

## MAYOR

Dianne M. Keller

## COUNCIL

Howard O'Neil, Seat A
Diana L. Straub, Seat B
Noel H. Lowe, Seat C
Robert Sande, Seat D
Ron Cox, Seat E
Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat F

# WASILLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

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

## **WORK SESSION**

6 P.M.

**JANUARY 13, 2003** 

A. Building Setbacks – Joint Work Session With Planning Commission.

## **REGULAR MEETING**

7 P.M.

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 5. SPECIAL ORDERS
  - A. Mat-Su Resource Conservation & Development Council Certificate Of Appreciation To The City Of Wasilla.
- 6. **COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT** (Five minutes per agency.)
  - A Planning Commission
  - B. Parks And Recreation Commission
  - C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough
  - D. Multi-Use Sports Complex Update

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting:
  - 1. Regular Meeting: December 9, 2002.
- B. Introductions (Public Hearing To Be Scheduled For: January 27, 2003)
  - 1. **Ordinance Serial No. 03-03**: To Amend The FY-03 Budget By Reducing The Honor Garden Construction Expense Account And The State Of Alaska/Matanuska-Susitna Borough Pass Through Grant By \$28,000.
  - 2. **Ordinance Serial No. 03-04**: To Amend The FY-03 Budget To Approve And Accept A Minor Consuming Grant In The Amount Of \$5,000 From The State Department Of Transportation And Revise The Revenue And Expenditure Budget Accounts In The Youth Court Special Revenue Fund To Match Actual Revenue Being Realized From Various Grant And Contribution Sources.

## C. Resolutions

1. **Resolution Serial No. 03-01**: Transferring Funds Within An Accounting Fund In The Amount Of \$24,000 To Complete The Installation Of Bricks For The Armed Forces Honor Garden.

## D. Council Memorandums

- 1. **CM No. 03-01**: Appointment Of Parks And Recreation Commissioners And Planning Commissioners.
- 2. **CM No. 03-02**: 30-Year Lease Agreement For Lots 7, 8, & 9, New Wasilla Airport Lease Lots.
- 3. **CM No. 03-03**: Contract Amendment To Kenedar Inc., In The Amount Of \$32,296 For The Purchase Of Bricks For The Armed Forces Honor Garden.

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

- A. **Ordinance Serial No. 03-01**: To Amend The FY-03 Budget By Appropriating \$22,914 For The Airport Security Gate Project.
- B. **Ordinance Serial No. 03-02**: Amending The FY-03 Budget By Appropriating \$235,000 For The Bumpus Reservoir Facility.

- **9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD** (Three minutes per person.)
- 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- 11. NEW BUSINESS
- 12. COMMUNICATION
  - A. Draft Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes: December 10, 2002.
- 13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS
- **14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS** (Three minutes per person.)
- 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION
  - A. Lundgren Litigation.
- 16. COUNCIL COMMENTS
- 17. ADJOURNMENT

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, January 13, 2003, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Keller 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 (Deputy Mayor)

Ms. Diana Straub. Seat B

Mr. Noel Lowe, Seat C

Mr. Rob Sande, Seat D

Mr. Ron Cox, Seat E

Ms. Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat F

#### Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk

Ms. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk

Mr. Tom Klinkner, City Attorney

Mr. Ken Jacobus, City Attorney

Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner

Mr. Ted Leonard. Finance Director

Mr. Don Moore, Sports Arena Project Director

Mr. Don Savage, Police Chief

Mr. Don Shiesl, Public Works Director

Mr. Chester Simton, Library Director

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Keller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA 4.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented. No objection was raised

#### SPECIAL ORDERS 5.

A. Mat-Su Resource Conservation & Development Council Certificate Of Appreciation To The City Of Wasilla.

Mayor Keller spoke about the project that earned the certificate.

## **6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT** (Five minutes per agency.)

## A Planning Commission

## Commissioner Ray McCarthy:

- Thanked the council for meeting to discuss the proposed amnesty program for setback issues within the city;
- Suggested that the city consider hiring a code compliance officer;
- Reported that in 2002 land use permits were up 18 percent; and
- Spoke about a variance request under consideration by the commission.

