



Action Agendas

Special Meeting, Committee of the Whole & City Council Regular Meeting

Monday, January 27, 2025 at 6:00 PM

City Hall Cowles Council Chambers In-Person & Via Zoom Webinar

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SPECIAL MEETING

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CALL TO ORDER, 3:30 P.M.

Mayor Lord all the meeting at 3:30

Councilmember Davis requested excusal and timely notice was provided.

AGENDA APPROVAL (Only those matters on the noticed agenda may be considered, pursuant to City Council's Operating Manual, pg. 6)

ADDERHOLD/VENUTI MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA (3 minute time limit)

There was no public present.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Memorandum CC-25-023 from City Clerk re: Request for Executive Session Pursuant to AS 44.62.310 (A-C)(2) Subjects that Tend to Prejudice the Reputation and Character of any Person, Provided the Person May Request a Public discussion (City Manager Jacobsen Six-Month Performance Evaluation)

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Mayor Lord introduced the item by reading of the title and requested a motion and second.

ADDERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO AS 44.62.310 (A-C)(2) SUBJECTS THAT TEND TO PREJUDICE THE REPUTATION AND CHARACTER OF ANY PERSON PROVIDED

THAT THE PERSON MAY REQUEST A PUBLIC DISCUSSION. CITY MANAGER'S 6 MONTH PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.

There was no discussion and a roll call vote was requested.

VOTE. YES. ADERHOLD, HANSEN, ERICKSON, PARSONS, VENUTI

Motion carried.

Mayor Lord adjourned the meeting to executive session at 3:40 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 4:40 p.m.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There was no public in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT NO LATER THAN 4:50 P.M.

Mayor Lord adjourned the meeting at 4:43 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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CALL TO ORDER, 5:00 P.M.

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

Councilmember Davis has requested excusal and timely notice was provided.

AGENDA APPROVAL (Only those matters on the noticed agenda may be considered, pursuant to City Council's Operating Manual, pg. 6)

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Erickson initiated discussion on Resolution 25-007 requesting clarification on the amount and where it originated.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Council discussed the following items:

- Memorandum CC-25-026 Harbor Liability Insurance Amendment
 - Staff will bring forward an ordinance to amend the Tariff for the next meeting.

- Ordinance 25-09 Clarification on if this is additional monies or new.
 - Amount requested is for grant writing assistance for very technical aspects of the BCA (Benefit Cost Analysis) which is highly technical data and 40% of the costs and is due to the size and costs of the project.
 - Including the BCA due of comments received from Grantor.
 - The City does not have this skill set.
 - Next meeting will present resolution to award a Task Order to HDR.
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- Ordinance 24-67(S) clarification on if Council decides to vote this down and what the grant implications would be to the city.
- Ordinance 25-08 Enacting Title 2.30 Incident Management
 - Expressed appreciation for the Memorandum from Councilmember Erickson
 - Who has reviewed this ordinance and provided input
 - Importance to have leadership in the right order.
 - Where was this before, policy or city code and what rational was there to have this codified?
 - Research showed that Seward and Wasilla
 - Will review and incorporate into Emergency Operations Plan.
- Ordinance 25-01 and Memorandum CC-25-028
 - Council options related to these topics.
 - Vote yes or no.
 - Council would like to view the plat to see how the conditions are binding, builders promise and then don't how will the easement and buffer be ensured.
 - Council can postpone the decision until the next meeting if they want more time on the vacation.
 - 20' public use is on the CUP and is binding
 - Staff will ensure those conditions are met or they don't get the zoning permit, therefore no construction.
 - Public Access Easement will be dedicated and recorded
 - does not need to be shown on the plat to be recorded.
 - Platting Authority makes the decision, preference is to have it noted on the plat.
 - Clarification on the replat of the property
 - Planning Department will receive application, present to PC as a plat consideration, public can comment, Commission will make comments and recommendation to the Borough
 - Planning Commission will review and approve and this is forwarded to surveyor and applicant and then they schedule for presentation to the Borough Planning Commission for Public Hearing.
 - Preliminary Approval on Preliminary Plat is on Feb 10th
 - A Public Hearing will be held at that time.

