

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

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

Deputy Mayor Randall C. Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Councilmembers Laura B. Arboleda, Gabriel T. Saravia, Richard H. Walker, and John B. Whiddon were present and constituted a quorum. Mayor Pat Branson and Councilmember Charles E. Davidson were absent. City Manager Aimée Kniaziowski and Deputy Clerk Michelle Shuravloff-Nelson were also present.

Salvation Army Major Dave Davis gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2017, regular meeting as presented.

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

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

a. Proclamation: Month of the Military Child

Councilmember Whiddon read the proclamation, which encourages all citizens to show appreciation and understanding to the military children in our communities, and recognize their commitment, courage, sacrifice, and continued resilience.

HS2 Bonnie Baker and her daughter Abigail accepted the proclamation with Dayton Will of the National Guard. Velma Vining, Child Development Resource Specialist for the Coast Guard acknowledged the dedication and services provided by the military families and their children.

b. Proclamation: Week of the Young Child

Councilmember Arboleda read the proclamation, which encourages all citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood education.

Ms. Vining and Rebecca BJORKE, Occupational Therapist for the Infant Learning Program accepted the proclamation. Ms. BJORKE spoke about the importance of investing in your children and the positive outcomes it has on a community. Ms. Vining announced the Children's Fair and Parent Café on April 22, 2017, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Kodiak High School.

c. Public Comments

Katie Baxter, Library Director announced “National Library Week” and shared the theme is “Libraries Transform”. She updated the public on local activities in the community and some of the new services performed by the City’s library staff. She enthusiastically shared that there are over 10,000 library users at this time.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Resolution No. 2017–08, Authorizing the Issuance of a Permit to the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce for Use of Public Property in Conjunction With the Kodiak Crab Festival**

Deputy Mayor Bishop read Resolution No. 2017–08 by title. The Kodiak Chamber of Commerce is the local organization that manages the annual Kodiak Crab Festival, one of Kodiak’s premiere events. It promotes Kodiak, gives a boost to the local economy, and provides fundraising opportunities for many local organizations and non-profits. This year the festival will run from May 24 through May 30, 2017. As in past years, Council authorizes a permit for the activities associated with Kodiak Crab Festival by adoption of a resolution.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2017–08.

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

b. **Resolution No. 2017–09, Authorizing the Issuance of a Permit to Hope Community Resources for the Use of Public Property for Its Walk and Roll Community Walk Fundraiser**

Deputy Mayor Bishop read Resolution No. 2017–09 by title. Hope Community Resources (Hope) is a non-profit that is funded by grants and community donations. Hope wants to offer its annual walk and roll community walking fundraiser on May 6, 2017, at the Baranof Park track. Hope will set up a tent to offer snacks and drinks to participants and will accept donations.

Councilmember Arboleda MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2017–09.

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

c. **Resolution No. 2017–10, Authorizing the Issuance of a Permit to Kodiak High School Softball Team for the Use of Public Property to Sell Concessions During Home Games**

Deputy Mayor Bishop read Resolution No. 2017–10 by title. The high school softball coach, Michelle Stratton, requested to sell concessions as a fundraiser for the high school softball program from April 13 - July 31. The concessions will be sold during home games. The softball team is a high school sport that requires a significant amount of self funding. The team raises money to cover the cost of travel and other costs associated with the sport.

Councilmember Arboleda MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2017-10.

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

d. Authorization of Amendment No. 2 to the Fisheries Analyst Contract

The City Council and Borough Assembly have worked with a fisheries analyst since 2011 to help track and respond to fisheries resource management issues important to the Kodiak area. Following the resignation of the first analyst in late 2013, the City and Borough selected and hired McCarty and Associates for a two year contract with an option to renew. The majority of the two governing bodies agreed to a one-year extension of the contract with some modifications at the joint work session on February 24, 2016. Staff worked with the contractor who agreed to Amendment No. 1 to the contract ending on February 28, 2017. The City and Borough would like to extend this agreement at the recommendation of the Kodiak Fisheries Work Group for an additional year, ending on February 28, 2018. Amendment No. 2 has changes that reflect a reduction in contract fee by \$5000 and clearer direction on points of contact, reporting, and meeting attendance. The Borough Assembly adopted contract Amendment No. 2 on March 23, 2017.

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to authorize Amendment No. 2 to the Fisheries Analyst Contract with McCarty and Associates effective from March 1, 2017, through February 28, 2018, in the amount of \$27,500 per year plus authorized expenses for the City's share of the contract costs, with funds coming from the General Fund Legislative professional services account and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents on behalf of the City.