## B. Parks And Recreation Commission

## Commissioner Dave Tuttle:

- Reported on the Honor Garden construction progress;
- Noted that the Honor Garden dedication ceremony is tentatively scheduled for Memorial Day or 4<sup>th</sup> of July;
- Spoke about the progress of the Equestrian trail project;
- Stated that new Welcome to Wasilla signs are under construction;
- Reported that the city is in the process of renewing their Tree City USA designation; and
- Discussed the progress of the Garden of Reflection project.
  - C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

No report was presented.

## D. Multi-Use Sports Complex Update

## Mr. Don Moore, Project Coordinator

- Updated the council on the development of the sports complex;
- Discussed indoor turf vs. hard floor court in the facility;
- Reported that the facility will require a subsidy for maintenance and operation and that subsidies for other facilities statewide range from 25 to 33 percent;
- Noted that the facility will take approximately 12 months to complete; and
- Spoke about land ownership and the need for an arena manager within the next few months.

Mayor Keller spoke about her experience in reviewing other facilities throughout the State and noted that subsidies will be required to operate the facility.

Discussion moved to the council. No action was taken.

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CONSENT AGENDA: Council Member O'Neil moved to adopt the consent agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed without objection.

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

A. Ordinance Serial No. 03-01: To Amend The FY-03 Budget By Appropriating \$22,914 For The Airport Security Gate Project.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing and there being no one who wished to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Lowe moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 03-01.

Council Member Sande requested more information on the airport security gate project and inquired about the completion date.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

B. Ordinance Serial No. 03-02: Amending The FY-03 Budget By Appropriating \$235,000 For The Bumpus Reservoir Facility.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing and there being no one who wished to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Lowe moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 03-02.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

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

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. Draft Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes: December 10, 2002.

No action was taken on the communication item.

## 13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

## City Clerk:

- Reported that she is currently working on FY-04 budget preparation;
- Inquired if any council members were interested in attending the AML Conference which will be held in Nome in November 2003; and
- Noted that a meeting with the borough on library issues is tentatively scheduled for March 2003.

## Mayor Keller:

- Reported that she recently toured several sports arenas around the State, as well
  as, the newly constructed dispatch facility in Fairbanks and found the tours
  extremely informative; and
- Stated she will keep the council apprised of new developments relating to the Sports Complex and Dispatch Center projects.

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

No comments were made.

#### 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Lundgren Litigation.

MOTION:

Council Member Cox moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of potential or pending litigation to which the City of Wasilla may become or is a party specifically the Lundgren Case.

GENERAL CONSENT: No objection was raised.

Mayor Keller, the entire City Council, the Sports Complex Project Director, the Public Works Director, the City Planner, City Attorney Tom Klinkner, and Attorney Ken Jacobus entered executive session at 8:10 p.m. in the council conference room. The executive session exited at 9:20 p.m.

No action was taken from the Executive Session.

#### 16. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Straub:

- Stated she found the executive session informative; and
- Enjoyed meeting with the Planning Commission this evening.

#### Council Member Sande:

• Reported he recently toured the Transportation Museum and found it enjoyable.

Council Member Sullivan-Leonard:

- Shared upcoming meetings, open houses, and presentations sponsored by the Alaska Railroad;
- Inquired about an award ceremony for emergency service personnel;
- Expressed her interest in traveling to Washington DC to represent the city; and
- Discussed why she would be the most suited for lobbying efforts in Washington DC.

Council Member Lowe also expressed an interest in traveling to Washington DC.

The council requested that the clerk bring back to the next regular city council meeting the funding currently available for travel in the council budget and during the meeting the council will decide who, if any, will travel to Washington DC. No objection was raised.

Council Member O'Neil:

 Questioned the attorney as to the process of the city relinquishing library powers to the borough.

The attorney stated that the issue would take further research.

Discussion by the council ensued regarding library issues. No action was taken.

## 17. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:45

MANNE M. KELLER, May

ATTEST:

KRISTIE L. SMITHERS, CMC

City Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla City Council on January 27, 2003.