- Road Access from Project Site to Homer Spit Road and Kachemak Drive regarding traffic impact at the intersection and left hand turns during May-Sept.
 - Right hand turns present no issues however left hand turns present dangerous situations and create congestion.
 - Comment provided on the issues from the Aspen Suites recently provided by a truck driver.

Mayor Lord reiterated that there are two issues before Council that are separate discussions. The rezone and the vacation of the ROW. She encouraged a postponement if Council needed more information and time for review.

Councilmembers requested historical timeline for the project, noting it did not need to be detailed and presented additional questions on the 20 foot easement and 30 foot buffer for Staff to provide responses for the February meeting.

DISCUSSION TOPIC(S)

- a. FY26/FY27 Budget Schedule

There was no time for this item to be brought forward for discussion.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were two who commented.

ADJOURNMENT NO LATER THAN 5:50 P.M.

Mayor Lord adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Lord called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and attending persons recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmember Davis has requested excusal and timely notice was provided.

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

Mayor Lord read the Supplemental Items for the record: **CONSENT AGENDA** Item e. Resolution 25-006, Approving a Lease Assignment from Eagle Eye Charters, LLC DBA Bob's Trophy Charters to The Dragging Anchor, LLC Memorandum CC-25-037 from Deputy City Clerk as backup. Item f. Resolution 25-007, Stating the City's Intention to Formally Partner with the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities in Local Sponsorship of a US Army Corps of Engineers General Investigation to Address Homer Spit Coastal Erosion a corrected Resolution 25-007 fixing typographical error on Line 95 (Missing zero). **PUBLIC HEARINGS** Item a. Ordinance 25-01, Amending

the Homer City Zoning Map to Rezone a Portion of the Rural Residential (RR) Zoning District to General Commercial 1 (GC1) Zoning District. Public Comments Received. Item b. Ordinance 25-02, Appropriating \$135,000 for the Purchase of Twenty Acres located North of Karen Hornaday Hillside Park a corrected Financial Supplement identifying the correct fund and public comment received. **ORDINANCES** Item a. Ordinance 25-08, Amending Homer City Code to Add Chapter 2.30 Entitled Incident Management Planning. Memorandum CC-25-036 from Councilmember Erickson as backup. **NEW BUSINESS** b. Memorandum CC-25-028 from City Clerk re: Vacation of a Portion of B Street Right of Way Public Comment Received and requested a motion and second.

ADDERHOLD/VENUTI MOVE TO AMEND THE AGENDA WITH THE SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS AS READ.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

MAYORAL PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

Mayor Lord invited the Public to provide comment on any subject on the agenda except those ordinances for public hearing:

- Ordinance 25-01, Rezone a Portion of the Rural Residential (RR) Zoning District to General Commercial 1 (GC1) Zoning District.
- Ordinance 25-02, Appropriating \$135,000 for the Purchase of Twenty Acres located North of Karen Hornaday Hillside Park
- Ordinance 25-03, Accepting a Donation of \$4,296.81 for an ADA Accessible Picnic Table and Other Improvements at Bayview Park.
- Ordinance 25-04, Appropriating an Additional \$8,200 for Professional and Technical Assistance with the City's Application to the Port Infrastructure Development Program to Replace Float Systems 4 and 1 in the Small Boat Harbor.
- Ordinance 25-05, Appropriating \$24,000 to Replace the Fish Grinder Motor and Gearbox.
- Ordinance 25-06, Appropriating \$2,193 for the Ammonia Storage Tank for the City Ice Plant.

There were 17 who commented.

RECONSIDERATION

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Lord requested the Clerk to read the consent agenda into the record after clarification received on a question on process.

- a. Homer City Council Unapproved Regular Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2024. City Clerk. Recommend adoption.

