

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2012
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

Mayor Pat Branson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Councilmembers Randall C. Bishop, Charles E. Davidson, Terry J. Haines, Mark-Anthony G. Vizcocho, and John B. Whiddon were present and constituted a quorum. Councilmember Gabriel T. Saravia was absent. City Manager Aimée Kniazowski, City Clerk Debra L. Marlar, and Deputy Clerk Matthew Gandel were also present.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Salvation Army Sergeant Major Dave Blacketer gave the invocation.

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2012, regular meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Bishop, Davidson, Haines, Vizcocho, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

a. Proclamation: Filipino American History Month

Councilmember Vizcocho read the proclamation, which urges all citizens to celebrate the rich history and contributions of Filipino Americans in Kodiak.

Mayor Branson presented the proclamation to Mary Guilas-Hawver, President of the Filipino American Association of Kodiak, who said it was a great honor to accept the proclamation and thanked the Council on behalf of the entire Filipino American community.

b. Public Comments

None

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution No. 2012-32, Accepting a Construction Grant From the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for Aleutian Homes Water And Sewer Replacement Project, Phase V, Project No 10-03/7026.**

Mayor Branson read Resolution No. 2012-32 by title. The City started working on a phased utility replacement of the water and sewer utilities in the Aleutian Homes Subdivision starting in 2005. The Aleutian Homes Subdivision was built in the early 1950s, and much of the water and sewer system is left from that original construction. The City has continued efforts to acquire Alaska Municipal Matching Grant funds in order to keep this critical utility upgrade ongoing and reduce impacts to rate payers. This Department of Environmental Conservation grant offer is for \$1.3 million for construction of a segment of the overall Phase V project.

Councilmember Haines MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2012-32.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Bishop, Davidson, Haines, Vizcocho, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

b. Authorization of Change Order No. 1 to the Shelikof Street Pedestrian Improvements, Phase I, Project 10-04/8016 to Include Mission Road Retaining Wall Repair, Project No. 13-03/5029

This project will replace a failing wooden retaining wall in the area of 910 Mission Road, which was constructed about 35 years ago. City staff has monitored the condition of the wall for several years in the hope that it could be replaced with the rebuild of Mission Road. The wall started to fall during the winter of 2011. The project was presented to Council as part of the FY2013 budget and approved for funding. The project was advertised and bids were scheduled to be opened on August 28, 2012, but no bids were received. This failed wall is in urgent need of repair, so staff contacted three local contractors who had attended the pre-bid meeting to ask if there would be interest in submitting a proposal. Brechan Enterprises was the only contractor to submit a proposal to replace the retaining wall. Due to the urgency of the repair, the fact that no bid was received, and because staff was able to obtain a proposal from Brechan Enterprises (the same contractor awarded the Shelikof Street Pedestrian Improvements, Phase I project), staff recommends Council award the project to Brechan Enterprises as a change order to the Shelikof Street Pedestrian Improvements, Phase I, Project No. 10-04/8016 in the amount of \$170,000.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to authorize Change Order No. 1 to the Shelikof Street Pedestrian Improvements, Phase I project, Project No. 10-04/8016, to include Mission Road Retaining Wall Repair, Project No. 13-03/5029 in the amount of \$170,000, with funds appropriated from the Street Improvement Fund, Project No. 13-03/5029.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Bishop, Davidson, Haines, Vizcocho, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

c. Authorization of Change Order No. 5 to Baranof Park Improvement Project, Project No. 12-05/9001

Change Order No. 5 is intended to be the final change order related to 2012 construction activities with Ohno Construction for the Baranof Park Improvement Project. It represents several additions for work items not previously anticipated and several credits for work that was completed more efficiently or with a reduced scope. The majority of the cost additions represent work com-

pleted by subcontractors and increased costs for shipping of materials for improvements that were authorized over the course of construction.

Councilmember Vizcocho MOVED to authorize Change Order No. 5 to the Baranof Park Improvement Project to Ohno Construction in the amount of \$39,931.15, with funds coming from the Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Fund, Baranof Park Improvements, Project No. 12-05/9001.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Bishop, Davidson, Haines, Vizcocho, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

d. Certification of Election

The City of Kodiak held a regular election October 2, 2012, and voters cast ballots for two three-year City Council positions and voted on Proposition No. 1. The Canvass Board met October 10, 2012, to tally the votes of the admissible questioned and absentee ballots, together with votes counted on election night. The final results of the October 2, 2012, Municipal City election were:

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| City Council—Two Three-Year Terms | |
| Gabriel Saravia..... | 276 |
| Mark-Anthony Vizcocho | 226 |
| Rich Walker | 250 |
| Write-Ins | 12 |
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| Proposition No. 1 | |
| Yes | 315 |
| No..... | 65 |

Of the 3,647 registered City voters, 483 cast eligible City ballots, for a 13.2 percent voter turnout, which is 8 percent lower than last year.

