

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 2021-44

A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL APPOINTING A MEMBER TO CITY COUNCIL SEAT CC-D

WHEREAS, Unalaska City Code § 2.12.050(a)(3) states that the office of City Council member is vacated when a Council member resigns and the resignation is accepted by Council; and

WHEREAS, the office of a City Council member becomes vacant upon the declaration of vacancy by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, City Council Member David M. Gregory submitted his resignation from City Council Seat CC-D;

WHEREAS, with the adoption of Resolution 2021-31 on May 11, 2021, City Council accepted Mr. Gregory's resignation and declared Council Seat CC-D vacant effective May 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk advertised the vacancy in the community and Council considered all letters of interest timely delivered.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Unalaska City Council appoints _____ to City Council Seat CC-D.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the Unalaska City Council on June 8, 2020.

Vincent M. Tutiakoff, Sr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Marjie Veeder, CMC
City Clerk

MEMORANDUM TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor and City Council Members
From: Marjie Veeder, City Clerk
Through: Erin Reinders, City Manager
Date: June 8, 2020
Re: Resolution 2021-44 appointing a member to City Council Seat CC-D

SUMMARY: Seat CC-D was declared vacant effective May 26, 2021, following the resignation of Council Member David M. Gregory. Council must appoint a qualified person fill the vacancy within 30 days. Adoption of Resolution 2021-44 will accomplish this requirement.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: Council accepted Mr. Gregory's resignation on May 11, 2021, with Resolution 2020-31 and declared Seat CC-D vacant effective May 26, 2021. Council also directed the City Manager to advertise the vacancy, accept letters of interest and to invite such interested persons to tonight's meeting. Council's directive was accomplished.

BACKGROUND and DISCUSSION: Vacancies on council are filled, pursuant to UCO 2.12.050(C), by the remaining council members, within 30 days of vacancy, appointing a qualified person to fill the vacancy. The appointed person will serve until the regular election in October 2021. The regular term for Seat D expires in October 2022. The qualifications for a person appointed to fill a vacancy are the same as qualifications for anyone who wants to declare candidacy for council: they must be a voter registered in the city who has resided in the city for no less than twelve consecutive months immediately prior to the time of submission of declaration of candidacy.

Letters of interest were submitted by the following individuals and their eligibility to serve on council has been confirmed:

1. Daneen Looby
2. James "Matthew" Morrison
3. Brenda Baker

ALTERNATIVES: There are no alternatives.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that Council adopt Resolution 2021-44 after motion is made to amend the resolution to insert a name.

PROPOSED MOTIONS:

1. Main motion: I move to adopt Resolution 2021-44.
2. Motion to Amend: I move to amend Resolution 2021-44 by inserting the name "_____" in the blank.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS: I support staff's recommendations.

ATTACHMENTS: Letters of interest

5/18/2021

Dear City Council Members,

As a longtime resident of Unalaska that cares about the future of our community and our community members, I would like to ask the city council to consider me as a possible candidate in the replacement of resigning city council member Dave Gregory Seat D.

I feel that I have the dedication it takes to serve the public and have shown this by participating in every city council meeting over the last year. I am a hard worker and will put in the time needed to research and listen to issues as they come up on the agenda and make educated decisions that will benefit our community.

I have lived and worked in Unalaska for 30 years except for a short 13-year break while my husband and I sailed around the world. I have seen and lived through several changes to our community over the years and I would like to be an active participant in our community's future progress. As a business owner of two businesses in Unalaska and the owner of several properties I have a stake hold in our community. Unalaska is my home, and I would like to be part of the progress and future of Unalaska.

Thank you for your consideration,
Daneen Looby

From: James Morrison [mailto:dmattstr@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Marjorie Veeder
Subject: seat D

Hello City of Unalaska,

I am James "Matthew" Morrison.

I've been a resident of Unalaska since January of 2000. I've worked with Unisea for 6 years, and 'Williwa' waste management for several years. Now I work with the ILWU, full time, and I also own a business in town, the Friendly Broom Cleaning Company.

I know the town well, and I love our community.

I would like to fill the open seat until the next election.

Thanks for your consideration.

My name is Brenda Baker and I arrived in this beautiful community in 2015 to work for North Port Rentals/Aleutian Freight Services. I am now proud to call Unalaska my home.

I quickly learned that beyond the breathtaking scenery, the beauty of Unalaska is in the diversity of the people living, working and traveling here. On multiple occasions I have seen how this community rallies together to support fellow Unalaskan's in their time of need. That, above all else, has inspired my call to serve on the City Council. Many special interests are already well served on the current and past Councils but my desire is to be a voice for the community. I believe all Unalaskan's should have a voice.

For the past 25 years I have worked in logistics - problem solving at a high and creative level has been part of my experience during this time. Prior to my move to Unalaska I worked for 17 years at Horizon/Alaska Airlines starting on the ramp before moving to the AOG (Aircraft on the Ground) desk within Maintenance Control. I worked simultaneously with FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) in Region X covering Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska. I was hand picked by the Cadre Manager from my Emergency Management Degree Courses to work in the Mitigation Division for my ability to think outside the box and problem solving capabilities. I contributed to the FEMA Mitigation handbooks for windstorms, winter storms, earthquakes and and tsunamis – little did I realize this knowledge would come in handy living in Unalaska.

It would be an exciting honor to serve this great community of Unalaska on your City Council.