

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2015
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

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

Mayor Pat Branson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Councilmembers Randall C. Bishop, Charles E. Davidson, Gabriel T. Saravia, Richard H. Walker, and John B. Whiddon were present and constituted a quorum. Councilmember Terry J. Haines was absent. City Manager Aimée Kniazowski, Deputy Clerk Michelle Shuravloff-Nelson, and Assistant Clerk Catherine Perkins were also present.

II. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

Steven Taufen spoke on fisheries related issues and encouraged the City Council to carefully consider what was included in their letter.

III. Approval of Letter to National Marine Fisheries Service Regarding the Environmental Impact Statement for Gulf of Alaska Trawl Bycatch Management

Councilmember Whiddon read and highlighted key points of the letter to the National Marine Fisheries Service, which urges the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to consider impacts to the largest port in the gulf as they move forward with the trawl bycatch issue in the Gulf of Alaska.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to approve the letter based on the Kodiak Fisheries Work Group recommendation to approve a community response to the National Marine Fisheries Service Environmental Impact Statement on the Gulf of Alaska Bycatch Management Proposal.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Randall C. Bishop, Charles E. Davidson, Gabriel T. Saravia, Richard H. Walker, and John B. Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Terry J. Haines was absent. The motion passed.

IV. Endorsement of the Fisheries Work Group Recommendation to Award a Professional Services Contract to Provide an Economic Analysis of the Fishing Industry

The Kodiak Fisheries Work Group is recommending a professional services contract to develop baseline data about how the Gulf of Alaska fisheries, particularly the groundfish fisheries, that are the subject to North Pacific Fishery Management Council action, contribute to the Kodiak Island economy.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to endorse the Fisheries Work Group recommendation to award a professional services contract to provide an economic analysis of the fishing industry and authorize the City Manager to expend, if necessary, an amount to exceed the estimated cost of \$15,000.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED postpone the endorsement of a professional services contract to provide economic analysis of the fishing industry to a future meeting to be determined by the City Manager.

The roll call vote on the postponement was Councilmembers Randall C. Bishop, Charles E. Davidson, Gabriel T. Saravia, Richard H. Walker, and John B. Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Terry J. Haines was absent. The motion passed.

V. Adjournment

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

Minutes Approved: September 10, 2015