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Memorandum

Agenda Changes/Supplemental Packet

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION
FROM: TRAVIS BROWN, PLANNING TECHNICIAN
DATE: August 4, 2021
SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL PACKET

REPORTS

B. Public Works Task Force

Public Works Task Force Meeting Minutes of July 14 & July 28, 2021. **p. 2**

PENDING BUSINESS

A. Staff Report 21-43, Marijuana Onsite Consumption Endorsement

Email comment from W. Jay Marley, Jr., DDS dated Aug. 3, 2021 **p. 16**

NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion from City to Dismiss Appeal of the Planning Commission Decision on Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 20-15 for the reconstruction of a restaurant building at 106 W. Bunnell Avenue, Homer, Alaska

Memorandum from Melissa Jacobsen, MMC, City Clerk Re: Proposed Dates for Continuance of Action on Motion to Dismiss **p. 17**

Session 21-09, a Regular Meeting of the Public Works Campus Task Force was called to order by Chair Donna Aderhold at 4:31 p.m. on July 14, 2021 via Zoom Webinar from the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska. One seat is vacant due to resignation.

PRESENT: MEMBERS ENGBRETSSEN, SLONE, VENUTI, KEISER, ADERHOLD, BARNWELL

STAFF: RENEE KRAUSE, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Aderhold requested a motion to amend the agenda to move New Business Item A to Pending Business Item B and renumbering Pending Business item B to Item C.

SLONE/VENUTI – MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA AS REQUESTED.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

There was no further discussion.

The amended agenda was approved by Consensus of the Task Force.

PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes for June 23, 2021

Chair Aderhold requested a motion to approve the minutes of June 23, 2021.

SLONE/KEISER MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

REPORTS

PENDING BUSINESS

A. Memorandum from Public Works Director re: Costs Related to Incremental Approach

Chair Aderhold introduced the item by reading of the title and invited Public Works Director Keiser to speak to her memorandum.

Ms. Keiser provided a summary of her memorandum and facilitated discussion on the following items:

- Site selection and recommendation
 - o Could use a smaller site to relocate the equipment, materials and mechanic shop
 - o Offices could be located in separate location, the Maintenance facility in Soldotna was provided as an example.
- Cost estimates
 - o Does not include fencing or security camera systems, costs for cameras run approximately \$20,000
 - o Not an exact figure just representative for the land cost, current site of interest is \$575,000
- Utilizing the existing facility for the Parks and Building Maintenance departments would lower the costs for a new facility and move those departments from the HERC facility
 - o While there would be the potential to lose equipment the impact would not be detrimental to the functions of the city and recovery in the case of a tsunami event
 - o Replacement costs would be substantially less for materials and equipment
 - o This point should be included in the report to Council
- New Fueling Depot could be placed on new site within the appropriate budget of \$200,000
 - o Old Police Department location is not a suitable location as there is not enough room even for temporary placement
- Project can be phased, utmost importance is on the purchase of land since there are extremely limited locations available currently
 - o Current facility which includes the Sewer Treatment Plant and Lagoon is about 5 acres
 - o 2 acres would be sufficient to start with option to purchase additional surrounding land preferred
 - o Design and Development would include the entire project so that they could build as they go
- Including content as a topic and this memorandum as an exhibit to the report
 - o Insert at line 268 within the report prefacing with the following statement, "of the three mitigation strategies, the Long Term Incremental Plan has the highest beneficial score. See page # laying out the plan's cost estimated at \$12 million."

B. Memorandum from Public Works Director re: Inefficiencies of the Existing Public Works Campus

Chair Aderhold introduced the item by reading of the title, inviting Public Works Director Keiser to present her report.

Public Works Director Keiser reviewed the additional information included in the memorandum in response to the comments received from the Task Force at the last meeting. She noted the additional information included that would support how detrimental, to the City and residents, the loss of the facility in the event of a catastrophic incident would be, plus consideration of the necessity for

replacement of the facility due to growth and age. Ms. Keiser provided anecdotal information related to the recent inspection of the fuel tank and conditions.

