorandum 14-005 from Port and Harbor Director as backup.

ADOPTED with discussion.

10. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. City Manager's Report

City Manager Wrede reported City Hall is now heated with natural gas. Everyone should celebrate as we are saving money and reducing greenhouse gases. Within ten days the Library, Animal Shelter, Airport, and Water Treatment Plant will be operating on natural gas.

City Clerk Johnson provided an update on the code codification. The recodified city code is now accessible on the Clerk's website, hosted by Code Publishing.

Boys and Girls Club is in the process of moving out of the HERC building. They have been there for many years. Some of the stuff went to the dump, some to Soldotna, and they donated some equipment to the sports association. There is a pool table and piano there still. Next Wednesday a cleaning company will come in behind them.

The recreation needs assessment will be discussed with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission at their meeting on Thursday. A steering committee that represents user groups could look at the RFP and research to get useful information. Council could appoint a committee or task force that wouldn't require clerks or staff. Alternately, they could use a standing commission such as Parks and Recreation to make sure all interested parties are there to participate. He asked for feedback from Council and the consensus was for the City Manager to take the lead and allow the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission and Recreate Rec to form a steering committee.

City Manger Wrede reported he participated in meeting with Attorney Colette Thompson and Mayor Navarre's assistant for setting up a borough recreational area.

Kate Crowley, Recreate Rec, confirmed the meeting with the Borough. An October vote is needed to decide if there will be a borough-wide recreation area. They are still exploring the options and are not sure if a vote will happen in October. The Borough is very supportive of the idea.

City Manager Wrede asked for direction from Council on the Citizens Academy. Councilmember Howard commented the idea of the Citizens Academy is that it would increase and develop the knowledge of how the City operates. Citizens will learn complexities and it will help them imagine the potential of the town and encourage them to assume leadership roles in the community. Department heads would develop a program that would be a one day a week, six-week session for two hours. There is a fair amount of interest. Some cities feel it is advantageous to folks that live outside the city. If there were more than 20 interested people, city residents would have priority. The curriculum is for departments to look at why and how we do things. They would reassess themselves and showcase their work of what they do for the city. It is best to keep the information elementary, but thorough.

Councilmember Lewis asked who owns Beluga Lake. City Manager Wrede answered DNR owns some land, DOT owns the lake in the summer as a float plane base and the City of Homer manages it in the winter.

City Manager Wrede reported a disabled car was pulled out of the lake. The Police Chief worked hard to get the driver to take responsibility. DOT would not remove the car as they thought the ice was too thin. We received a reasonable bid proposal for an extraction plan at \$2,000. We will pursue the owner to pay the cost. It was in the public's interest to pull the car out since it contained at least a half of a tank of gas and lubricants.

City Manager Wrede has been trading emails with Frank Griswold on Beluga Lake. In the 1970's DOT was urging the City to assume responsibility of the lake. We do zone the lake for certain activities, but the City has not actively managed what goes on in the lake. Frank Griswold thinks we should measure the ice and give warnings when it is weak. Council has chosen not to due to the liability.

Mayor Wythe recognized 11 employees celebrating a total of 69 years of service to the City.

1. January Employee Anniversaries
 2. Memorandum 14-002 from Community and Economic Development Coordinator, Re: Citizen's Academy.
- B. Bid Report
- C. Games Report
1. Homer Hockey Association, Inc.
- D. Records Inventory Report

11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

- A. December 2013 Report

City Attorney Holly Wells reiterated the new code format is a real pleasure and has had a notable impact in research on the code. The law firm would enjoy participating in the Citizens Academy.

Attorney Wells reported on the condo association judgment. The decision is involved and a substantial order. The attorney needs to go through the decision and sort out factual ambiguities to understand where the judge is coming from. They will decide the best approach in moving forward.

12. COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. Public Arts Committee
- B. Transportation Advisory Committee
- C. Permanent Fund Committee
- D. Lease Committee
- E. Port and Harbor Improvement Committee

- F. Employee Committee Report
- G. Port and Harbor Building Task Force
 - 1. Memorandum 14-003 from Project Manager, Re: Project Budget: New Harbormaster's Building.

Councilmember Howard reported more money is needed for the new harbormaster's building - about \$300,000. The amount would be reduced by about \$160,000 by taking out the 400 sq. ft. shop for light maintenance. Before moving ahead with 65% design they ask Council for the possibility of a 5-year loan or an outright gift from the fund balance. The building does include overslope; this is the only way the harbormaster can see up and down the harbor. The second story will be framed, but not occupied until later. It has been a difficult project to work on as they didn't have enough money to begin with although pretended they did. They are asking for either a 5-year loan as the animal shelter and other facilities have done, or to scratch the project completely.

