

MAYOR Sarah Palin

COUNCIL

Norman Fuller, Seat A
Dianne M. Keller, Seat B
Noel H. Lowe, Seat C
Judy Patrick, Seat D
Colleen G. Cottle, Seat E
Don Bennett, Seat F

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Wasilla City Hall, 290 East Herning Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654 (907) 373-9090

REGULAR MEETING

7 P.M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2000

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 5. SPECIAL ORDERS
- COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT
 - A. Iditarod Tail Committee
 - B. Planning Commission
 - C. Parks & Recreation Commission
 - D. Matanuska-Susitna Borough
- 7. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting:
 - 1. Regular Meeting: January 10, 2000.
 - B. Introductions (Public Hearing To Be Scheduled For: February 14, 2000)

- 1. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-12**: Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The Library Fund. (IM No. 00-16)
- 2. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-13**: Amending WMC 14.17.020, Off-Road Vehicle Operation, Adopting WMC 14.17.080, Equipment, Adopting 14.70.090, Towing, And Adopting WMC 14.70.100, Penalties And Impoundment. (IM No. 00-19)

C. Resolutions

1. **Resolution Serial No. 00-05**: Transferring Funds Within An Accounting Fund To Fund Preliminary Engineering For Street Improvements For Local Improvement Districts. (IM No. 00-20)

D. Council Memorandums

- 1. **CM No. 00-03**: Local Advertising Agreement.
- 2. **CM No. 00-05**: Award Of Professional Engineer Design Services Contract; Palmer-Wasilla Highway Extension Water And Sewer Mains.
- 3. **CM No. 00-06**: Award Of Professional Services Contract For Preliminary Engineering And Cost Estimates.
- 8. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)
 - A. Ordinance Serial No. 00-05: Amending The FY-00 Budget By Revising The Revenue Budget Accounts In The Youth Court Special Revenue Fund To Match Actual Grant Awards. (IM No. 00-07)
 - B. Ordinance Serial No. 00-06: Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The Vehicle Fund. (IM No. 00-06)
 - C. Ordinance Serial No. 00-07: Adopting WMC. 14.02, State Traffic Laws Adopted, And Repealing WMC Chapter 14.01, Uniform Traffic Laws And Bail Schedule. (IM 00-09)
 - D. Ordinance Serial No. 00-08: Adopting WMC Chapter 13.70, Trespass On Public And Private Property And Vehicles. (IM No. 00-10)
 - E. Ordinance Serial No. 00-09 Adopting WMC 1.24.015, General Penalty, And Repealing WMC 1.24.010, General Penalty. (IM No. 00-11)
 - F. Ordinance Serial No. 00-10: Adopting WMC 6.24, Preference For City Purchasing And Contract Awards, And Repealing WMC 6.24.190-.220 Local Preference. (IM No. 00-13)

- G. Ordinance Serial No. 00-11: Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The General Fund For Professional Services Funding For The MBL Group. (IM No. 00-15)
- 9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)
 - A. Mr. Jim Messick, Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry.
- 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. **Resolution Serial No. 99-44**: Amending the Salary Management System and Salary Structure.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **CM No. 00-04**: Home Rule.
- B. **CM No. 00-07**: Kinetic Aviation.
- C. **Resolution Serial No. 00-01**: In Support Of Designating The Palmer-Wasilla Highway As The James Arland Rowland, Jr. Memorial Highway.

