Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 22, 2022 6:00 p.m.



Unalaska City Hall Council Chambers 43 Raven Way

Council Members

Dennis M. Robinson

Alejandro R. Tungul

Shari Coleman

Council Members Thomas D. Bell Darin Nicholson Daneen Looby

UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL

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Mayor: Vincent M. Tutiakoff Sr. City Manager: Chris Hladick City Clerk: Marjie Veeder, <u>mveeder@ci.unalaska.ak.us</u>

MINUTES

- 1. **Call to order.** Mayor Tutiakoff called the regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council to order on November 22, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. **Roll call.** The City Clerk called the roll. Bell, Looby, Robinson and Tungul were present in person; Nicholson present remotely; Coleman absent. Mayor announced establishment of a quorum.

Tungul read the City's Mission Statement: To provide a sustainable quality of life through excellent stewardship of government.

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance. Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Recognition of Visitors. None made.
- 5. **Adoption of Agenda.** Robinson moved to adopt the agenda with second by Tungul. There being no objection, the Mayor announced the agenda adopted
- 6. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings.** Robinson moved to approve the proposed minutes of the council meeting held November 10, 2022, as presented, with second by Looby. There being no objection, the Mayor announced the minutes approved.
- 7. **City Manager Report.** The report was in the packet. Chris Hladick, via Zoom, responded to Council questions.
- 8. **Community Input & Announcements.** Mayor Pro Tem provided an opportunity for community input and announcements, which were provided, as follows:
 - a. PCR Director Roger Blakeley announced that the City of Unalaska received a \$400,000 grant from the Rasmuson Foundation for the City Library Project
 - b. M. Lynn Crane made announcements for USAFV
 - c. Heidi Lucking made announcements for APIA
- 9. **Public Comment on Agenda Items.** The Mayor provided an opportunity for public comment on agenda items; none offered.
- 10. **Public Hearing.** The Mayor opened the public hearing on <u>Ordinance 2022-21</u> Retaining Certain Tax Foreclosed Property for a Public Purpose. No testimony offered.

11. Work Session

Robinson moved to go into work session with second by Tungul. There being no objection, work session began at 6:15 p.m.

- a. <u>Utility Service Installation Reimbursements</u> Steve Tompkins, Public Utilities Director, presented to City Council regarding utility installation reimbursements, followed by Council discussion. Mr. Tompkins and Mr. Hladick responded to Council questions and comments. No public comment offered.
- b. <u>Wage Increase and Longevity Bonus for Unrepresented Title 3 Employees</u> Chris Hladick, City Manager, presented to City Council regarding a proposed wage increase and longevity bonus for unrepresented Title 3 employees, and reviewed the data supplied in the Council packet. Council discussion. Mr. Hladick responded to Council questions and comments. Public comment offered by Clint Huling, Chris Price and Ruth Marquez.

Robinson moved to return to regular session with second by Looby. There being no objection, Council back in regular session at 7:18 p.m.

- 12. **Consent Agenda.** Looby moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, with second by Bell. All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, adopting the Consent Agenda with 5 yes and 0 no votes.
 - a. <u>Ordinance 2022-21</u>: 2nd Reading, Retaining Certain Tax Foreclosed Property for a Public Purpose
 - b. <u>Resolution 2022-44</u>: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Industrial Resources, Inc. to construct the Chlorine Upgrades Project for \$661,200

13. Regular Agenda

a. Motion to Renew <u>Ordinance 2022-19</u>: Amending Title 3, Personnel, to add a longevity bonus, make executives eligible for the longevity bonus, provide latitude to the City Manager to hire above the midpoint of the wage range, and to increase moving expenses available for new employee

Robinson moved to renew Ordinance 2022-19 and schedule it for public hearing and second reading on December 27, 2022; second by Tungul.

City Manager provided an overview followed by Council discussion. No public comment offered.

Roll call vote: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, 5 yes and 0 no votes, adopting the motion to schedule the ordinance for public hearing and second reading on December 27, 2022.

b. Motion to Renew <u>Ordinance 2022-20</u>: Creating Budget Amendment #3 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget to fund increases in wages, fringe benefits and associated State of Alaska PERS contributions for unrepresented employees

Robinson moved to renew Ordinance 2022-20 and schedule it for public hearing and second reading on December 27, 2022; second by Bell.

City Manager provided an overview followed by Council discussion. No public comment offered.

Roll call vote: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, 5 yes and 0 no votes, adopting the motion to schedule the ordinance for public hearing and second reading on December 27, 2022.

c. <u>Resolution 2022-43</u>: Identifying the City of Unalaska's Federal Priorities

Looby moved to adopt Resolution 2022-43; second by Tungul.

City Manager provided an overview, followed by Council discussion.

Roll call vote: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, adopting the resolution with 5 yes and 0 no votes.

d. <u>Resolution 2022-45</u>: Approving funding from FY23 and FY24 to Rusting Man Foundation for the Unalaska Fisherman Memorial

Tungul moved to adopt Resolution 2022-45 and insert the funding amount of \$250,000; second by Robinson

City Manager and Thomas Roufos of the Planning Department provided an overview.

Council discussion.

Looby moved to amend to change \$250,000 to \$330,000; motion failed for lack of a second.

Bell moved to amend to provide up to \$330,000, with \$250,000 made available in FY23; second by Looby. Council discussion. Vote on amendment: Robinson – no; Nicholson – no; Bell – yes; Tungul – no; and Looby – yes. Motion fails with 2 yes and 3 no votes.

Roll call vote on main motion: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, adopting the resolution with 5 yes and 0 no votes.

e. <u>Resolution 2022-46</u>: Correcting Resolution 2021-38, renewing the City's policy on participation in funding electric primary and secondary utility line extensions for a four-year period starting Fiscal Year 2022 and ending Fiscal Year 2025

Robinson moved to adopt Resolution 2022-46; second by Tungul.

City Manager provided an overview, followed by Council discussion. No public comment offered.

Robinson moved to amend the resolution to change the amount for Residential Primary and Secondary Line Extension from \$1,400 to \$3,000; second by Bell. Council discussion. Roll call vote on the amendment: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, adopting the amendment.

Roll call vote: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, adopting the resolution, as amended, with 5 yes and 0 no votes.

f. <u>Resolution 2022-47</u>: Supporting an Alaska Energy Authority Renewable Energy Fund Round 15 Grant application in the amount of \$4,000,000 for the final design and construction of the wind energy project

Robinson moved to adopt Resolution 2022-47; second by Tungul.

City Manager provided an overview, followed by Council discussion. Utilities Director Steve Tompkins responded to Council questions. No public comment offered.

Roll call vote: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, adopting the resolution with 5 yes and 0 no votes.

14. Council Directives to City Manager.

a. Robinson moved to direct the city manager to move forward with contracting a consulting firm to complete a compensation study for the City of Unalaska; second by Tungul.

Roll call vote: All Council Members present voted in the affirmative, adopting the directive with 5 yes and 0 no votes.

- 15. **Community Input & Announcements.** The Mayor provided a final opportunity for community input and announcements, which were provided by:
 - a. Virginia Hatfield, Director of the Museum of the Aleutians, made announcements regarding upcoming exhibits and events at the museum.
 - The Mayor requested two Council Members to volunteer to participate on the Unalaska City School District Budget Committee. Council Members Looby and Tungul volunteered.
- 16. **Adjournment.** Having completed all items on the agenda, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Unalaska City Council on December 27, 2022.

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