There was \$1.5M from the Legislature and a \$500,000 match from Port and Harbor reserves that will support a loan. At the next meeting two ordinances are needed; one to appropriate matching funds and one for a loan. The floor plans will be provided at the next meeting.

13. PENDING BUSINESS

14. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Memorandum 14-007**, from City Clerk, Re: Recommendations for Reducing Meetings of Committees and Commissions.

AMENDED and APPROVED: Lease Committee will return to administrative make-up. Transportation Advisory Committee and Port and Harbor Improvement Committee will disband.

No special meetings or formation of new committees/task forces without prior Council approval.

Remaining committees and commissions will review their meeting schedule to see if modifications can be made to reduce the number of meetings.

15. RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution 14-010**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Directing the City Manager to Produce on the Estimated Costs, Financing Options, Policy Considerations, and Feasibility of Constructing a "Loop" Water and Sewer Connection That Extends Up West Hill Road, Across Skyline Drive, and Down East Hill Road; to Be Presented and Discussed at a Future Worksession Scheduled by the City Council. Burgess. Recommend adoption.

ADOPTED with discussion.

- B. **Resolution 14-011**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Expressing the Future Intention to Create Deferred Assessments on Property Benefitting From the Future Construction of the Shellfish Avenue/South Slope Drive Water Main Extension. City Manager/Public Works Director. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 14-008 from Public Works Director as backup.

Councilmember Burgess was recused from discussion due to a conflict of interest.

FAILED with discussion.

- C. **Resolution 14-012**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Expressing the Future Intention to Create Deferred Assessments on Property Benefitting From the Future Construction of the Kachemak Drive (Phase III) Water Main Extension Project. City Manager/Public Works Director. Recommend adoption.

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- D. **Resolution 14-016**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Awarding the Contract for the Refurbishment Services of Three Pedestal Cranes on Homer Fish Dock to the Firm of Oil & Gas Supply Company of Kenai, Alaska, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$82,625 Per Crane and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Clerk/Port and Harbor Director. Recommend adoption.

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AMENDED: After Line 39 add three whereas: WHEREAS, Problems with Susitna salmon production have been identified and are the result of freshwater habitat issues; and WHEREAS, Intensive management of saltwater fisheries will never solve the problems found in the freshwater habitats of spawning and rearing salmon; and WHEREAS, The Board of Fisheries should eliminate restrictions on Central District drift gillnetting during the July 9 through July 31 time period because it is now known that these restrictions are not an effective method of improving Susitna sockeye production.

AMENDED: Insert “strongly” before “opposing” on Lines 7 and 54.

ADOPTED with discussion.

- G. **Resolution 14-008**, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Approving a New Intergovernmental Wastewater Agreement Between the City of Homer and Kachemak City. City Manager.

POSTPONED to January 27, 2014.

16. COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were three who commented.

17. COMMENTS OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Wells was no longer at the meeting.

18. COMMENTS OF THE CITY CLERK

City Clerk Johnson had no comment.

19. COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Wrede had no comment.

20. COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Wythe appreciates the work Council has done tonight. There were a lot of things on the agenda; that is the fine for taking a month off. She understands the confusion and concern about consideration for a new fire hall. She is always at a loss when people interpret actions of the Council to be doing things without regard to the process. The process may not happen exactly as people think it will, but the process will take place. This is keeping a 5-year project as such, instead of having it turn into a 20-year project.

21. COMMENTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Howard thanked the Mayor for her guidance through a tough meeting. She congratulated Michael Armstrong and McKibben Jackinsky on their reporting awards and to Homer News for 50 years of service. She encouraged citizens to watch for the advertisements about the Citizens Academy.

Councilmember Lewis let everyone know to stop by the rink tomorrow night to watch the high school hockey team play. The puck drops at 7.

Councilmember Burgess asked for information on the murder of Mark Matthews. Please come forward if you know anything. We all want to have a safe town. It is a moral issue. He echoed the Mayor's comments about the public safety building. It was misleading the public for Mr. Castner to say we were rushing ahead. We have no plans to demolish the HERC building. It is part of the planning and providing a forum for public input. He thanked everyone for allowing him to participate telephonically.

Councilmember Van Dyke hopes Councilmember Burgess comes back sunburned.

Councilmember Zak commented citizens will have a chance to weigh in on Ordinance 14-03 at the next meeting. He hopes the Boys and Girls Club finds a new home; it is sad that they are moving out of HERC. He wished everyone a Happy New Year. We need to be careful about the economic impact on restrictions on the drift net fishery. He thanked the citizens that came out tonight. It is good for the community to get together.

Councilmember Roberts is glad to see the people from the fishing community share their concerns about the proposed fishing regulations.

22. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Wythe adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m. The next Regular Meeting is Monday, January 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., Committee of the Whole 5:00 p.m., and Worksession 4:00 p.m. All meetings scheduled to be held in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.