

ACTION AGENDA
Monday, May 12, 2014
Committee of the Whole
Regular Meeting

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

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

Mayor Wythe called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Councilmember Zak 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. Ordinance 14-19, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Homer, Alaska, Amending the Homer City Zoning Map to Rezone Portions of the Rural Residential (RR), Urban Residential (UR) and Residential Office (RO) Zoning Districts to East End Mixed Use (E-MU). Van Dyke.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

5. REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

6. COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments of the audience.

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

Mayor Wythe adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Session 14-15 a Regular Meeting of the Homer City Council was called to order on May 12, 2014, at 6:00 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, HOWARD, LEWIS, ROBERTS,
VAN DYKE, ZAK

STAFF:

CITY MANAGER WREDE
CITY CLERK JOHNSON
CITY ATTORNEY KLINKNER
FINANCE DIRECTOR LI
IT MANAGER POLOS
LIBRARY DIRECTOR DIXON
PORT AND HARBOR DIRECTOR HAWKINS
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MEYER

Councilmember Zak has requested telephonic participation.

Councilmember Zak 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: ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/BOROUGH REPORT/COMMISSION REPORTS - Letter of thanks from Ruther Dickerson, Homer Community Food Pantry; CITY MANAGER'S REPORT - Games Report, Alaska Marine Conservation Council.

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

There were seven 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 April 28, 2014. City Clerk. Recommend adoption.
- B. **Ordinance 14-19**, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Homer, Alaska, Amending the Homer City Zoning Map to Rezone Portions of the Rural Residential (RR), Urban Residential (UR) and Residential Office (RO) Zoning Districts to East End Mixed Use (E-MU). Van Dyke. Recommended dates: Introduction May 12, 2014, Refer to the Planning Commission.

Moved to Ordinances.

- C. **Ordinance 14-20**, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council Amending Homer City Code 21.18.030, Conditional Uses and Structures, 21.24.030, Conditional Uses and Structures, and 21.26.030, Conditional Uses and Structures, to Add Farmers' Market as a Conditional Use in the Central Business District, General Commercial 1 and General Commercial 2 Zoning Districts. Roberts. Recommended dates: Introduction May 12, 2014, Refer to the Planning Commission.

Moved to Ordinances.

- D. **Ordinance 14-21**, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY 2014 Budget by Appropriating an Additional \$6,000 from the Port and Harbor Fleet Reserves to Acquire a Used, Full Size, Four Wheel Drive Pick-Up Truck for Harbor Operations. City Manager/Port and Harbor Director. Recommended dates: Introduction May 12, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading May 27, 2014.

Memorandum 14-076 from Port and Harbor Director as backup.

- E. **Ordinance 14-22**, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY 2014 Operating Budget to Provide for Natural Gas Conversions to City Buildings by Appropriating \$99,274 from Various City Reserve Funds. City Manager/Public Works Director. Recommended dates: Introduction May 12, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading May 27, 2014.

Memorandum 14-077 from Public Works Director as backup.

- F. **Resolution 14-050**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Extending the City of Homer Prisoner Meal Service Contract for One Year to the Firm of Homer Senior

Citizens, Inc. of Homer, Alaska, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Clerk. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 14-078 from Police Chief as backup.

- G. **Resolution 14-051**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Awarding the Tri-Annual Contract for Public Works Gravel Supply for 2014, 2015, and 2016 to the Firm of R/C Land Improvement of Anchor Point, Alaska, in the Amount of \$37,682.00 for 2014 and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Clerk. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 14-079 from Public Works Superintendent as backup.

- H. **Resolution 14-052**, A Resolution of the Homer City Council Proclaiming Homer to be a Green Dot Community. Mayor. Recommend adoption.

Ordinance 14-19 was moved to Ordinances A. (Lewis)

Ordinance 14-20 was moved to Ordinances B. (Burgess)

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

6. VISITORS

- A. Megan Murphy, Community Health Needs Assessment, 15 minutes

Megan Murphy provided a PowerPoint on the Community Health Needs Assessment.

