

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2018
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

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

Mayor Pat Branson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Councilmembers Randall C. Bishop, Charles E. Davidson, Gabriel T. Saravia, and Richard H. Walker were present and constituted a quorum. Councilmembers Laura B. Arboleda and John B. Whiddon were absent. Deputy City Manager Matt Van Daele, City Clerk Debra Marlar, 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 Bishop MOVED to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2018, regular meeting.

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

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

a. Proclamation: Week of the Young Child

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

Cassie Keplinger accepted the proclamation. She invited everyone in the community to the Kodiak High School on April 14, 2018, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. for the children's fair, which recognizes those from birth to five years of age. She encouraged caretakers and families to attend, and she expressed appreciation to the child educators.

b. Proclamation: Month of the Military Child

Councilmember Walker 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.

Michael and **Kim Chynoweth** and their children Noelle, Nicole, Mikkell, Ethan, Evon and Keigan accepted the proclamation. Mr. Chenowith thanked the Mayor and said they are pleased to be in Kodiak. He thanked his family and the military families for their service.

c. Public Comments

Molly MacIntosh shared her admiration for Katie Baxter's performance as Library Director. She gave an overview of her employment with the City of Kodiak beginning in 2009 and her ex-

perience with the director and staff. Ms. MacIntosh expressed her disappointment in the process used for the investigation of the Library Director.

Jeff Garcia, from the Alutiiq Museum, spoke in support of Ordinance No. 1374. He said the Alutiiq Heritage Foundation has reached 64 percent of their funding goal, and they are excited about their financial progress.

Aimee Williams gave a third quarter report from Discover Kodiak. She provided an overview of the committees on which she serves. She stated that Holland America is coming to Kodiak, and Larsen Bay is expecting a cruise ship. She said they recently welcomed three new Board members. She said the Discover Kodiak's office redesign is underway, the future of tourism is strong, and she thanked the Council for their support.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Second Reading and Public Hearing, Ordinance No. 1373, Establishing Supplemental Appropriation No. 1 to the Budget for the Fiscal Year Commencing on the First Day of July 2017 and Ending on the Thirtieth Day of June 2018

Mayor Branson read Ordinance No. 1373 by title. The Supplemental Appropriation No. 1 to the budget for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of July 2017 and ending on the thirtieth day of June 2018 is in the amount of \$677,596. It is customary for the City Council to approve at least one supplemental budget annually to authorize the adjustments of current revenues and expenses. These adjustments are for the operating funds as well as additions to project funds for grant revenues received and additional expenditures needed that were not known at the time the original budget was adopted.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1373.

Mayor Branson closed the regular meeting, opened and closed the public hearing when no one came forward to testify, and reopened the regular meeting.

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

b. Second Reading and Public Hearing, Ordinance No. 1374, Approving a Memorandum of Agreement Between the City of Kodiak and the Alutiiq Heritage Foundation Allowing the Alutiiq Heritage Foundation to Enter Block 17, Lot 2 New Kodiak Townsite for the Purpose of Constructing and Maintaining a Memorial Park for an Initial Term of Ten Years

Mayor Branson read Ordinance No. 1374 by title. The Alutiiq Heritage Foundation, through the Alutiiq Museum, is requesting a Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Kodiak, which would allow the creation of a new monument downtown honoring our community's Alutiiq heritage, culture, and ancestral significance.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1374.

Mayor Branson closed the regular meeting, opened and closed the public hearing when no one came forward to testify, and reopened the regular meeting.

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

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. **First Reading, Ordinance No. 1375, Levying Taxes in the Amount of 2 Mills and Appropriating Funds for the Expenses and Liabilities of the City of Kodiak for the Fiscal Year Commencing on the First Day of July 2018 and Ending on the Thirtieth Day of June 2019**

Mayor Branson read Ordinance No. 1375 by title. Ordinance No. 1375 provides for the adoption of the City of Kodiak's FY2019 budget. The budget document, which supports the ordinance, estimates all sources of revenue the City anticipates receiving between July 1, 2018, and June 30, 2019. The budget document also establishes an operating and capital expenditure plan for FY2019 that is based on staff's assessment of operational and community needs and the Council's FY2019 budget goals. Staff made the FY2019 budget presentation to Council and the public during a special budget work session on March 10, 2018.

Councilmember Bishop MOVED to pass Ordinance No. 1375 in the first reading and advance to second reading and public hearing at the next special or regular Council meeting.

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

b. **Amendment of Previously Adopted Resolution No. 2017-26 to Provide the Interest on the Loan Shall Not Exceed the Rate Calculated Pursuant to 18 AAC 76.080(b)(1)**

The last Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) upgrade was completed in 1999. Generally, WWTP's are evaluated and upgraded approximately every 20 years. A concept plan was developed using four phases to complete the project. In 2017 Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-26, which authorized the borrowing from the Alaska Clean Water Fund of an aggregate amount not to exceed six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) to pay part of the cost of Phase I of an upgrade to the City of Kodiak Wastewater Treatment plant condition and process assessment. Staff requests Council amend Resolution No. 2017-26, which amends Section 4 of the previously adopted resolution.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to amend Section 4 of previously adopted Resolution No. 2017-26 to provide that the interest on the loan shall not exceed the rate calculated pursuant to 18 AAC 76.080(b)(1).(Repayment; finance charges)

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

c. **Acceptance of Resignation of Councilmember Gabriel Saravia, Effective May 4, 2018**

Councilmember Gabriel Saravia contacted the City Clerk and requested to tender his resignation from the City Council effective May 4, 2018, because he will be moving from Kodiak.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to accept the resignation of Gabriel Saravia from the Kodiak City Council effective May 4, 2018.