Chair Aderhold facilitated discussion on the following points:

- Information provided on the condition of existing fuel depot should be included in a section Additional Considerations: Obsolescence after line 269 in the report
 - o Refer to Mitigation Strategies in parentheses
 - o Should be included in the report after they have reported on the assigned tasks
 - o Distinguish between the two items tsunami and obsolescence
- The amount of work that Public Works was able to accomplish even during COVID
- Including information from the Planning Department in relation to the increase in building
 - o This would lead to residents wanting additional services such as water & sewer and paved roads
- Total existing footprint including parking lot for the Administrative building and shop is 36,000 square feet and the gravel pit area to the south is roughly 35,000 square feet.

Mr. Barnwell will provide a GIS square footage for the next meeting of the existing facility.

c. Draft Memorandum and Report to City Council on Tsunami Risk for the Public Works Campus

Chair Aderhold introduced the item by reading of the title and invited the Clerk to provide input.

Deputy City Clerk Krause reviewed the process that she employed to add each of the Task Force member's comments to the document. She noted that Members Slone and Keiser recommendations were submitted late and were provided in the supplemental packet. They will be incorporated in the document and the completed draft can then be presented at the next meeting with any additional recommendations from this meeting.

Chair Aderhold facilitated discussion on the draft memorandum and report. The following points, recommendations and comments were made:

- Too much verbiage, more like a lecture
 - o Should contain seven bullets
 - o These bullet points should be in place of the introduction and background section
- Clarification of which document and section to be addressed
- Timeline on submission to City Council
 - o August 9, 2021 Council meeting for presentation
 - o Written information should be exhaustive as it will be referred to many times in the future
 - o Highlight the most important points in the PowerPoint Presentation to Council
- Memo should focus on the specific topics assigned to the Task Force
 - o Bullet points on materials reviewed, mitigations, risks
- Memo should be used as the Executive Summary of the Report
 - o Remove the details from the draft and insert into the report
 - o Report to include the details and exhibits
- Steps and process to create the Memorandum and Report
 - o Memo/Executive Summary should include recommendation(s)

- Editing the current draft memo and report to make them cohesive
 - Member Keiser volunteered to perform that task
- Addressing the issue of obsolescence in the memo

Member Slone incurred connectivity issues at 5:26 p.m. After numerous options to try to connect from Zoom Member Slone joined Member Keiser at Public Works to continue the meeting.

- The Task Force has not formally voted on the recommendation to move the Existing Facility and that the new facility should be placed on the Lake Street property and should be on the next agenda.
 - Creating an issue with the property owner since there has been no contact with them
 - Carey Meyer is believed to have been in contact previously with the property owner
 - There has been brief contact with the listing agent
 - The City cannot pay more than fair market value so a commercial appraisal would be done either way so there is no concern on increased property prices
 - Council has asked us to do this

Chair Aderhold requested two motions on the mitigation strategies and the preferred location so they can be included in the report.

KEISER/SLONE MOVED TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT THE LONG TERM INCREMENTAL MITIGATION STRATEGY.

KEISER/SLONE MOVED TO ADOPT AS A PREFERRED LOCATION THE PROPERTY ON LAKE STREET AS IDENTIFIED BY CAREY MEYER AS A POTENTIAL SITE.

There was a brief discussion to amend the motion to show that it was due to the analysis performed by the Task Force not Carey Meyer for the basis of selecting that particular location.

KEISER/ENGBRETSSEN MOVED TO AMEND THE MOTION TO STATE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF THE TASK FORCE THAT THE LAKE STREET PROPERTY.

There was no further discussion.

VOTE.(Amendment). NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

There was no additional discussion on the motion as amended.

MOVED TO ADOPT AS THE PREFERRED LOCATION IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF THE TASK FORCE THE LAKE STREET PROPERTY

VOTE. (Main) NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

Member Slone inquired about including the Listing of Mitigation Strategies in the report as an exhibit.

Member Keiser responded that it is included in the report and showed Member Slone where it was located.

A brief discussion ensued on including recommendations on verbiage from Members Slone and Keiser; that the memorandum and report would be amended and edited to remove redundant information and the memorandum would serve as an executive summary for the report; Members Slone and Keiser would perform the editing tasks and submit to the Clerk for inclusion in the packet to be distributed by the Friday before the next meeting for final review; additional amendments can be presented to the Clerk for a laydown document or submitted during the meeting.

