

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 24, 2023
6:00 p.m.



Unalaska City Hall
Council Chambers
43 Raven Way

Council Members
Thomas D. Bell
Darin Nicholson
Daneen Looby

Council Members
Dennis M. Robinson
Alejandro R. Tungul
Shari Coleman

UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL

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

MINUTES

1. **Call to order.** Mayor Tutiakoff called the regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council to order on January 24, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Roll call.** The City Clerk called the roll. The Mayor and all Council Members were present, with Nicholson attending via telephone.

Bell read the City's Mission Statement: To provide a sustainable quality of life through excellent stewardship of government.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Recognition of Visitors.** No particular recognitions made.
5. **Adoption of Agenda.** Robinson moved to adopt the agenda with second by Tungul. Bell moved to amend the agenda to move work session items 10(b) and 10(c) to a special meeting on January 27, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.; second by Tungul. Council adopted the amendment unanimously; followed by a unanimous vote on the main motion, as amended.
6. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting.** Tungul moved to approve the proposed minutes of the council meeting held January 10, 2023, as presented, with second by Tungul. There being no objection, the minutes were approved by consensus.
7. **City Manager Report.** Assistant City Manager provided an overview of the Manager Report. No questions from Council.
8. **Community Input & Announcements**
 - a. PCR Director Roger Blakeley made announcements about PCR Programs.
 - b. Dennis Robinson encouraged public comment on the Alaska Marine Highway ferry schedule for the Aleutian Region.
 - c. The City Clerk announced deadlines for submission of applications for Property Tax Exemptions, Sales Tax Refunds and submission of Business Personal Property Tax Returns; and reminded Mayor, Council, School Board and Planning Commission members of the deadline for submission of annual Public Official Financial Disclosures to APOC.
9. **Public Comment on Agenda Items.** None.

10. **Work Session.** Robinson moved to go into work session with second by Tungul. There being no objection, work session began at 6:10 p.m.

- a. 2023 Estimated Property Tax Assessment, Mike Renfro, Appraisal Company of Alaska, contract assessors for the City, presented his report and responded to Council questions.
- b. FY24 Revenue Projections and Council Goals for the FY24 Budget. Clerk Note: this item moved to special meeting scheduled January 27, 2023.
- c. Capital and Major Maintenance Plan (CMMP). Clerk Note: this item moved to special meeting scheduled January 27, 2023.
- d. Capital Project Update, Public Works Director Tom Cohenour presented the report, focusing on several projects. Mr. Cohenour and Steve Tompkins, Utility Director, responded to Council questions.

Robinson moved to return to regular session with second by Coleman; there being no objection, Council returned to regular session at 6:42 p.m.

11. Regular Agenda

- a. Resolution 2023-06: Acknowledging the closure and completion of various capital projects and purchases

Robinson moved to adopt Resolution 2023-06; second by Tungul.

Acting City Manager Bil Homka provided an overview.

Council discussion.

Coleman moved to amend the project list attached to Resolution 2023-06 to strike PH20A UMC Cruise Ship Terminal Design, not closing the project and not returning the funds to the Ports proprietary fund. Second by Tungul.

Council discussion of amendment.

Acting City Manager Homka, City Manager Hladick and Port Director McLaughlin provided information to Council and responded to Council questions.

Roll call vote on the amendment: all Council Members voted in the affirmative, removing the UMC Cruise Ship Terminal Design project from the project closure list.

The Mayor allowed public comment from community member Travis Swangel and Director of the Unalaska Visitor Bureau, Katherine McGlashan.

Roll call vote: all Council Members voted in the affirmative, adopting Resolution 2023-06, as amended.

- b. Travel approval for Mayor and Council Members to:
 - i. North Pacific Fishery Management Council Meeting, Seattle, February 9-13, 2023. Mayor recommends no travel to this meeting by the Mayor and Council. No action by Council.
 - ii. State Lobbying, Juneau, March 13-15, 2023. Tungul moved to approve travel for the Mayor and Robinson; second by Coleman. All Council Members voted in the affirmative, approving the travel.

12. **Council Directives to City Manager.** Robinson moved to direct the City Manager to change the scope of the cruise ship dock project from design to an economic study including a cost benefit analysis and return on investment; second by Tungul. All Council Members voted in the affirmative, adopting the Directive to City Manager.
13. **Community Input & Announcements.** None.
14. **Adjournment.** Having completed all items on the agenda (as amended), the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Unalaska City Council on February 14, 2023.

Marjie Veeder, CMC
City Clerk

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