

## CITY OF WASILLA

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Domonic L. Carney, Seat F

# WASILLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

7 P.M.

**MONDAY, JUNE 22, 1998** 

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. SPECIAL ORDERS
  - A. Presentation From Mr. Gary Brooks, IBEW.
- 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORTS
- 7. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Minutes of Preceding Meetings:
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    - 3. Ordinance Serial No. 98-32: "Directing the City Clerk to Submit the Question of a Manager Plan of Government to the Qualified Voters

of the City at the October 6, 1998, Regular City Election." (IM No. 98-62) (Requested by Council Member Chappel)

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## D. Council Memorandums

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- 2. CM No. 98-32: Temporary Suspension WMC 5.10.110, Non-conforming Water Service.
- 3. CM No. 98-33: Request for Sewer Assistance Program.
- 4. CM No. 98-35: Award of Contract for Skate Park Construction.
- 5. CM No. 98-36: Award of Contract for Iditapark Tennis Courts.
- 8. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)
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  - B. Resolution Serial No. 98-19: "Confirming the Special Assessment Roll for the Patricia Avenue Paving Assessment District No. 96P2 and Providing for the Levy and Payment of the Assessment."
  - C. Resolution Serial No. 98-20: "Confirming the Special Assessment Roll for the Woodcrest Paving Assessment District No. 96P1 and Providing for the Levy and Payment of the Assessment."
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  - B. Mr. Al Jorgensen: Expanding City Limits.
  - C. Representative of the Friends of Library: Resolution Serial No. 98-21.
- 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## 11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution Serial No. 98-21: "Calling For A Ballot Proposition To Be Presented To The Voters Of The City Of Wasilla, Alaska At The October 6, 1998 Regular Election, Authorizing The Issuance Of A General Obligation Bond Issue Not To Exceed Ten Million (\$10,000,000) For The Construction Of A New Wasilla Public Library In The City Of Wasilla, And Authorizing One Half (1/2) Percent Increase In The Sales Tax To Pay For The General Obligation Bonds." (IM No. 98-58) (Requested by Council Member Carney)
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- C. CM No. 98-34: Library Funding Shortfall.

#### 12. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes: May 14, 1998--final and June 11, 1998--draft.
- B. Wasilla Planning Commission Minutes: June 9, 1998--draft.
- 13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS
- 14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (Three minutes per person.)
- 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION
  - A. Clerk Evaluation
- 16. COUNCIL COMMENTS
- 17. ADJOURNMENT

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council has held on Monday, June 22, 1998, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla Alaska. Mayor Sarah Palin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Palin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 3. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Nick Carney Mrs. Dianne Keller Mr. Dave Chappel Mr. Norman Fuller Mrs. Colleen Cottle Mrs. Judy Patrick

#### Staff in attendance were:

Mrs. Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk

Mrs. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk

Mr. John Cramer, Deputy Administrator

Mr. Dean Baugh, Senior Accountant

Mr. Ken Jacobus, City Attorney

Ms. Mary Ellen Baker, Library Director

Mr. Charlie Fannon, Chief of Police

Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner

Mr. Erling Nelson, Finance Director

Mrs. Cindy Roberts, Public Works Director

Mayor Palin announced that IBEW would make a presentation to the council at this time.

Mr. Gary Brooks, I.B.E.W., presented the city with a \$8,500 donation to fund the canine program.

## 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Palin requested the following change:

 To add CM No. 98-36; Award of contract for Iditapark Tennis Courts to the consent agenda.

There was no objection to the agenda as amended.

## 5. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORTS

Ms. Denise Loyer, Parks and Recreation Commission:

- Reported that the commission elected their officers, and Ms. Loyer was elected chair and Mrs. Deb Remus, co-chair.
- Stated that the commission is pursuing the issue of parks powers.
- Informed the council that the commission passed a resolution supporting a Fred Meyer Store in the valley.
- Expressed support for the Bumpus and Iditapark CIP nominations.
- Requested support for the repair of the existing basketball court at Iditapark, which would serve as an additional ice rink in the winter.