- b. Memorandum CC-25-024 from Mayor re: Appointment of William Roth to the Port and Harbor Advisory Commission. Recommend approval.
- c. Ordinance 25-07, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$67,480.81 from the Homer Accelerated Water and Sewer Program (HAWSP) for the Purpose of Reimbursing Seven Property Owners in the Bunnell Ave/Charles Way Special Assessment District For the Cost of E-One Lift Stations. City Manager. Introduction January 27, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading February 10, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-030 from City Manager as backup.

- d. Ordinance 25-10, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Reappropriating FY23 State of Alaska Community Assistance Program Payment in the Amount of \$40,000 from the Workstation Upgrade to Microsoft Office 2021 Project. City Manager/Chief Technology Officer. Introduction January 27, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading February 10, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-034 from Chief Technology Officer as backup.

- e. Resolution 25-006, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Approving a Lease Assignment from Eagle Eye Charters, LLC DBA Bob's Trophy Charters to The Dragging Anchor, LLC; Approving Amendments to the Assigned Lease Under Sections 2.02 Quiet Enjoyment, 6.01 Use of Property, 6.02 Required Improvements, and 14.04 Addresses for Notices, Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents for the Assignment, Amendment and Extension of the Current Twenty Year Lease to a Full Twenty Year Lease with Options for Two Consecutive Five Year Renewals at an Initial Annual Base Rent of \$7,984.34 for Tract 1-B, Fishing Hole Subdivision No. 2. City Manager.

Memorandum CC-25-035 from Port Director as backup.

- f. Resolution 25-007, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Stating the City's intention to Formally Partner with the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities in Local Sponsorship of a US Army Corps of Engineers General Investigation to Address Homer Spit Coastal Erosion and Requesting the State of Alaska to Appropriate \$1,200,000 in the State FY2026 Capital Budget as the State's Share of the Local Sponsor Match Requirement of \$1.5 Million. Mayor.

ADDERHOLD/VENUTI MOVE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

VISITORS

ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS (5 Minute limit per report)

a. Strategic Planning Worksession Report

Mayor Lord provided a brief overview and noted a memorandum would be provided for Council.

b. Special Meeting Report

Mayor Lord reported Council held a special meeting in Executive Session regarding the six-month performance evaluation of City Manager Jacobsen.

c. Committee of the Whole Report

Councilmember Aderhold reported.

d. Mayor's Report

Mayor Lord reported receiving a request for a Letter of Support from South Peninsula Hospital which was in line with the project listed in the CIP and requested a resolution of legislative priorities from AML from Councilmember Aderhold for their trip to Juneau next month.

e. Borough Report

Mayor Lord noted Assemblyperson Cooper contacted her that there was no report for this meeting.

f. Americans with Disabilities Act Advisory Board

Councilmember Parsons reported that the Board has not met since the last meeting.

g. Economic Development Advisory Commission

Karin Marks, Chair, reported.

h. Planning Commission

Heath Smith, Commissioner, reported.

i. Port and Harbor Advisory Commission

Casey Siekaniec, Chair, reported.

j. Conversations with a Councilmember

i. Councilmember Erickson

Councilmember Erickson reported.

k. HART Policy Review

i. Memorandum CC-25-025 from Councilmembers Aderhold and Parsons

Councilmember Aderhold reported.

Mayor called a recess at 7:11 p.m. The meeting was called back to order at 7:19 pm

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Ordinance 25-01, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending Homer City Code 21.10.030 Amending the Homer City Zoning Map to Rezone a Portion of the Rural Residential (RR) Zoning District to General Commercial 1 (GC1) Zoning District. Planning Commission. Introduction January 13, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-004 from City Planner as backup.

Memorandum CC-25-029 from City Planner as backup.

Mayor Lord opened the public hearing for Ordinance 25-01.

There were nine who commented.

Mayor Lord closed the public hearing and requested a motion and second.

