



**MAYOR**  
Sarah Palin

**COUNCIL**  
Howard O'Neil, Seat A  
Dianne M. Keller, Seat B  
Noel H. Lowe, Seat C  
Judy Patrick, Seat D  
Ron Cox, Seat E  
Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat F

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**WASILLA CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING AGENDA**

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

**REGULAR MEETING**

**7 P.M.**

**JANUARY 28, 2002**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **SPECIAL ORDERS**
6. **COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT (Five minutes per agency.)**
  - A Planning Commission
  - B. Parks And Recreation Commission
  - C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough
  - D. Hattenburg & Dilley: Railroad Relocation Presentation.
7. **CONSENT AGENDA**
  - A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting:
    1. Regular Meeting: January 14, 2002

- B. Introductions (Public Hearing To Be Scheduled For: February 11, 2002)
1. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-03:** Amending The FY-02 Budget By Adjusting Public Works Sewer And Water Projects To Match Actual Funding Sources.
  2. **Ordinance Serial 02-04:** Amending The FY-02 Library Budget In Order To Purchase Shelving.
  3. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-05:** Amending The FY-02 Budget By Appropriating \$70,000 From The Vehicle Fund's, Fund Balance To The Vehicle Fund For The Purchase Of A Motor Grader.

C. Resolutions

1. **Resolution Serial No. 02-04:** In Support Of A Voluntary Annual Clean-Up Campaign During 2002 And 2003, In Cooperation With The Matanuska-Susitna Borough, The Alaska Army National Guard And Other Organizations To Remove Junk.

D. Council Memorandums

1. **CM No. 02-07:** Award of Investment Management Services for February 1, 2002 through February 28, 2005.

8. **PUBLIC HEARING** (Three minutes per person.)

- A. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-01:** To Amend The FY-02 Budget By \$53,429 For The Alaska State Troopers Sex Abuse Of Minors (SAM) Grant And Approve A New Investigator Position For The Police Department.
- B. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-02:** To Amend The FY-02 Budget By Approving And Accepting State Of Alaska, Department Of Revenue, Alcohol Beverage Control Board Grant For \$5,000 To The Police Department.

9. **PERSONS TO BE HEARD** (Three minutes per person.)

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

**12. COMMUNICATION**

- A. **IM No. 02-01:** Railroad Location Update.
- B. Wasilla Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes: November 13, 2001.

**13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

**14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS** (Three minutes per person.)

**15. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Land Disposal.

**16. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, January 28, 2002, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Sarah Palin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Howard O'Neil, Seat A  
Ms. Dianne Keller, Seat B  
Mr. Noel Lowe, Seat C  
Mr. Ron Cox, Seat E  
Ms. Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat F

Council Member Patrick was absent and excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk  
Mr. John Cramer, Deputy Administrator  
Mr. Tom Klinkner, City Attorney  
Mr. Ted Leonard, Finance Director  
Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner  
Mr. Don Shiesl, Public Works Director  
Mr. Craig Robinson, Police Lieutenant

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Palin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection to approve the agenda as presented.

**5. SPECIAL ORDERS**

The council sang "Happy Birthday" to Council Member Cox.

## 6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT

### A Planning Commission

No report was given.

### B. Parks And Recreation Commission

No report was given.

### C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Dan Kelly, Assembly Member:

- Commented that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough has many things happening at this time.
- Informed the council that they are dealing with the zoning issues and he has suggested that the borough give the public a three-year period to make changes to the zoning ordinance.

### D. Hattenburg & Dilley: Rail Road Relocation Presentation.

Scott Hattenburg, Hattenburg and Dilley, LLC:

- Presented the findings of the Alaska Railroad Relocation study.

Bruce Carr, Alaska Railroad:

- Spoke in support of the conclusions of the study.
- Stated that the original estimate of the project is \$30 million.
- Suggested that a task force between the Alaska Railroad, City of Wasilla and Mat-Su Borough be formed.

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1. **CM No. 02-07:** Award Of Investment Management Services For February 1, 2002 Through February 28, 2005.

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

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

## 8. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-01:** To Amend The FY-02 Budget By \$53,429 For The Alaska State Troopers Sex Abuse Of Minors (Sam) Grant And Approve A New Investigator Position For The Police Department.

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 02-01.

Steve Stoll spoke in opposition to the ordinance.

Margie Escobar, Marg Voltz and Dr. Cathy Baldwin-Johnson spoke in favor of the ordinance.

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

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 02-01.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

- B. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-02:** To Amend The FY-02 Budget By Approving And Accepting State Of Alaska, Department Of Revenue, Alcohol Beverage Control Board Grant For \$5,000 To The Police Department.

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

Discussion moved to the council.

MOTION: Council Member Cox moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 02-02.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

## 9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

There were no persons to be heard.

## 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## 11. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

## 12. COMMUNICATION

- A. **IM No. 02-01:** Railroad Location Update.
- B. Wasilla Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes: November 13, 2001.

There were no comments on the communication items.

## 13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Tom Klinkner, City Attorney:

- Reported that the redistricting trial is over and that the Alaska Supreme Court will issue a decision by February 1, 2002.
- Stated that all appeals must be filed by February 4, 2002.

Mayor Palin:

- Stated that the finance department average for sales tax is 12 percent higher than last year.
- Reported on the progress of the dispatch center.

- Stated that the library is working on an RFP to relocate the library.
- Reported that "Friends of Library" is donating \$3,000 for shelving.
- Stated that Lucille & Nelson Streets are holding up after being permazined earlier this fall and reported that they are scheduled to be paved this spring.
- Commented that staff is considering alternatives to the Alaska Department of Transportation's contribution to the city storm water system.

#### **14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

No comments were made.

#### **SUSPENSION OF RULES**

**MOTION:** Council Member Keller requested to suspend the rules to hear council comments prior to the executive session.

**GENERAL CONSENT:** There was no objection.

#### **16. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Keller:

- Stated that she attended the airport meeting that was held on January 25, 2002 and found it informative.
- Questioned when the Knik Goose Bay lights would be activated.
- Advised people to watch out for pedestrians with the road conditions being bad.

Council Member Lowe:

- Requested that the clerk to prepare a report from the previous six months indicating the amount of time each department has used the attorney and the amount of money spent by each department

Council Member Cox:

- Reported on the borough assembly meeting he attended on January 22, 2002, and encouraged all council member to attend Mat-Su Borough meetings when able.

Council Member Sullivan-Leonard:

- Expressed condolences to Mat-Su Borough Assembly Member Bush who recently lost his son.

#### **15. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION:** Council member Keller moved to enter executive session to discuss the disposal of city land.

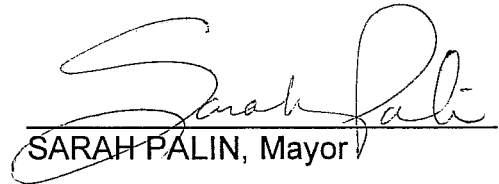
**GENERAL CONSENT:** There was no objection.



The entire council, mayor, deputy administrator, and city attorney entered the executive session at 8:22 p.m. and exited at 8:52 p.m. The executive session was held in the council conference room.

## 17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.



SARAH PALIN, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC  
City Clerk

Adopted: February 11, 2002