No other reports were presented.

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- 4. CM No. 98-35: Award of Contract for Skate Park Construction.
- 5. CM No. 98-36: Award of Contract for Iditapark Tennis Courts.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt the consent agenda.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

## 7. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Resolution Serial No. 98-18: "Confirming the Special Assessment Roll for the Century Park Paving Assessment District No. 94P3 and Providing for the Levy and Payment of the Assessment."

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the resolution: Mr. Patrick Johnson, and Mr. Rick Badget.

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Patrick seconded, to adopt Resolution Serial No. 98-18.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution Serial No. 98-19: "Confirming the Special Assessment Roll for the Patricia Avenue Paving Assessment District No. 96P2 and Providing for the Levy and Payment of the Assessment."

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing and there being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt

Resolution Serial No. 98-19.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

> Resolution Serial No. 98-20: "Confirming the Special Assessment Roll for the C. Woodcrest Paving Assessment District No. 96P1 and Providing for the Levy and

Payment of the Assessment."

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing, and there being no persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt

Resolution Serial No. 98-20.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

> D. Ordinance Serial No. 98-27: "Adopting Chapter 13.60, Skateboarding." (IM No. 98-53) (Requested By Council Member Chappel)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Mr. Vern Rupright, Mr. Zach Crothers, Ms. Alita Ryen, Mrs. Bernadette Rupright, Mr. Kevin Worrell, Ms. Cathy Bartech, Mr. Sean Wilson, "Kenny," Mr. Issac Randall, Mr. Jeremy Cott, Mr. Matt Miller, and Ms. Jesse Hale spoke in opposition of the ordinance as presented.

The following individuals stated they were concerned about the skateboarding on Glenwood Avenue, as well as the local bike and pedestrian trails: Mr. Eric Poetzch and Mrs. Barbara Poetzch.

Mr. Buck Matlock stated he does not support the current content of the ordinance.

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt

Ordinance Serial No. 98-27.

Discussion followed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded a primary

> amendment, to amend 13.60.020(A) (2), to read: "The operation is prohibited in certain areas, on any public or private property, unless public or private property is

posted authorizing skateboarding in that area."

MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved, Council Member Carney seconded, to postpone

Ordinance Serial No. 98-27 indefinitely.

VOTE: The motion failed with Council Members Carney and Fuller in favor.

VOTE: The primary amendment failed with Council Members Cottle and Fuller in favor.

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MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded to postpone

Ordinance Serial No. 98-27 and bring back a substitute ordinance to hold a public

hearing.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

E. Ordinance Serial No. 98-28: "Authorizing The Exchange Of Properties And Rights-Of-Way Within Lot 13A, Block 3, Snider Subdivision To Create Access Across Iditapark (Old Airport Site) And Exchange Property At The Southwest Corner Of Old Wasilla Airport."

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Mrs. Annette Olejniczak, Mr. Harold Newcomb, and Mrs. Bernadette Rupright spoke in favor of he ordinance.

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the pubic hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt

Ordinance Serial No. 98-28.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

F. Ordinance Serial No. 98-29: "Providing For The Adoption Of The CIP Budget For The Fiscal Year 1999 And Appropriating Funds To Carry Out Said Budgets." (IM No. 98-55)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Mrs. Bernadtte Rupright spoke on favor of the Winter Recreation Staging Area/Trailhead CIP, as well as, the Bumpus Ballfield upgrade and Iditapark development.

Mr. Harold Newcomb spoke on favor of the airport improvements and the easterly waterline extension.

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt

Ordinance Serial No. 98-29.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

#### 8 PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- A. Ms. Margaret Voltz, Children's Advocacy Center: Appreciation Presentation.
- Thanked the council for their support of the Children's Advocacy Center.