12. COMMUNICATION

- A. **IM No. 00-17**: Expenses Greater Than \$5,000 For October December 1999.
- B. IM No. 00-18: December 1999 Expenditure Report.
- C. Operating Funds Budget Schedule.
- D. Draft Wasilla Planning Commission Minutes: January 11, 2000.
- 13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS
- 14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (Three minutes per person.)
- 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - A. Pending Litigation, Property Acquisition, Confidential Attorney-Client Communications.
- 16. COUNCIL COMMENTS
- 17. ADJOURNMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, January 24, 2000, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Palin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Colleen Cottle Norm Fuller Noel Lowe Dianne Keller Judy Patrick

Council Member Bennett was absent and excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk
Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk
John Cramer, Deputy Administrator
Ric Davidge, Economic Development Planner
Charlie Fannon, Police Chief
Ken Jacobus, City Attorney
Tim Krug, City Planner
Erling Nelson, Finance Director
Don Shiesl, Public Works Director

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Palin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Palin:

 Requested to add Mr. Rick Koch, President of the Iditarod Trail Committee to speak under agency reports.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

Council Member Patrick:

Requested to move Resolution Serial No. 00-01 to new business.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

Council Member Cottle:

Requested to enter into executive session.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

VOTE: The agenda, as amended, passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDERS

There were no special orders.

COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT

A. Iditarod Trail Committee

Mr. Rick Koch, President of the Iditarod Trail Committee:

- Thanked the city for its continued support of the Iditarod Sled Dog Race.
- Spoke about the plans for the race this year.
- Answered questions from the council.

B. Planning Commission

Commissioner McCarthy:

- Announced the commission passed a resolution supporting the construction of a hanger at the airport.
- Stated a Trails Meeting will be held on January 31, beginning at 1 p.m. to discuss Winter Trails from Wasilla to Big Lake.
- Reported the commission is considering changing their meeting date.

C. Parks And Recreation Commission

Commissioner Rupright:

- Spoke about bike trail issues.
- Reported on items discussed at the last commission meeting.

D. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Assembly Member Kelly:

- Reported on issues facing the Mat-Su Borough that will affect Wasilla.
- Requested input from the city regarding issues that may be addressed with the Mat-Su Borough.
- Spoke on traffic issues facing Wasilla.

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MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved to adopt the consent agenda.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

8. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Ordinance Serial No. 00-05: Amending The FY-00 Budget By Revising The Revenue Budget Accounts In The Youth Court Special Revenue Fund To Match Actual Grant Awards. (IM No. 00-07)

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

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-05.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

B. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-06**: Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The Vehicle Fund. (IM No. 00-06)

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

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-06.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

C. Ordinance Serial No. 00-07: Adopting WMC. 14.02, State Traffic Laws Adopted, And Repealing WMC Chapter 14.01, Uniform Traffic Laws And Bail Schedule. (IM 00-09)

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

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-07.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

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

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-08.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimoulsy.

E. Ordinance Serial No. 00-09 Adopting WMC 1.24.015, General Penalty, And Repealing WMC 1.24.010, General Penalty. (IM No. 00-11)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Mrs. Bernadette Rupright commented on 1.24.015(C).

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

MOTION: Council Member Lowe moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-09.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

F. Ordinance Serial No. 00-10: Adopting WMC 6.24, Preference For City Purchasing And Contract Awards, And Repealing WMC 6.24.190-.220 Local Preference. (IM No. 00-13)

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

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-10.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

G. Ordinance Serial No. 00-11: Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The General Fund For Professional Services Funding For The MBL Group. (IM No. 00-15)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Mrs. Bernadette Rupright spoke in opposition to the ordinance.

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

MOTION: Council Member Lowe moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-11.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion passed with Council Member Cottle opposed.

9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

A. Mr. Jim Messick, Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry.

Mr. Messick presented an overview of the museum and requested continued support from the city.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. **Resolution Serial No. 99-44**: Amending the Salary Management System and Salary Structure.

PREVIOUS MOTION:

Council Member Patrick moved a primary amendment to postpone Resolution Serial No. 99-44 to the council meeting of January 24, 2000. (Motion on the floor from the meeting of

December 27, 2000).

MOTION:

Council Member Fuller moved a primary amendment to postpone Resolution Serial No. 99-44 until the regular meeting of March 13, 2000.

Discussion followed.

MOTION:

Council Member Keller moved an amendment to direct administration to provide the employee committee with any information they request and to have the committee put their questions in writing, and to allocate \$1000 for the fees which may be incurred from the questions, and to schedule a teleconference with the MBL Group to address concerns raised by the employee committee, with the findings of the employee committee to be put into writing to the council.