Chair Aderhold expressed appreciation to the Staff for getting the amount of information together and everyone contributing to the report.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Memorandum from Public Works Director re: Inefficiencies of the Existing Public Works Campus

This Item was moved to Pending Business item B.

- B. Next Steps

Chair Aderhold noted that they briefly discussed the Powerpoint Presentation to Council and they need to determine who will do that.

Member Engebretsen will create the Powerpoint Presentation and provide a draft for the next meeting. Member Barnwell will assist in presenting to City Council.

SLONE/VENUTI MOVED THAT MEMBER ENGBRETSSEN AND BARNWELL PRESENT THE POWERPOINT PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

The Task Force reviewed the exhibits that were to be included with the report. It was determined to have the following:

- Risks - Evaluation and Mitigation Spreadsheet
- Memorandums provided by Public Works Director Keiser – latest versions
- Resolution 20-125
- Inundation Map

- Capital Improvement Plan Sheet
- Cost Estimate Spreadsheet
- Reference to presentation from DGGS

It was determined that a webpage can contain a link to the minutes for the Task Force and the main report from DGGS.

Further documents to be added as exhibits to the main report were:

- Memorandums from Member Engebretsen on site recommendations

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

- A. Resolution 20-125 Establishing the Task Force and Outlining Scope of Work
- B. PWCTF Meeting Schedule
- C. Draft Risks, Evaluation, & Mitigation Spreadsheet
- D. 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Project Sheet - New Public Works Facility

Chair Aderhold reviewed the informational items.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF

Deputy City Clerk Krause commented on it being a good meeting, there was a lot to take in and appreciated the comments and recommendations.

COMMENTS OF THE TASK FORCE

Member Slone expressed appreciation for the work that was done by the Clerk and Member Keiser on establishing the basic framework that they were able to build upon, there was a lot of information and believed they were going to be able to narrow it down and refine for the next meeting. He was also hoping that they did not have to have two additional meetings before presenting their final work to City Council.

Member Keiser expressed her heartfelt thanks for the support in their mission and the ability to perform the mission of the Public Works Department makes her feel good that they have that kind of community and looks forward to the next steps in the process.

Member Barnwell agreed that it was a good meeting and appreciated the hard work done by everybody. He further stated that they reviewed a lot of hard technical information he appreciated Member Keiser getting right to the punch of it on what they should do. He also noted that he will send Member Keiser the footprint maps.

Member Engebretsen appreciated that they would be wrapping it up.

Member Venuti commented that 2025 doesn't sound too far away and as a Councilmember she never dreamed how much went on at Public Works and is in awe at how much is accomplished there. She was glad to have served on this Task Force as the information has been invaluable as a citizen but even more as a Councilmember. She stated that she is in awe of the volunteers and expressed her appreciation to Members Slone and Barnwell.

Chair Aderhold thanked everyone, announced the next meeting and adjourned the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Task Force the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 28, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

RENEE KRAUSE, MMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Approved:_____

Session 21-10, a Regular Meeting of the Public Works Campus Task Force was called to order by Chair Donna Aderhold at 4:32 p.m. on July 28, 2021 via Zoom Webinar from the City Hall Conference Room Upstairs located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska. One seat is vacant due to resignation.

PRESENT: MEMBERS ENGBRETSSEN, SLONE, VENUTI, KEISER, ADERHOLD, BARNWELL

STAFF: RENEE KRAUSE, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Aderhold requested a motion.

VENUTI/BARNWELL MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

Angie Newby, Real Estate Broker for the City of Homer, provided information on how she can facilitate the purchase of property for the city in the future for the possible relocation of the Public Works Campus. She provided some guidelines that are followed by the City in their purchases of property and the availability of commercial property within the city limits.

Ms. Newby responded to questions regarding appraisal values and assessed property values; current status of commercial real estate sales is not an overheated market like the residential real estate market.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes for July 14, 2021

Chair Aderhold requested a motion to approve the minutes of July, 14, 2021.