Councilmember Haines MOVED to certify the results of the October 2, 2012, regular election and declare Gabriel Saravia and Rich Walker elected to the City Council for three-year terms and that Proposition No. 1 passed.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Bishop, Davidson, Haines, Vizcocho, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

a. City Manager

Manager Kniazowski thanked Councilmember Vizcocho for his service to the community and wished him well. She welcomed Councilmember-elect Rich Walker to the Council and said she was looking forward to working with him. She said she had been spending a lot of time working on the details of a composting contract for biosolid waste and had an upcoming meeting with the Department of Environmental Conservation in Anchorage to discuss the City’s permit application. She said work on the Compensation and Classification Study was progressing, and she was

finalizing job descriptions and looking at what changes to the Personnel Rules and Regulations would be required. She said the agenda items from the cancelled October 9, 2012, work session would be added to the agenda for the October 23, 2012, work session. She reminded Council of the capital projects tour scheduled for October 20, 2012.

b. City Clerk

City Clerk Marljar thanked Councilmember Vizcocho for his service and also thanked all the election workers and Canvass Board members for their assistance during the election. She welcomed Councilmember-elect Walker to the Council and congratulated Councilmember Saravia on his reelection. She also informed the public of the next scheduled Council work session, regular meeting, and joint work session.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Branson said she attended a recent meeting of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC) with Kodiak Island Borough Mayor Jerome Selby to present Kodiak's position on bycatch management for groundfish fishers in the Gulf of Alaska. The position was developed through the Fisheries Work Group, and she said their testimony was well received by the NPFMC. She thanked the members of the Fisheries Work Group and Fisheries Analyst Denby Lloyd for their hard work. She thanked Councilmember Vizcocho for his efforts on the Council, and encouraged him to run for office in the future. She congratulated Councilmember Saravia and Councilmember-elect Walker, and said she looked forward to working with them.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Vizcocho congratulated the Filipino American community on the proclamation of Filipino American History Month. He congratulated Councilmember Saravia and Councilmember-elect Walker on their election. He thanked the Mayor, Council, and City staff for their assistance during his time on the Council.

Councilmember Haines thanked Councilmember Vizcocho for his service and said it was a pleasure to serve with him. He said the low voter turnout was disappointing and encouraged people to exercise their right to vote. He said testimony at the NPFMC meeting was successful because of the work done by the Fisheries Work Group and the collaboration between the City of Kodiak and the Kodiak Island Borough, and he encouraged people to attend the Fisheries Work Group meetings and stay involved in the process. He said he was looking forward to working with Councilmember Saravia and Councilmember-elect Walker.

Councilmember Davidson thanked Councilmember Vizcocho for his service to the community. He said he was looking forward to working with Councilmember Saravia and Councilmember-elect Walker.

Councilmember Whiddon thanked Councilmember Vizcocho for his work on the Council. He said the testimony at NPFMC meeting had been extremely successful, and said it was the first time in recent memory that Kodiak had reached consensus on a fisheries issue. He said it was critical that the Fisheries Work Group continue to stay involved in fisheries issues in order to support and protect Kodiak's economy. He said the Filipino American community was a valua-

ble asset to the community and he was proud to recognize Filipino American History Month. He congratulated Councilmember Saravia and Councilmember-elect Walker.

Councilmember Bishop thanked Councilmember Vizcocho for his service and congratulated Councilmember Saravia and Councilmember-elect Walker. He said he was disappointed in the low voter turnout, and encouraged everyone to exercise their right to vote.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None

X. PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING COUNCILMEMBER

Mayor Branson presented outgoing Councilmember Mark-Anthony G. Vizcocho with a token of the City's appreciation for his service.

XI. OATH OF OFFICE TO RE-ELECTED/NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Kodiak City Code 2.28.080 requires elected officials to take and subscribe to the Oath of Office. The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Rich Walker and announced that Gabriel Saravia would be administered the Oath of Office the following day at 2 p.m. in the Clerk's Office.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Bishop, Davidson, Haines, Vizcocho, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.



ATTEST:

Debra Martin

CITY CLERK

CITY OF KODIAK

Pat Branson

MAYOR