Discussion followed.

VOTE:

The amendment passed unanimously.

MOTION:

Council Member Patrick moved a secondary amendment to postpone Resolution Serial No. 99-44 to a special meeting on March 6, 2000.

Discussion followed.

VOTE:

The amendment failed with Council Members Cottle, Fuller, and Lowe in favor.

Discussion followed.

MOTION:

Council Member Lowed moved a secondary amendment to postpone Resolution Serial No. 99-44 to a special meeting on March 6, 2000 with the MBL Group to present information to the council and to conduct manager training.

Discussion followed.

VOTE:

The secondary amendment failed unanimously.

MOTION:

Council Member Lowe moved for reconsideration of the secondary amendment to postpone Resolution Serial No. 99-44 to a special meeting on March 6, 2000.

GENERAL CONSENT:

There was no objection to the reconsideration.

Discussion followed on the secondary amendment to postpone Resolution Serial No. 99-44 to a special meeting on March 6, 2000

VOTE:

The motion passed unanimously. (The action taken on the amendment was deemed final on the motion itself and allowed to stand).

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

Α CM No. 00-04: Home Rule.

MOTION:

Council Member Lowe moved to adopt CM No. 00-04, supporting the intent of administration to gather information on home rule status' advantages, disadvantages and to work with staff members, the attorney. the AML, and local legislators on the issue.

VOTE:

The motion passed unanimously.

B. CM No. 00-07: Kinetic Aviation.

MOTION:

Council Member Keller moved to approve CM No. 00-07.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Davidge answered questions from the council.

VOTE:

The motion to adopt CM No. 00-07 failed unanimously.

MOTION:

Council Member Fuller moved to direct administration to draft a letter of intent for property lease to Kinetic Aviation to bring forward to the council.

Discussion continued.

VOTE:

The motion passed unanimously.

C. Resolution Serial No. 00-01: In Support Of Designating The Palmer-Wasilla Highway As The James Arland Rowland, Jr. Memorial Highway.

MOTION:

Council Member Patrick moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 00-01.

Discussion followed.

VOTE:

The motion passed unanimously.

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Council Member Cottle requested that the clerk schedule either a work session or a special meeting on May 1, 2000 to discuss the FY-01 budget.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

City Attorney:

Supports the Home Rule concept.

Mayor Palin:

- Commented on the Wasilla Area Seniors Board.
- Spoke on the Iditarod Sled Dog Race.
- Reported on the city's legislative priorities.

Public Works Director:

- Stated the city will now have to begin matching grants at 50 percent.
- Commented that proposed water and sewer projects exceed \$1 Million.
- Stated the sewer pumper truck replacement will cost approximately \$120,000.
- Spoke on funding for possible asbestos abatement.

14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Cathy Petrie thanked the council for continuing to work with the employee committee and clarified that 19 employees are opposed to the MBL Study and 6 are in favor.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION:

Council Member Keller moved to enter into executive session to discuss potential or pending litigation to which the city of Wasilla may become or is a party; matters, the immediate public knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the city; confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of facilitating the retention of professional legal services to the city, and land acquisition or disposal.

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GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

The council recessed at 10:21 p.m. and reconvened at 10:27 p.m. in executive session.

The entire council, mayor, deputy administrator, city attorney, city planner, and economic development planner entered into executive session at 10:27 p.m. executive exited at 10:58 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved to extend the meeting to 11:30 p.m.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

The council re-entered executive session at 10:58 p.m. and exited at 11:21 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Lowe moved to direct administration to enter into

negotiations with Mr. Gary Lundgren for purchase of property.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

16. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Patrick:

Volunteered to serve on the Wasilla Area Seniors Board.

Council Member Keller:

Thanked the employee committee.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:24 p.m.

City Clerk

Minutes Approved: February 14, 2000