VENUTI/BARNWELL MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 14, 2021 MEETING.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS

REPORTS

Chair Aderhold read into the record that the Task Force's final report is now scheduled for the August 23, 2021 regular meeting as there are time sensitive items that need to be on the August 9, 2021 City Council meeting.¹

PENDING BUSINESS

- A. Draft Memorandum for the Final Report to City Council
 - Final Revision Draft
 - Draft Memorandum from Member Slone and Member Keiser

Chair Aderhold introduced the item by reading of the title and requested clarification from Deputy City Clerk Krause.

Deputy City Clerk Krause explained that pages 10-14 in the packet was the final version of the memorandum containing the edits of Member Slone and Member Keiser. This memorandum was submitted by Member Keiser.

The document in the packet on pages 15-18 contained all three recommended versions from Member Slone to the memorandum. Ms. Krause stated that it was included as a reference for the Task Force. She further stated for clarification that Member Slone provided further edits to the memorandum and these are provided as a laydown for this meeting.

Chair Aderhold facilitated discussion and the Task Force addressed the Memorandum section by section amending the following:

Introduction and Background Section of Memorandum:

- Second paragraph remove duplicated "A" first word
- Second paragraph, sixth line, replaced the word "obviating" with the words "severely restricting"

Task Force Evaluation & Recommendations:

- Under Section III. Ranking Scale Delete Second and Third Sentence in their entirety.
- Clarification was provided on the ranking scale and it was noted that the table was on page 70 of the packet.

- B. Draft Final Report to City Council on Tsunami Risk to Public Works Campus
 - Exhibits proposed to be included (not in prioritized order)

Chair Aderhold introduced the item by reading the title and requested clarification on the documents in the packet.

Deputy City Clerk Krause provided the following clarification:

¹ Information from the City Manager through Deputy City Clerk Krause

- Draft document incorporating all edits was on pages 19-25.
- Pages 26-38 contained the original draft with all edits shown.
- Member Slone submitted additional edits that were provided as a laydown for this meeting and were not addressed in either draft in the packet.

Chair Aderhold facilitated discussion and additional edits to the draft document on pages 26-38 of the packet as follows:

- Line 13, Correct elevation should reflect 35 feet and the correct terminology for high tide
- Line 52 through 59 bullet points
- Line 64, change the word “hard” to “identify”
- Line 64-66, delete and replace with “If Homer is struck by an unexpected geological event then the City could incur significant long-term costs in terms of private and municipal property damage, as well as potential loss of life.”
- Line 81-82 Delete sentence and replace with “Just as we cannot predict earthquakes or landslides with any accuracy, in the same manner we cannot predict a tsunami.”
- Line 87-88, Change the word “could” to “would”
 - o The Task Force did not agree with adding a sentence regarding the effect of submarine landslides to the Homer Spit citing that it was irrelevant to the Public Works Campus.
- Commissioner Barnwell brought forward the terminology used in the report was maximum wave height above Mean Higher High Water (MHHW). This is defined as the average of the higher high water height of each tidal day observed over the national tidal datum.
 - o Line 13 would be edited to read 35 feet Mean Higher High Water
 - o This is not 35 feet above zero
 - o Referring to the Inundation Map and the 35 foot is just above that so it takes into account that MHHW
 - o Reference the terminology so that the general public can use it Member Engbretsen will provide some terminology for them to use in the report.
- Line 159, correct the word “is” to “in”
- Line 162 incorporate with Line 161, edit to read “and too few in number”
- Line 169, Delete the words “The City” and the “s” from the word “take” and the period at the end.
- Line 173 add the word “entire” in front of the words “Public Works Facility” for more clarity
- Line 176-179, Order is as suggested, add the word “strategies”
- Line 181 -188 correct all capitalization

Chair Aderhold called for a recess at 5:35 p.m. The meeting was called back to order at 5:41 p.m.

Chair Aderhold continued the discussion and editing noting that Member Slone suggested removing the comma after the word danger in line 185. Member Slone noted that there were several grammatical edits that he would like to recommend.

A brief discussion ensued on focusing on addressing the substance edits and to leave the final edit to one person as it was too difficult to perform by committee.