ADERHOLD VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 25-01 BY READING OF TITLE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Council expressed appreciation for the numerous comments submitted from the public and recognized the time and expense by Doyon to respond to the public, time expended by the Homer and Borough Planning Commissions on this issue. Further questions from Council and clarification provided by staff on the following items ensued:

- City Attorney Gatti commented on spot zoning in general
 - City Planner Foster provided clarification and examples of spot zoning
- Required conditions of the CUP
- 20 foot dedicated easement
- property setback
- process sequence and case studies where the rezone could have been completed at the end
- Choice of the applicant/property owner – property owner has the right to submit their applications
 - submitting one piece at a time does not present the total overall project to the Commission or authority and would take a lot longer time.
- There are other approval authorities involved in the overall project presented.
- Cited the denial, appeal and remand.
- Enforcement of the requirements for the rezone
 - Time is needed to update the map and city code.
- CUP was approved, if the vacation of the ROW is not approved but the Rezone is approved does there will be Split Zoning which is not ideal but they do have other instances of that in GC1 and other districts.
- Requested list of actions Council is able to take or not
- Outlining the conditions put on the project overall and how they are held in perpetuity and any actions that CC can take to effect those

Councilmembers expressed support for postponement due to the number of public comments received after the packet and during the previous breaks, information requested for clarification and needing time to review all the information.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO POSTPONE ORDINANCE 25-01 TO THE FEB 10TH MEETING.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- b. Ordinance 25-02, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$135,000 for the Purchase of Twenty Acres located North of Karen Hornaday Hillside Park with the Intent to Designate and Hold the Land as Public Park Land. Aderhold/Erickson/Hansen. Introduction January 13, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-005 from Community Development Director as backup.

Mayor Lord opened the public hearing for Ordinance 25-02.

There were five who commented.

Mayor Lord closed the public hearing and requested a motion and second.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 25-02 BY READING OF TITLE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Councilmembers expressed their appreciation to the group of private citizens for bringing this forward, commented on the recent deluge of rain and getting a thumbs up from the public, noting this action displays some of the city values and great example of citizens in action.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- c. Ordinance 25-03, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Accepting and Appropriating a Donation for the Homer Early Childhood Coalition through Sprout in the Amount of \$4,296.81 for an ADA Accessible Picnic Table and Other Improvements at Bayview Park. City Manager/Public Works Director. Introduction January 13, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-006 from Parks Maintenance as backup.

Mayor Lord opened the public hearing for Ordinance 25-03.

There was one who commented.

Mayor Lord closed the public hearing and requested a motion and second.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 25-03 BY READING OF TITLE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Councilmembers commented briefly on the changes effected in the city's parks and addressing accessibility and the city's efforts bringing forward citizen action.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- d. Ordinance 25-04, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY2025 Capital Budget by Appropriating an Additional \$8,200 from the Port Reserves for Task Order 24-02 for Professional and Technical Assistance with the City's Application to the Port Infrastructure Development Program to Replace Float Systems 4 and 1 in the Small Boat Harbor. City Manager/Port Director. Introduction January 13, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-007 from Port Director as backup.

Memorandum CC-25-032 from Port Director as backup.

Mayor Lord opened the public hearing for Ordinance 25-04. Seeing and having no public testimony she closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 25-04 BY READING OF TITLE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Councilmembers commented on bringing actions like this forward prior to executing in the future.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- e. Ordinance 25-05, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$24,000 from the Port Reserves Fund to Replace the Fish Grinder Motor and Gearbox. City Manager/Port Director. Introduction January 13, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-008 from Port Director as backup.

Mayor Lord opened the public hearing for Ordinance 25-05 having no one come forward to provide testimony she closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 25-05 BY READING OF TITLE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Councilmember Aderhold commented on the necessity to have an operational fish grinder for the Fish Grinding Building.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- f. Ordinance 25-06, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Appropriating an Additional \$2,193 from the Port Reserves Fund for the Ammonia Storage Tank for the City Ice Plant. City Manager/Port Director. Introduction January 13, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading January 27, 2025.

