



**MAYOR**

Dianne M. Keller

**COUNCIL**

Howard O'Neil, Seat A  
Diana L. Straub, Seat B  
Steven Menard, Seat C  
Marty Metiva, Seat D  
Ron Cox, Seat E  
Mark A. Ewing, Seat F

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**WASILLA CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING AGENDA**

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

**REGULAR MEETING**

**7 P.M.**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2005**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A. Presentation of colors by Boy Scout Troop 300

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**V. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS**

A. Planning Commission

B. Parks and Recreation Commission

C. Airport Advisory Commission

D. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

E. North America Outdoor Institute: Outdoor Safety and Avalanche Awareness Education.

1. Ms. Debra McGhan, President.

## VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### A. Public Hearings

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-79:** To Amend The FY-06 Police Department Budget By Appropriating \$4,388 In Funds From The State Of Alaska, Alaska Highway Safety Office For Overtime Expended In Participating In The Strategic Evaluation States DUI Enforcement Grant Program.
2. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-80:** To Amend The FY-06 Police Department Budget By Appropriating \$9,050 In Funds From The State Of Alaska, Alaska Highway Safety Office For Overtime Expended In Participating In The DUI Holiday Enforcement Grant Program.
3. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-81:** To Amend The FY-06 Police Department Budget By Appropriating Funds From The Click It Or Ticket Seatbelt Enforcement Incentive Program From The State Of Alaska, Alaska Highway Safety Office For The Purchase Of A Rifle For The Department's Motorcycle In The Amount Of \$1,000.
4. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-82:** Repealing WMC 9.08.010, Strict Liability For Damage To Private Property, And WMC 9.08.020, Remedies.
5. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-83:** Amending WMC 13.04.190 Water Main Extensions By Private Developers And WMC 13.08.100 Sewer Extensions By Private Developers To Provide That A Water Main Or Sewer Extension Agreement Is Subject To Council Approval Only When The Extension Benefits Other Properties.

### B. Persons to be Heard

## VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

### A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting

1. Regular Meeting: October 24, 2005

B. Introduction of Ordinances: Recommended Public Hearing on November 28, 2005.

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-76:** Amending The FY-06 Police Department Budget By Accepting The State Of Alaska Commerce Community & Economic Development Grant In The Amount Of \$70,000 And Reducing The Department Of Justice Byrne Grant By \$58,371 To The Award Amount Of \$12,464.

C. Resolutions

D. Action Memorandums

## **IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

A. **AM No. 05-65:** Contract Amendment To Public Safety Consultants, Inc. In The Amount Of \$12,000 For The Computer Aided Dispatch Project Management Services.

B. **AM No. 05-66:** Contract Amendment To R&M Consultants, Inc. In The Amount Of \$33,712 For The Additional Mapping, Survey Control, And Geographic Information Systems Services.

C. **AM No. 05-64:** Approval of 2006 City Council Meeting Schedule.

## **XI. COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Information Memorandums

1. **IM No. 05-17:** 2006 Holiday Schedule.

B. Commission Minutes

1. Planning Commission: October 25, 2005

## **XII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

## **XIII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

## **XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

## **XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

## **XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, November 14, 2005 at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Dianne M. Keller called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

- Mr. Howard O'Neil, Seat A, Deputy Mayor
- Ms. Diana Straub, Seat B
- Mr. Steve Menard, Seat C
- Mr. Marty Metiva, Seat D
- Mr. Ron Cox, Seat E
- Mr. Mark Ewing, Seat F

Staff in attendance were:

- Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk
- Ms. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk
- Ms. Sandra Garley, City Planner
- Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director
- Mr. Don Savage, Police Chief
- Mr. Ron Singel, Economic Development Director
- Mr. Bruce Urban, Manager of Recreation and Cultural Services

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Boy Scout Troop 300 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Keller requested to move AM No. 05-65 and 05-66 from the consent agenda to new business.

Council Member Ewing requested to move AM No. 05-64 from the consent agenda to new business.

**V. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

There were no special orders.

## VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS

### A. Planning Commission

Sandra Garley, City Planner:

- reported on the November 8, 2005 Planning Commission Meeting; and
- noted the November 22, 2005 Planning Commission Meeting is canceled.

### B. Parks and Recreation Commission

Commissioner Joan Matthews:

- noted that the Christmas Tree Lighting is scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Old Townsite;
- reported that the commission is developing identifier signs for City Parks to include the name of the park, a brief history, and basic rules; and
- noted the commission is exploring land acquisition for a dog park.

Council Member Cox requested additional information on the Tree Lighting Ceremony and the proposed Bark Park and Commissioner Matthews addressed his questions.

### C. Airport Advisory Commission

Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director:

- reported on an upcoming joint meeting with the commission and airport users; and
- noted that the commission is reviewing lease rates for the airport;

### D. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

No report was presented.

### E. North America Outdoor Institute: Outdoor Safety and Avalanche Awareness Education.

#### 1. Ms. Debra McGhan, President.

Ms. McGhan:

- presented a short video on avalanche awareness;
- spoke about mission of the North American Outdoor Institute, which is to provide outdoor safety awareness education to the residents of Wasilla; and
- requested financial support from the city in the amount of \$3,000.

## VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### A. Public Hearings

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-79:** To Amend The FY-06 Police Department Budget By Appropriating \$4,388 In Funds From The State Of Alaska, Alaska Highway Safety Office For Overtime Expended In Participating In The Strategic Evaluation States DUI Enforcement Grant Program.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 05-79.

Ms. Anne Kilkenny questioned why the item appeared on the agenda and encouraged the council to amend ordinances that require items of this nature to come before the council.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed without objection.

2. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-80:** To Amend The FY-06 Police Department Budget By Appropriating \$9,050 In Funds From The State Of Alaska, Alaska Highway Safety Office For Overtime Expended In Participating In The DUI Holiday Enforcement Grant Program.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 05-80 and there being no one who wished to present testimony the public hearing closed.

MOTION: Council Member Cox moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-80.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-80 passed without objection.

3. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-81:** To Amend The FY-06 Police Department Budget By Appropriating Funds From The Click It Or Ticket Seatbelt Enforcement Incentive Program From The State Of Alaska, Alaska Highway Safety Office For The Purchase Of A Rifle For The Department's Motorcycle In The Amount Of \$1,000.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 05-81 and there being no one who wished to present testimony the public hearing closed.

MOTION: Council Member Cox moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-81.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-81 passed without objection.

4. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-82:** Repealing WMC 9.08.010, Strict Liability For Damage To Private Property, And WMC 9.08.020, Remedies.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 05-82 and there being no one who wished to present testimony the public hearing closed.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-82.

Discussion moved to the council.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-82 passed unanimously.

5. **Ordinance Serial No. 05-83:** Amending WMC 13.04.190 Water Main Extensions By Private Developers And WMC 13.08.100 Sewer Extensions By Private Developers To Provide That A Water Main Or Sewer Extension Agreement Is Subject To Council Approval Only When The Extension Benefits Other Properties.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 05-83 and there being no one who wished to present testimony the public hearing closed.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-83.

Discussion moved to the council.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved a primary amendment to Section 2 of the ordinance, to read as follows: ...a water main extension agreement with the city and approved by the city council.

Discussion followed by the council and staff answered questions.

Council Member Menard requested a recess. No objection was raised.

The council recessed at 7:36 p.m. and reconvened at 7:39 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved the previous question.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion to move the previous question passed without objection.

VOTE: The primary amendment failed with Council Member Ewing in favor and Council Members Cox, Menard, Metiva, O'Neil, and Straub opposed.

Discussion continued by the council and staff answered questions.

VOTE: The main motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 05-83 passed with Council Members Cox, Menard, Metiva, and O'Neil in favor and Council Members Ewing and Straub opposed.

B. Persons to be Heard

There were no persons to be heard.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

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C. Resolutions

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The city clerk read the consent agenda into the record.

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

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion to adopt the consent agenda passed without objection.

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **AM No. 05-65:** Contract Amendment To Public Safety Consultants, Inc. In The Amount Of \$12,000 For The Computer Aided Dispatch Project Management Services.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved to adopt AM No. 05-65.