Chair Aderhold continued the editing by progressing to page 32 of the packet and addressing the following:

- Line 199, add the words “worst case” before tsunami
- Line 221-222, remove “sand and gravel”
- Line 222, insert the word “essential” before the word equipment
- Line 224, recommended adding the words “such as rolling stock and the Maintenance Shop” after the word campus
 - o Appears redundant since items are listed in the previous bullet point
 - o Is the Mechanic’s Shop and Motor Pool Shop two different or the same
 - Different shops one is used for repair of the vehicles and the other is used for the equipment operators to bring in the equipment to get it ready for use – such as installing chains, etc.
- Line 224, Change the word “essential” to “these”

Member Engebretsen requested clarification on the recommendation to relocate the Mechanic’s Shop to the Heath Street location and this is the first time that she fully understood the Motor Pool Shop is a separate facility. She then provided a scenario of her understanding.

Member Keiser explained that the Motor Pool would also be moved to the new location.

Member Engebretsen noted that they did not make the connection in their memorandum to Council or in the document.

Member Keiser recommended that they amend the bullet point, Relocate the Campus, reflect that information regarding two of the most critical spaces are the shop for the mechanics and the separate shop for the operators both of which are being recommended to be moved.

Member Engebretsen then noted that her presentation will show that by moving those services to the new location, it would open the area at the existing facility for the use of the Parks and Building Maintenance Departments.

Member Keiser concurred stating that all heavy equipment maintenance will be moved to the new location and those working with small engines will stay in the existing facility.

- Line 222, Add the words “Mechanics Shop”
- Line 220, rename the title to “Relocate the Mission Critical Portions of the Campus”
- Include the equipment barns in the listing
- Address the capitalization of the word tsunami throughout the document
- Address the capitalization of the word department throughout the document
- Line 275 to 286 were previously identified on line 166-179 and there are differences
 - o Remove Lines 275 through 286 due to redundancy
 - o Removing these lines negates the explanation of the defined goals of two and three
 - o Further review and comparison the lines 166-188 should be deleted as it is too early in the document, additional comments on removing the Lines 157 through 188
- Line 305, Insert the Table from page 70 in the packet
- Remove as Exhibit Memorandum on pages 68-70 of the packet

- Line 308, Section reflects the memorandum on pages 57-59 of the packet and that memorandum should be removed as an exhibit.
 - o Paragraph defining the Motor Pool similar to the Mechanics Sop to provide clarification
 - o Paragraph on the magnitude of scale to aide in the visualization of the space required is needed
 - Incorporating the square footage information provided on pages 60-62
- Line 314, delete the words, “The purpose of this Memorandum is to identify” and insert the words, “The Task Force identified”
- Lines 310-313, Morph some of the content into the following paragraph that starts at Line 314 and delete remaining verbiage.
- Line 425-426, Delete the verbiage up to “The Task Force”
- Line 428, delete the words as a practicable matter”
- Line 430, Add language, “This recommendation allows for the Parks and Building Maintenance Departments to be relocated from the Homer Education & Recreation Complex (HERC) to the existing Public Works Campus Facility” or similar language.
 - o Change the language to “Following the Task Force recommendations will allow for the Parks and Building Maintenance Departments to be relocated to the existing Public Works Campus”

Chair Aderhold confirmed that when they decide on the final recommendations they will be copied to the final draft. She then confirmed that the Clerk will compile the document with all edits and submit for final review and proofing and the document will then go into the packet for Task Force review and approval.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Draft PowerPoint Presentation to City Council

Chair Aderhold introduced the item by reading of the title and invited Member Engebretsen to provide her draft PowerPoint presentation.

Member Engebretsen provided the following information while showing her draft slides to the Task Force:

- Cover page
- Recommendation first
 - o Level of Specificity will be provided later in the report
- Background
 - o Tsunami Report
 - o Task Force Formed
- Research
- Site Selection process
- Considerations
- Conclusion
 - o Moving only a portion of public works
 - o Value in using the existing facility

- HERC information
- Next Steps

Member Engebretsen reported that she envisions no more than ten slides at three minutes per slide.

Member Barnwell recalled a former employer who was a Colonel and he strongly emphasized that a presentation should be no more than eight slides.

