

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

For February 27, 2024

TO: Mayor Tutiakoff and City Council Members

FROM: William Homka, City Manager

DATE: February 27, 2024

- **Power Outages February 16 and 19, 2024:** On February 16, generators 8 and 10 were online with an approximate 5,200 kW load. At 15:30, an issue in the shared cooling system of engines 10 and 11 caused a drop in LT (low temperature) inlet pressure, shutting down engine 10 creating a city-wide outage. The powerhouse mechanic was called in to inspect and repair the cooling system on engine 10 and power was partially restored by 16:00 and fully restored at 17:00. Later, at 18:45 the same issue caused a second outage of just five minutes duration. At this time, engine 10 was put offline and engine 13 was put online.

On February 17, powerhouse staff made repairs and adjustments to engine 10 to ensure a redundant engine was available.

On February 19, powerhouse staff tested engines 10 and 13 during the scheduled outage period. Engine 10 ran for approximately one hour without any issues, and engine 13 was started and stopped three times without any issues.

- **Community Support Grants:** Two FY24 recipient organizations requested changes to their budgets. The Qawalangin Tribe's Camp Qungaayux reallocated excess for the APICDA Intern/Wellness Assistant/Warehouse Labor to an Assistant Camp Coordinator position. Unused funding for food was also reallocated to mentor stipends and contractor expenses for the camp. USAFV shifted funding between personnel, travel, facilities, commodities/supplies and contractual due to uncertainty anticipating demand for shelter nights and other services. These requests comply with the grant program guidelines and were reviewed by Planning staff.
- **Upcoming Travel:**
 - City Lobby Trip to Juneau: The City Manager will join Mayor Tutiakoff and Vice Mayor Tungul to visit our Alaska delegation in Juneau to promote the City's legislative priorities. This lobbying visit will occur March 4 – 6, 2024, though the team will depart Unalaska on March 2.
 - We will then return to Anchorage and be joined by Council Member Coleman to attend the SWAMC Annual Conference scheduled for March 7 - 8, 2024.
- **Staffing Update:**
 - DPU Director - our recruitment consultant is in the process of vetting applicants for our next Director of Public Utilities. We anticipate a report of the semi-finalists later this week. We will meet with the consultant on March 14 to select candidates to proceed to the next step.
 - The tables below summarize HR actions and position openings.

January 16, 2023 – February 15, 2024

Type of Action	Number	Internal	External
Hires	2	1	1
Pending Hires	4	0	4
Pending Offers	0	NA	NA
Resignations	2	NA	NA
Separations	0	NA	NA

Position Openings

Department	# Openings	Notes
Administration	1	HR Manager
DPS	5	Police Officer (2), Police Sergeant (2), Communications Officer
DPU	7	Director, Water Operator, WW Supervisor, Util Lineman (2), Util Lineman Chief, Apprentice Lineman
DPW	2	City Engineer, Installation Maint Worker
Finance	1	Controller
PCR	4	3 Lifeguards, Recreation Coordinator
Library	1	Half Time Library Assistant
Planning	1	GIS Administrator
TOTAL	22	