- B. Mr. Al Jorgensen: Expanding City Limits.
- Requested support from the council in expanding the city limits to Trunk Road.
- C. Ms. Marian Romano, Friends of Library:.
- Supports Resolution Serial No. 98-21, and stated that the decision of increasing the sales tax to pay for the construction of a new Wasilla Public Library should be made by the voters.

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MOTION: Council Member Carney moved, Council Member Fuller seconded, to adopt Resolution Serial No. 98-21.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion failed with Council Members Carney and Fuller in favor.

B. CM No. 98-26: Council Policy Establishing Guidelines For Grant Requests.

MOTION: Council Member Cottle moved, Council Member Patrick seconded, to adopt CM No. 98-26.

MOTION: Council Member Carney moved, Council Member Fuller seconded a primary amendment, to eliminate in the second paragraph, second line, "the benefited organization is physically located within Wasilla City limits."

VOTE: The primary amendment failed with Council Members Carney and Fuller in favor.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved, Council Member Carney seconded a primary amendment, to state that preference would be given to those organizations located with city limits.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed with Council Members Cottle and Keller opposed.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved, Council Member Patrick seconded a primary amendment, to replace the words "general public" in the second paragraph with "by residents of the city of Wasilla."

VOTE: The primary amendment passed with Council Members Carney and Fuller opposed.

VOTE: The main motion as amended passed with Council Member Carney opposed.

C. CM No. 98-34: Library Funding Shortfall.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded to adopt CM No.

Discussion followed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Patrick seconded, to postpone

CM No. 98-34 until the next meeting, and direct administration to provide more

information on the subject of user fees.

VOTE: The motion passed with Council Members Carney and Fuller opposed.

#### 11. COMMUNICATIONS

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No action was taken of any of the communication items.

# 12. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk:

 Reminded the council there are only three more council meetings scheduled until deadline for ballot propositions.

#### Mayor Palin:

- Informed the council that there has been a request to sublease space at the Wasilla Airport to establish a ticketing service for a commuter service to and from Anchorage.
- Reported that the Spruce Avenue and Weber Drive engineering designs have been finalized.
- Commented that road service crews have begun stripping city roads and that the City Hall and Wonderland parking lots are being paved soon.
- Stated that the ALPAR program is going well this year and the Water Festival events are fast approaching.
- Informed the council that park vendor permits are in the final review process.

## 13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

#### Mr. Harold Newcomb:

- Congratulated the city council and Mayor Palin on all of their achievements and stated the city has never looked better.
- Stated he does not believe the water supply in Wasilla is infinite and the city should consider alternative water sources.

## Mr. Al Jorgenson:

Commended staff on their hard work.

#### Mrs. Marian Romano:

- Appreciates the council's support and concern over the library-funding shortfall.
- Requested a work-session with the council in August to address the library issues.

## 14. COUNCIL COMMENTS

## Council Member Carney:

Requested information on the personal property tax issue.

#### Council Member Cottle

 Stated she believes it is inappropriate for council members to patronize the staff during meetings.

#### Council Member Keller:

- Thanked Mr. Newcomb and Mr. Jorgenson for their positive comments.
- Questioned whether or not the police patrol the parks and suggested that an undercover officer patrol them.

#### Council Member Patrick:

Commented on the Crusey Street stripping.

# Council Member Chappel:

• Thanked the council for their support of the skatebaord ordinance and appreciated all the public participation.

## 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Clerk Evaluation

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to enter into executive session to discuss the clerk's evaluation.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

Council Members Chappel, Cottle, Fuller, Keller, Patrick, and Mayor Palin entered into executive session, to discuss the city clerk's evaluation, in Mr. Cramer's office at 10:30 p.m. and exited at 10:57 p.m. Council Member Carney exited the meeting prior to entering into executive session.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved, Council Member Chappel seconded, to authorize a 4.46% wage increase for the city clerk.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously with Council Member Carney absent.

## 16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11 p.m.

SARAH PALIN, Mayor

ATTEST:

KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC/AAE

City Clerk

Minutes Approved: July 13, 1998