

**South Addition Community Council  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
January 19, 2017**

**Call to Order:** the meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Jeff Manfull, SACC Vice President. The agenda was revised to allow three visiting UAA student nurses to present their spring project to the Council. There were no objections to the change.

The Minutes of the December 16, 2016 meeting were accepted with no changes.

**Reports**

**A. President's Report – Jeff Manfull, Vice President**

- Jeff recognized Rep Les Gara for having recently won a national award for help foster youth in Alaska and he's been instrumental in passing legislation to protect our young people who find themselves in foster care, most recently helping pass HB 27 An Act relating to the duties of the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to hearings on and plans for permanent placement of a child in need of aid; relating to school placement and transportation for children in foster care; relating to foster care transition programs; relating to emergency and temporary placement of a child in need of aid; relating to transitional living arrangements for children in foster care; and amending Rule 17.2, Alaska Child in Need of Aid Rules of Procedure. We thanked Les for his care and concern for our youth.
- Other communications from Jeff include:
- The Red Cross is offering free smoke detectors to low income individuals again this year.
- Next Tuesday, January 24, 2017, we were reminded the Assembly will address a potential sales tax in Anchorage.
- The Federation of Community Councils reminds residents not to park on public streets for 3 days after it snows, allowing the city to plow and that a red tag on your vehicle is a warning that your auto will be towed if not moved.
- Another meeting regarding the Land Use Plan will be held by the Muni Planning & Zoning Commission on January 30, 2017 to discuss public comments received, this will be the final review of comments. Meeting to be held at the Loussac Library and a table of the comments and responses can be found on the Muni website.
- The public is invited to join the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness, the Muni, and area social service agencies to reach out to homeless camps and help determine the number of people and resources needed to help address our homelessness situation. A meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2017 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, we're invited to contact Nancy Burke, 343-7119 or [burkeni@muni.org](mailto:burkeni@muni.org) for more details.

**B. Treasurer's Report – Cathleen Hahn**

The Council has \$3,437 plus a small amount of interest in the savings account. Remember that while there are no formal dues for being a member of the SACC, a \$5 annual donation per family or household towards savings is encouraged.

### **C. Assemblyman Flynn's Report – Patrick Flynn**

- Patrick reminded us that he's retiring from the Assembly this year.
- Muni Property Tax Assessment cards are in the mail and the levy amount will be determined by the Assembly in April.
- There will be five bonds on the April ballot for: schools, roads, parks & recreation, public safety and public transit.
- Patrick is working to create an ordinance and policy addressing the use of drones in Anchorage.
- The Assembly will address a proposal by Bill Evans, Assemblyman, to institute a 4% sales tax in Anchorage, exemptions for food, medicine and a transaction cap are included in the proposal as explained by Patrick.

### **Council Business**

#### **A. Old Business**

##### **1. SA Neighborhood Plan– Hans Thompson**

Five focus groups have been formed to collect comments and assist with further development of the SACC Neighborhood Plan:

- a. Neighborhood Character
- b. Public Safety
- c. Traffic
- d. New Housing & Density
- e. Parks Trails & Open Spaces

Send your thoughts, comments, questions to [southadditionplan@gmail.com](mailto:southadditionplan@gmail.com)

Volunteer to participate! Help draft the Plan that will help guide SACC development for years to come – get involved, contact Hans today!

Hans asked for our comments regarding railroad upgrades near Ship Creek (2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and Christiansen). He also encouraged us to forward our thoughts and comments about recent residential building projects.

##### **2. Traffic Calming in SA**

Tim Myland, Assistant Traffic Engineer, MOA was not available, Jeff reminded us there is a traffic calming device located on 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue between O and P Streets.

#### **B. Old business**

##### **1. Resolution thanking Senator Ellis**

Since 1993 Senator Ellis proudly served as an Alaskan State Senator, chairing and co-chairing numerous committees, working tirelessly on community causes such as Alaska Public Health, Advocate for Alaska's Children Aware, Anchorage Association for Education of Young Children, STAR, Campaign for Developmental Disabilities, Alaska Community Service Commission and many more. Wanting to acknowledge our

appreciation, the SACC adopted and passed with no objection a resolution thanking the Senator for his years of dedication.

**2. UAA Student Nurses project**

Three student nurses from UAA presented their senior capstone project which is a community by community health assessment of Anchorage. They passed out a survey asking what SACC members would like to see with respect to health concerns in our area. They'll take the responses back to the UAA Nursing Board where the results will be compiled and used to identify the top five health concerns of Anchorage residents.

**Open community comments:**

Several members spoke to the construction occurring in South Addition and their thoughts of the projects.

**Next meeting of the Executive Board (open to the public) – February 2, 2017, 7 pm, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Pioneer Home**

**Next General Meeting – February 16, 2017, 7 pm, Inlet View Elementary School Library**

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 pm**