Memorandum CC-25-009 from Port Director as backup.

Mayor Lord opened the public hearing for Ordinance 25-05 having no one come forward to provide testimony she closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 25-06 BY READING OF TITLE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Councilmember Venuti commented on the additional costs due to freight and higher costs.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE(S)

- a. Ordinance 25-08, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending Homer City Code to Add Chapter 2.30 Entitled Incident Management Planning. Erickson. Introduction January 27, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading February 10, 2025.

Mayor Lord Introduced the ordinance by reading of the title and requested a motion.

ERICKSON/ADERHOLD MOVED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 25-08 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY.

Councilmembers expressed their support for the introduction of the ordinance making it clear who would be in charge, reviewing and updating the management plan to make sure there were no discrepancies between the two and this moves the city in the right direction.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried

Mayor Lord noted that this item will be scheduled for public hearing at the February 10, 2025 regular meeting.

- b. Ordinance 25-09, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$50,000 from the Port Reserves Fund for the Purpose of

Obtaining Professional Grant Writing Services to Assist with a Federal FY2025 Port Infrastructure Development Program Grant Application to Replace Float Systems 4 and 1 in the Small Boat Harbor. City Manager/Port Director. Introduction January 27, 2025 Public Hearing and Second Reading February 10, 2025

Memorandum CC-25-033 from Port Director and Spec. Proj. Coord. as backup.

Mayor Lord introduced the ordinance by reading of the title and requested a motion.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 25-09 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY.

Councilmember Aderhold commented on the Council discussion during Committee of the Whole and a number of questions from Council were addressed by the Port Director and Grants Manager providing clarification for the Council.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

a. City Manager's Report

- City Council Worksession & Visitor Calendars – Updated
- Employee Anniversaries for January 2025

b. Financial Report

- General Fund Expenditure - Actuals thru Dec. 2024 50% FY Elapsed
- Financial Reporting Calendar 2025

City Manager Jacobsen noted her report and attachments in the packet; commented on the interest expressed from Council to having a resolution of the City's Legislative Priorities and Requests drafted for the next meeting and adding the Fire Station to that list;

There was interest on having a worksession on Staffing needs CM requested input from CC on there desire to do this

Aderhold – RAISE Federal Stop orders will check with Jenny

Erickson – Water runoff from Bluffs across from West Hill Road between MP171-173 happened on private property also along Highland Drive review done by PW Director

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Mayor called for a recess at 841 pm the meeting was recalled to order at 851pm

PENDING BUSINESS

- a. Ordinance 24-61, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$2,000,000 from the Homer Accelerated Roads and Trails (HART) Fund to the Ohlson Lane and West Bunnell Avenue Road Reconstruction Project. City Manager/Public Works Director. Introduced November 12, 2024, Public Hearing November 25, 2024 Postponed to January 27, 2025.

Memorandum CC-24-232 from Public Works Director as backup.

Mayor Lord introduced the ordinance by reading of the title.

City Clerk Krause clarified that there was a motion on the table from the November 25, 2024 to adopt the ordinance by reading of title for the second and final reading. That motion is as follows:

ADERHOLD/DAVIS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 24-61 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Councilmembers expressed concerns and impacts if the projects is not constructed and n review of the financial information provided felt better that it would not totally deplete the HART Roads fund stating that they would support the project.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- b. Ordinance 24-67, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY25 Capital Budget by Appropriating an Additional \$100,000 from the Homer Accelerated Roads and Trails (HART) Roads Fund to the Beluga Slough Green Infrastructure Stormwater Treatment System Project. City Manager/Public Works Director. Introduction November 25, 2024 Postponed to January 27, 2025. Public Hearing and Second Reading February 10, 2025.

Memorandum CC-24-245 from Public Works Director as backup.