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

e. Authorization of Amendment to Lease 222854 With the Kodiak Maritime Museum and Art Center For the Thelma C

The Kodiak Maritime Museum (KMM) developed the idea of restoring and displaying a historic 36' fishing vessel, the Thelma C in the harbor area downtown. KMM representatives came to several City Council meetings since 2013 with their idea, which Council and harbor users supported. The KMM was given formal approval of the original lease site on the harbor spit in January 2016 by Council. KMM requested the location be adjusted to make the installation more affordable and this action was approved in August 2016 by Council. KMM has requested the footprint in the lease that was approved by Ordinance No. 1356 and Lease No. 222854 in August 2016 be modified to reflect the increased location by 720 square feet due to changes in the design and funding constraints. Lease No. 222854 would require an amendment with a substitution of Exhibit A and Exhibit B; all other terms of Lease No. 222854 would remain the same.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to authorize an amendment to Lease No. 222854 by substituting Exhibit A and Exhibit B dated March 23, 2017, for Exhibit A and Exhibit B as authorized by Ordinance No. 1356 and Lease No. 222854 on August 11, 2016.

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

f. Approval of Second Amendment to Near Island Communications Site Sublease Between Kodiak Island Broadcasting, Inc. and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC

Kodiak Island Broadcasting Co., Inc. is requesting an amendment to the sublease held with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC. Any communication sublease must be approved by Council per City Code Title 18, Section 18.20.230. This amendment, if approved, will be the second amendment to the sublease between Kodiak Island Broadcasting Co., Inc. and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC.

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to approve the second amendment between Kodiak Island Broadcasting, Inc. and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for Near Island Communications Site Lease 221887.

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

VI. STAFF REPORTS

a. City Manager

Manager Kniazowski spoke about the budget process, addressing the budget deficit, and shared the budget presentation is scheduled for May 6, 2017. She said her office will meet with the KIB's Manager regarding consolidation next week and discuss the formation of the new committee. She informed the public that Pillar Mountain is closed for safety reasons and commented that the road may need to be gated in the future. She said Fire Chief Mullican reported there were five cars that have went off Pillar Mountain road this winter. She said the community pool will be closed for the required maintenance from May 1 through May 21. She said the Parks and Recreation department will be hosting an Easter egg hunt for children on April 16 at Baranof Park. She said she recently traveled to Juneau for an annual lobbying trip and stated she and Councilmember Walker testified at the House Finance Committee in support of House Bill 115. She spoke to Lobbyist Ray Gillespie and commented the 90-day session will likely exceed the timeframe. She said Finance Director Mayes issued the 2nd quarter financial report to Council and commented that revenues are down by 13 percent and the expenses are well within budget for the departments. She said there will be a supplemental budget appropriation amendment scheduled for a Council meeting in the near future.

b. City Clerk

Deputy Clerk Shuravloff-Nelson informed the public of the next scheduled Council work sessions and regular meeting.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Bishop said the Marijuana Advisory Committee had their final meeting on April 4, 2017, to finalize their recommendations to the Council. He thanked co-chair Councilmember Arboleda and the committee membership for their time and work. He said the Council work session to discuss the committee's recommendations is scheduled for Tuesday, June 23, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. He said there was a recent Fisheries Work Group meeting with great public participation for salmon fisheries discussion. He thanked Councilmembers Walker and Saravia for volunteering to be on the attorney selection committee. He wished everyone a happy Easter.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Walker said the trip to Juneau was very interesting and there are many hard decisions to be made during this budgetary time. He said to fix the budgetary issues will involve everyone to give up some things on a statewide level to move Alaska forward. He said he appreciated Governor Walker taking the time to meet with them and stated there are many good people working for Alaska. He wished everyone a happy Easter.

Councilmember Saravia thanked Manager Kniazowski for her years of service and he indicated she improved the quality of life for the people in Kodiak. He wished everyone a happy Easter and said to enjoy their family.

Councilmember Arboleda said it is a beautiful day in Kodiak and people are getting involved in outdoor activities; she said to enjoy and stay safe. She said she was recently a judge at a youth speech contest and commented that youth activities are very important within a community.

Councilmember Whiddon said he went to the same event as Councilmember Arboleda and commented the youth were very impressive. He thanked Finance Director Mayes for the financial report and he appreciated the extra work that went into preparing the report. He said there was a Fisheries Work Group meeting and the Kodiak Salmon Work group will be presenting an upper Cook Inlet genetic study on salmon next week, which can impact Kodiak. He encouraged citizens to attend the meeting. He said he was recently in Juneau for the Alaska Marine Highway Strategic Planning Committee meeting, and shared they are reviewing different governance models to meet the needs of all Alaskans. He wished everyone a happy Easter.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Chris Lynch thanked the Council for approving the amendment to the Thelma C lease. She said as a downtown business owner she has a concern regarding the vagrant population in the downtown area and she requested an increase in foot patrol by KPD. She said she can't contribute to the economy of the community when there are impediments to her customers entering her business.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



CITY OF KODIAK

Pat Bruce

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Michelle Muscarello-Tolson

DEPUTY CLERK

Minutes Approved: April 27, 2017