Mayor Keller invited Mr. Charlie Fannon, Representative of Public Safety Consultants Inc., to speak on AM No. 05-65.

Mr. Fannon reported on the status of the Computer Aided Dispatch project and the need to amend the original contract.

Discussion moved to the council and Mr. Fannon answered questions.

VOTE: The motion to adopt AM No. 05-65 passed unanimously.

- B. **AM No. 05-66:** Contract Amendment To R&M Consultants, Inc. In The Amount Of \$33,712 For The Additional Mapping, Survey Control, And Geographic Information Systems Services.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved to adopt AM No. 05-66.

Discussion moved to the council and staff answered questions.

VOTE: The motion to adopt AM No. 05-66 passed unanimously.

- C. **AM No. 05-64:** Approval of 2006 City Council Meeting Schedule.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved to adopt AM No. 05-64.

Discussion moved to the council.

MOTION: Council Member Ewing moved a primary amendment to direct the clerk to break the proposed January 28, 2006 City Council Retreat and Initiative Setting into two sessions with the first to be scheduled for January 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. and the second session on January 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at noon at the Wasilla Multi-Use Sports Complex.

GENERAL CONSENT: The primary amendment passed without objection.

GENERAL CONSENT: The main motion, as amended, passed without objection.

## **XI. COMMUNICATIONS**

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### B. Commission Minutes

- 1. Planning Commission: October 25, 2005

There were no comments on the communication items.

## **XII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

City Clerk:

- reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule;
- noted tickets for the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Holiday Party must be purchased by November 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon;
- spoke about the records destruction underway by staff; and
- thanked the council for allowing staff to attend the Alaska Municipal League Conference.

Mayor Keller:

- presented a written report to the council;
- encouraged everyone to remember the sacrifice being made by American Troops and their families this holiday season; and
- commented that she was honored to see the President George W. Bush today in Anchorage.

## **XIII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Ms. Anne Kilkenny :

- spoke in favor of allowing the Mayor to accept grants up to \$10,000 without council approval;
- encouraged the council to adopt a resolution supporting the restoration of municipal revenue sharing; and
- welcomed newly elected Council Members Menard and Metiva.

## **XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Cox:

- commented the recent water outage in Mission Hills;
- noted he enjoyed attending the Alaska Municipal Conference, November 7 – 11, 2005 in Anchorage; and
- inquired about the process for amending the budget.

Staff spoke about the code requirements for budget amendments and fund transfers.

The council requested that the city attorney bring forward suggestions on how to streamline the budget amendment process in cases where the amendment is less than the mayor's purchasing authority.

Council Member Ewing:

- shared his experiences from the Alaska Municipal League Conference;
- requested to make a 10-minute presentation at an upcoming council meeting on telecommunications and how it relates to Homeland Security; and
- thanked the audience for attending the meeting.

Council Member Straub:

- stated her support of the All-Alaskan Gasline Route and the community dividend program it offers;
- commented on the astronomical cost of energy in rural Alaska; and
- stated the Alaska Municipal League Conference was successful and a good use of tax payers money.

Council Member Metiva:

- commented on the success of the Alaska Municipal League Conference.

Council Member Menard:

- inquired about the Luper kennel issue;
- supports receiving a written report from administration to include development permits issued in advance of council meetings;
- supports the city purchasing top computers for council members to use while serving in office; and
- supports the strict use of Roberts Rules of Order during council meetings.

Mayor Keller:

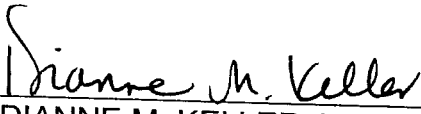
- shared information from the Alaska Municipal League Conference; and
- noted she does not support the concept of municipal consolidation in the Valley and would like to discuss the subject at the next Joint Tri-Cities Meeting.

## XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

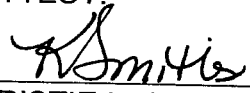
No executive session was held.

## XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

  
DIANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
KRISTIE L. SMITHERS, MMC  
City Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla City Council on , 2005.