Ordinance 24-67(S), An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY2025 Capital Budget by Appropriating an Additional ~~\$100,000~~ **\$360,000** from the Homer Accelerated Roads and Trails (HART) Roads Fund to the Beluga Slough Green Infrastructure Stormwater ~~Treatment System~~ **Management** Project. City Manager/Public Works Director.

Memorandum CC-25-031 from Public Works Director as backup.

Mayor Lord introduced the ordinance by reading of the title and requested a motion.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 24-67 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY.

Mayor Lord asked for a motion to substitute Ordinance 24-67 for Ordinance 24-67(S).

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE 24-67 WITH ORDINANCE 24-67(S) BY READING OF TITLE ONLY.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

Mayor Lord noted for the record that the Substitute Ordinance was before the Council for introduction.

Councilmembers commented on the cost estimate to construct the project and expressed that they cannot support it due to the limited funds and no immediate crisis, appreciation for the input from Public Works on this project, and acknowledged that there were no members of the public speaking out on the necessity of the project.

VOTE. NO. ADERHOLD, ERICKSON, VENUTI, HANSEN, PARSONS.

Motion failed.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Memorandum CC-25-027 from Parks Art Recreation & Culture Advisory Commission re: Strategic Plan & Goals

Mayor Lord introduced the item noting this was not an action item but a response to a request from Council via Resolution for discussion.

Councilmembers expressed their appreciation for the Commissions' efforts and conducting a SWOT analysis to determine their goals and items to focus their efforts.

- b. Memorandum CC-25-028 from City Clerk re: Vacation of a Portion of B Street Right of Way and Associated Utility Easements South of Bay Avenue granted by Bay View Subdivision Plat HM839

Mayor Lord introduced the item and welcomed input from the City Manager.

City Manager Jacobsen deferred to the City Planner Foster.

City Planner Foster reviewed the actions of the Borough Planning Commission and Homer Planning Commission, clarified the actions required by Council and provided additional input and clarification in response to questions from Council.

Councilmembers requested a timeline on the process from the staff and clarification on information provided in the packet.

ADERHOLD/PARSONS MOVED TO POSTPONE ACTION ON MEMORANDUM CC 25-028 TO FEBRUARY 10TH MEETING.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE: NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- c. Memorandum CC-25-026 from Port Director re: Port & Harbor Liability Insurance Requirements

Mayor Lord introduced the item and deferred to the Port Director.

Port Director Hawkins reviewed his memo regarding the liability insurance requirements provided input on previous actions performing research on the amounts required by other communities and harbors in Alaska and after community input and researching the national standards for recreational boat owners found that the high amount is unnecessary and as long as the vessel owners state they have coverage the city will be covered. He confirmed for Council that an ordinance would be presented at the next meeting.

RESOLUTIONS

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were two who commented.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Gatti had no comments

COMMENTS OF THE CITY CLERK

City Clerk Krause announced the vacancies for the Student position on the Economic Development Advisory Commission, the Port and Harbor Advisory Commission and ADA Advisory Board.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Jacobsen announced the Kenai Peninsula Tourism Working Group meeting.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Lord commented that she enjoyed the complexities and thoughtful questions for the meetings tonight.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Venuti commented that it was a good meeting, announced the Winter Carnival and put out a reminder that a Councilmember Hansen does use personal leave time for her job to attend these early meetings.

Councilmember Parsons expressed appreciation for the work of the staff and the public comments and participation on topics on the agenda.

Councilmember Aderhold recognized a former judge and current Library Advisory Boardmember Doug Baily wishing him a very Happy 88th Birthday.

Councilmember Erickson commented on the long meeting but acknowledged that it was very informative and interesting.

Councilmember Hansen commented on using her leave time to attend to early meetings and worksessions.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lord adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m., announcing the next Regular Meeting is Monday, February 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., Committee of the Whole at 5:00 p.m. A worksession is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. A worksession is scheduled for Monday, February 3, 2025 at 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.