

**Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesday, July 11, 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

*To Provide a Sustainable Quality of Life  
Through Excellent Stewardship of Government*

## **UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL**

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**Mayor:** Vincent M. Tutiakoff, Sr. **City Manager:** William Homka  
**City Clerk:** Marjie Veeder, [mveeder@ci.unalaska.ak.us](mailto:mveeder@ci.unalaska.ak.us)

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## **MINUTES**

1. **Call to order.** Mayor Tutiakoff called the regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council to order on June 27, 2023 at 5:59 p.m.  
  
Coleman read the City's Mission Statement: To provide a sustainable quality of life through excellent stewardship of government.
2. **Roll call.** The City Clerk called the roll. The Mayor and all Council Members were present, with Bell attending remotely. Mayor announced quorum established.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Tungul led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Recognition of Visitors.** No particular recognitions made.
5. **Awards & Presentations.** The Mayor recognized City Employment Anniversary of Marilou Bautista, Department of Administration, 15 years.
6. **Adoption of Agenda.** Nicholson moved to adopt the agenda, with a second by Nicholson. There being no objection, the agenda was adopted by consensus.
7. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting.** Robinson moved approve the proposed minutes of the council meeting held June 27, 2023 as presented; with second by Nicholson. There being no objection, the minutes were approved by consensus.
8. **City Manager Report.** Mr. Homka presented his report and responded to questions from Council about the landfill baler and the Captains Bay Road project. DPU Director Tompkins also responded to questions about the landfill baler.
9. **Community Input & Announcements** were made as follows:
  - a. Katherine McGlashan made announcements for Unalaska Visitor Bureau
  - b. Albert Burnham made announcements for the Department of Parks, Culture & Recreation

- c. Thomas Roufos made announcements for the Unalaska Chapter of the Alaska State Firefighters Association
- d. Natalie Cale of Ounalashka Corporation made announcements on behalf of OCCP, LLC
- e. Mayor made announcement regarding Camp-Q
- f. Council Member Robinson announced cancellation of a military visit today due to fog not allowing their flight to land in Unalaska
- g. City Clerk made announcements regarding property tax payment due dates and the October 3 local general election

#### 10. Public Comment on Agenda Items

- a. Jester Putterman of OptimERA commented on Resolution 2023-32

#### 11. Work Session

Tungul moved to go into work session, with second by Robinson. There being no objection, Council moved into work session at 6:27 p.m.

- a. Public Utilities Director Steve Tompkins provided an update to Council regarding the City's Water Utility and responded to questions from Council.

Robinson moved to return to regular session with second by Nicholson. There being no objection, Council returned to regular session at 6:44 p.m.

#### 12. Regular Agenda

- a. Resolution 2023-32: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a five year Master Services Agreement with GCI Communication Corp. for Dedicated Internet Services

Tungul moved to adopt Resolution 2023-32, with second by Looby.

The City Manager introduced the resolution and provided a summary, followed by Council discussion. Information Systems Supervisor Jacob Whitaker also provided information in response to Council's questions.

Coleman moved to postpone consideration of Resolution 2023-32 to the next regular Council meeting. Second by Robinson.

Continued Council discussion.

Roll call vote on motion to postpone: all Council members voted in the affirmative, adopting the motion to postpone consideration of Resolution 2023-32.

Continued Council discussion.

- 13. **Council Directives to City Manager.** Robinson moved to direct the city manager to hire a third party to review the three proposals for broadband service and return a recommendation for said services to this Council; second by Coleman. Council discussion. City Manager commented.

Roll call vote: Looby – no; Bell – no; Nicholson – no; Robinson – yes; Tungul – no; and Coleman – yes. Motion fails with four no and 2 yes votes.

14. **Community Input & Announcements.** The Mayor provided a final opportunity for community input. None offered.

15. **Adjournment.** Having completed all items on the agenda, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Unalaska City Council on July 25, 2023.

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Marjie Veeder, CMC  
City Clerk

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