- B. Bob Letson, South Peninsula Hospital, 10 minutes

Bob Letson, CEO, of South Peninsula Hospital, provided a PowerPoint on hospital operations.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/BOROUGH REPORTS REPORT/COMMISSION REPORTS

- A. Mayor's Proclamation – National Hospital Week, May 11-17, 2014

Mayor Wythe read and presented the proclamation to Bob Letson.

- B. Borough Report

C. Commissions/Board Reports:

1. Library Advisory Board
2. Homer Advisory Planning Commission
3. Economic Development Advisory Commission
4. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

Dave Brann, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissioner, reported a good cleanup day at Karen Hornaday Park. They got rid of some of the dangerous items that caused concerns and the white connex is now green. The group walked along Woodard Creek and Fairview Avenue to look at trail options. The commission has looked at traffic calming issues within the park to slow down traffic and to keep pedestrians separated from the roads. Carey Meyer, Public Works Director, will talk about speed bumps at the next meeting. Mr. Brann thanked the HOWL kids for cleaning up the bottom of Woodard Creek. He expressed appreciation for the trail improvements around the harbor. The park walk-thru is scheduled for May 23rd at 4:00 p.m. at Coal Point Park. Park Day is planned for August; Coal Point Park will be highlighted. Commissioner Brann thanked the Rotary Club for cleaning up the parks and city employee Angie who is ambitious and enthusiastic and responds immediately. Lastly he recognized Bike to Work Week and encouraged both bikers and drivers to be safe while sharing the road.

5. Port and Harbor Advisory Commission

D. Letter of thanks from Ruth Dickerson, Homer Community Food Pantry

8. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- A. **Ordinance 14-14(S)**, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council, Enacting HCC 2.80.100, Limitation Period, Establishing a Limitation Period for Filing a Complaint of a Violation of the City Ethics Code of Five-Years or One Year After Discovery of the Violation. City Clerk. City Clerk. Introduction March 24, 2014, Public Hearings April 14, April 28, and May 12, 2014 and Second Reading May 12, 2014.

Memorandum 14-046 from City Clerk as backup.

There was one who testified.

ADOPTED without discussion.

Mayor Wythe called for a recess at 7:04 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

- B. **Ordinance 14-17(A)**, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending Homer City Code 2.08.040.m Regarding Compensation for the Mayor and Council, and Amending the FY 2014 Operating Budget by Appropriating \$8,775.00 From the General Fund-Fund Balance for Mayor and Council Member Compensation. Burgess/Lewis/Roberts. Introduction April 28, 2014, Public Hearing and Second Reading May 12, 2014.

There was no public testimony.

FAILED with discussion.

9. ORDINANCE(S)

- A. **Ordinance 14-19**, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Homer, Alaska, Amending the Homer City Zoning Map to Rezone Portions of the Rural Residential (RR), Urban Residential (UR) and Residential Office (RO) Zoning Districts to East End Mixed Use (E-MU). Van Dyke. Recommended dates: Introduction May 12, 2014, Refer to the Planning Commission.

REFERRED to the Planning Department. POSTPONED to no time certain.

- B. **Ordinance 14-20**, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council Amending Homer City Code 21.18.030, Conditional Uses and Structures, 21.24.030, Conditional Uses and Structures, and 21.26.030, Conditional Uses and Structures, to Add Farmers' Market as a Conditional Use in the Central Business District, General Commercial 1 and General Commercial 2 Zoning Districts. Roberts. Recommended dates: Introduction May 12, 2014, Refer to the Planning Commission.

AMENDED to add Open-Air Business to the three districts and REFERRED to the Planning Commission.

10. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. City Manager's Report

City Manager Wrede recognized the 1 Million visitors that went through the library turnstile. The Friends of the Library recognized the patron and made a big deal of it. Over 100,000 people visit the library each year. Police Sgt. Ryan Browning just returned from an intensive two-month training academy for police administration.