Councilmember Davidson expressed his appreciation for Mr. Saravia. He said he has not seen a more dedicated Councilmember that cares for the community.

Councilmember Walker said he has kept the citizens as his focus and he has appreciated Mr. Saravia's commitment to the community for 14 years.

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

VI. STAFF REPORTS

a. City Manager

Deputy City Manager Van Daele said that Manager Tvenge and Fire Chief Mullican were attending a Statewide Emergency Preparedness conference. He shared that he recently went on a ride along with the Kodiak Police Department patrol, and he said it demonstrated the different services provided by staff. He said they are working on a myriad of issue downtown, which includes the police substation in the downtown area. He highlighted the work that has occurred by the Mayor to facilitate the community summit on the opioid crisis. He said there is a spring cleanup on May 5, and there will be focus on safety precautions for those participating. He commented on a contest to increase community involvement and the winner having a luncheon with the Mayors.

Through the Deputy City Manager, Elaina Spraker, Kenai Peninsula/Kodiak Regional Director for U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan gave a congressional update. She expressed her appreciation to Mayor Branson and Deputy Manager Van Daele for going to Washington D.C. and she stated the Senator enjoyed meeting with them. She recapped her awareness of the City's request for capital funding needs for the fire station, harbor infrastructure, WWTP upgrades, and the Shelikof Street project. She said the Senator's office would do what they can if funding becomes available. She spoke about Trump's administration and funding for rural America's infrastructure needs. She said Senator Sullivan advocates the Six Pillars of Optimism: Federal Government as a Partner; Strong Economy; Healthy Communities; Land of the Future; Safe Communities; Frontline of Freedom; She commented that Kodiak has the best USCG in America. She commented on tax reform for 2018 and the anticipated benefits. She commented on the increased funding for military construction. She commented on ANWAR and the success for Alaska. She provided a staff update for the delegation. She said healthcare has been a challenge, and spoke of the 1332 waiver, and thanked the Alaska Legislature. She commented that the Senator did not vote on the Omnibus bill, due to time constraints to review it. She said Senator Sullivan is the Chair of the subcommittee in charge of the USCG, which is currently working on recapitalization of the fleet and on the Magnuson Stevens Act legislation. She said their offices are there to help and appreciates the partnership.

Mayor Branson said the City's priority for capital funding is the Kodiak Firehall; she would like a tour to be arranged for Ms. Spraker, if her schedule allowed, while she was in Kodiak.

b. City Clerk

Clerk Marlar thanked Councilmember Saravia for his service and said he has one regular Council meeting before his resignation. She acknowledged and thanked Deputy Clerk/Records Manager Shuravloff-Nelson for her five years of service. She gave an overview of the upcoming April meetings.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Branson thanked the Deputy Clerk for her efficiency. She thanked Councilmember Saravia, said his service has been remarkable for 14 1/2 years, and said they will have accolades at his last Council meeting. She said she spoke with KIB Mayor Rohrer and referred to the letter regarding the invitation to the Local Boundary Commission to come to Kodiak to discuss annexation, mergers, and consolidation, which will include representatives from the outlying villages. She thanked Deputy Manager Van Daele for mentioning the community health summit, which was a result of the Providence Medical Center's health needs assessments. She extended her appreciation to Sandi Jackson for her work on the summits, and she thanked Superintendent Larry LeDoux and Nathan Johnson, Providence in Anchorage, for working with her and Mayor Rohrer. She the summit will be on April 25, 2018, at 6 p.m. at the Convention Center in conjunction with the rural forum. She said the summit would help continue with the plan and encourage better understanding of the community's gaps in services. She said the City is working to obtain funds for the Kodiak Fire hall. Mayor Branson said Senator Sullivan has been a good advocate for Kodiak.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Saravia thanked Deputy Clerk Shuravloff-Nelson for her service and hopes she continues into the future. He thanked the City staff for the budget and the work they have done. He commented he has two more meetings before his resignation.

Councilmember Bishop thanked the Finance staff for working on the budget and stated it has been an on-going task and he appreciates the dedication; he thanked the Deputy Clerk for her assistance over the years.

Councilmember Davidson thanked the Deputy Clerk/Records Manager for her commitment to records management for the City. He thanked and commended the Chief of Police for her years of service and the work she has done. He referred to the blue windmills outside of the KPD and acknowledged it represented the children that have been abused; he expressed his sympathy and awareness for child abuse prevention.

Councilmember Walker asked clarification from Ms. Spraker regarding her report on the USCG. Ms. Spraker said the Senator is Chairman of the subcommittee for the Coast Guard and referred to the funding allocations for cutters and housing. She said she would send written material. Councilmember Walker concurred that material would be helpful. Councilmember Walker thanked the Deputy Clerk for her service. He referred to the federal government and fisheries issues. He said Public Works has done a good job and thanked the Fire Department, Police De-

partment, and other City staff. He thanked the City Councilmembers as they continue to work on behalf of the people.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None

X. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

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

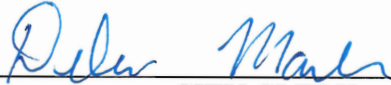
The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

CITY OF KODIAK



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK

Minutes Approved: April 26, 2018

