# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF KODIAK HELD FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2011 IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

# I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Gabriel T. Saravia called the meeting to order at 12 p.m. Councilmembers Patricia B. Branson, Charles E. Davidson, and Josefina F. Rosales were present and constituted a quorum. Councilmember John B. Whiddon was absent. City Manager Aimée Kniaziowski and City Clerk Debra L. Marlar was also present. *Clerk's Note: In accordance with City Charter Article X, Section 2 the Mayoral term for Pat Branson and the Councilmember terms for Randall Bishop and Terry Haines will commence at the next regular Council meeting.* 

### II. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEM ONLY

None.

#### III. Rescind Motion to Cancel the November 10, 2011, Regular Meeting

Historically, the City has conducted its regular November business at a meeting that is not held on what is considered the City's regular meeting days on the second and/or fourth Thursday of the month. The rescheduling of the November meetings has been necessary due to annual Council training, typically held during the week of the second Thursday and the Thanksgiving holiday, which falls on the fourth Thursday in November. At the October 27, 2011, regular meeting, a motion was made to cancel the November 10 and 24 regular meetings and schedule a special meeting for November 17, 2011.

On October 31, 2011, the City Clerk was informed by the City Attorney of a provision in City Charter Article X, Section 2, which stipulates the term of office of mayor or councilmember begins at the next regular council meeting following the certification of the election and upon taking the oath of office. It is the City's intent that newly-elected officials begin their terms as soon as the election is certified and the oath of office has been taken. In order to rectify this technicality and make it possible for the City's newly-elected officials to begin their terms as soon as possible, the motion that was made at the October 27, 2011, meeting to cancel the November regular meetings needs to be rescinded so that the November 10 regular meeting may be convened, thereby commencing the terms of the City's newly-elected officials. Although a quorum will not be present November 10, commencing this regularly scheduled meeting is a technical process that will enable the City's newly-elected officials to begin their terms of office as required by Charter X, Section 2. The items scheduled for the November 10 agenda will need to be taken up on November 17 when a quorum is anticipated to be present.

Councilmember Branson MOVED to rescind the motion canceling the November 10 and 24 regular meetings and scheduling a special meeting for November 17, 2011.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, and Saravia in favor. Councilmember Whiddon was absent. The motion passed. Councilmember Branson MOVED cancel the November 24 regular meeting and schedule a special meeting for November 17, 2011.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, and Saravia in favor. Councilmember Whiddon was absent. The motion passed.

# IV. Adjournment

Deputy Mayor Saravia adjourned the meeting at 12:08 p.m.



CITY OF KODIAK MAYOR

ATTEST:

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Minutes Approved: December 8, 2011