Mayor Wythe recognized eight employees with a combined 44 years of service to the City.

The Public Safety Building Review Committee talked about razing the two buildings on the HERC site and building something different in that location. On May 22nd at 5:30 p.m. a public hearing will be held on the site selections for the building. The committee will narrow the sites down to three specific lots. On May 23rd the GCCM will be here to develop a list for reviewing the properties.

Councilmember Lewis asked for a calculation on how much the City has saved by using iPads.

The Cottonwood Horse Park is paying off the mortgage on their property and they are having a celebration over Memorial Day weekend. The Spit looks good with the new art, paving, and the restrooms. Kudos to the city staff and everyone involved in the projects.

B. Bid Report

C. Games Report

1. Alaska Marine Conservation Council

11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

A. City Attorney Report of April 2014

12. COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Public Arts Committee

B. Permanent Fund Committee

C. Port and Harbor Improvement Committee

D. Employee Committee Report

E. Port and Harbor Building Task Force

Councilmember Howard reported the harbor building design is now at 95% and is out to bid. A preconstruction meeting will be held on May 28th with the bid award before Council at their second meeting in June. On June 2nd there is a 5:00 p.m. meeting to discuss exterior colors of the building.

Councilmember Howard reported the Vessel Haul-Out Task Force has had a high level of interest from big hitters. Survey results will be forthcoming at the meeting on Friday, May 16th at 3:30 p.m. There have been several months of high paying jobs enjoyed while working on large vessels in the haul-out area.

F. Public Safety Building Review Committee

1. Minutes of April 29, 2014

Mayor Wythe encouraged the Council and the public to participate in selecting the building site for the new public safety building.

13. PENDING BUSINESS

14. NEW BUSINESS

15. RESOLUTIONS

16. COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments of the audience.

17. COMMENTS OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Klinkner had no comments.

18. COMMENTS OF THE CITY CLERK

City Clerk Johnson had no comments.

19. COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Wrede had no comments.

20. COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Wythe expressed appreciation for the Green Dot people. Citizens and people willing to stand up against incidents will make it happen. Per a citizen's request to mention noxious weeds, you should pop the heads off dandelions and properly dispose of them before they go to seed.

21. COMMENTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Van Dyke expressed appreciation for the hospital and staff and Green Dot.

Councilmember Zak acknowledged the wonderful and expert services of the hospital, Green Dot, and the mortgage pay off for the Cottonwood Horse Park.

Councilmember Burgess thanked the South Peninsula Hospital and Megan Murphy with MAPP. This week there will be meetings on Thursday and Friday to review the MAPP assessments and decide the goal in moving forward. Councilmember Burgess related the awesome experience his father has had with the hospital. He suggested painting the harbor building bright safety orange. Since the City's major asset is the harbor, we need to run and treat it as a business. The city ethics code is above and beyond the State. It provides a high degree of anonymity. He urged those that file ethics complaints as a personal vendetta to use the law for the better benefit of the community and not for personal intentions. The City budgets several hundred thousand dollars a year for legal fees and the taxpayers pay for frivolous ethics complaints.

Councilmember Howard announced the volunteer appreciation event that will be held the last Friday in September. It is to honor over 100 citizens that have helped us do our job. Mayor and Council will be asked to play a role in making the volunteers know they are appreciated. Councilmember Howard thanked the municipal clerks, Jo, Melissa, and Renee, for their work and the City Manager and City Attorney for their support to them.

Councilmember Lewis echoed Councilmember Burgess' and Van Dyke's comments on the hospital. He too has received excellent service at the hospital. He suggested a raffle for a free colonoscopy to help raise funds for the hospital. He mentioned the new trail on the Spit that passes by the ramps. He urged everyone to be careful and pay attention to the pedestrians.

Councilmember Roberts had no comments.

22. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Wythe adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m. The next Regular Meeting is Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. and Committee of the Whole 5:00 p.m. A special meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 19, 2014 at

6:00 p.m. All meetings scheduled to be held in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.