Chair Aderhold recalled a photo of a piece of equipment that could not fit into the Mechanic's shop which would be a great focal point showing that they have outgrown the facility.

Deputy City Clerk Krause suggested a different color pallet.

Member Barnwell requested that Julie schedule a time that they can meet to review and discuss the presentation the week of August 2, 2021.

B. Next Steps

Chair Aderhold reviewed the following for the next meeting:

- Review of final draft memorandum and report
- Review of final draft presentation
- The task Force will disband after the final report to Council unless directed by Council to perform additional work.
- The next meeting will be available by hybrid as well even from the Council Chambers.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

COMMENTS OF THE CITY STAFF

Deputy City Clerk Krause commented that it was a very good meeting, the Task Force got through a heck of a lot of materials, and it is really appreciated.

COMMENTS OF THE TASK FORCE

Member Venuti appreciated being able to attend the meeting in this manner and as long as the numbers of COVID are high she will choose to attend meetings by Zoom. She acknowledged that it was a long meeting but is energized and really appreciates everyone being here.

Member Slone was unable to unmute his connection to comment.

Member Barnwell commented good meeting, a lot of work we got it done. He additionally thanked Member Engebretsen and Deputy City Clerk Krause for their long hours.

Member Keiser commented that she was so impressed by everyone and their attention to details and support. Thank you.

Member Engebretsen commented that it was great to get to the finish line and after participating on two task forces now it is most difficult at the end to get the wording how you want to present your work, so she expressed her appreciation for the effort and believed it would be really nice to present this information to Council.

Chair Aderhold tried Member Slone one more time but he was still unable to be un-muted. She then thanked him for hanging on and enduring the technological issues to attend meetings and encouraged him to stick in there and providing his comments in writing so the Task Force had them to work with.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Task Force the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

RENEE KRAUSE, MMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Approved: _____

From: [Melissa Jacobsen](#)
To: [Travis Brown](#); [Renee Krause](#)
Subject: FW: onsite consumption comments *revised*
Date: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 4:49:15 PM

From: Jay Marley <jaymarley@alaska.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 4:47 PM
To: Department Clerk <clerk@ci.homer.ak.us>
Subject: onsite consumption comments *revised*

CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders.

Dear Council and Planning/zoning members,

The recent discussion regarding onsite marijuana consumption at point of purchase is a bad idea. Quite simply, it promotes impaired driving. If an individual consumes onsite they (or someone they are with) will be driving. Contact highs are possible for even those who are not actively consuming but are present. The effects of marijuana are intoxicating and can be unpredictable depending on the individuals frequency of usage. It is a different drug than alcohol and therefore should be handled differently. We don't allow people to consume liquor at the liquor store.

Tourists that come to Homer are all staying somewhere in town and certainly can take the opportunity to consume at their destination. When operating a motor vehicle becomes a necessity after consumption a layer of danger has been added to public safety.

The possibility of onsite consumption does not promote the health, safety and wellness of our community.

I am opposed to onsite consumption.

Sincerely,

W. Jay Marley, Jr., DDS
City of Homer resident

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NOTICE OF MOTION TO DISMISS

July 6, 2021

To Parties of Record: Frank Griswold, Appellant
 Melody Livingston, Applicant
 Matt Early, Applicant's Representative
 Rick Abboud, City Planner

A motion to dismiss the appeal of Conditional Use Permit 20-15 was issued by the City, through its counsel of record, Jermain, Dunnagan and Owens, P.C., based on the applicant's withdrawal of their application for the conditional use permit. A copy of the motion is attached.

This matter was addressed by the Planning Commission at their June 6, 2021 regular meeting and it was discovered after the fact that the parties had not received notice of the motion to dismiss. This matter will be taken up again by the Planning Commission at their July 21, 2021 regular meeting to allow parties the opportunity to respond to the motion.

If you wish to provide written comments to the Planning Commission, please deliver them to the City Clerk's office or email them to rkrause@ci.homer.ak.us. Written comments must be received by Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. to be included in the meeting packet, or by Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. to be provided as a laydown item to the Commission.

Melissa Jacobsen, MMC, City Clerk

Cc: Attorney Gatti, City Manager