

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY COUNCIL
General Membership Meeting Draft Minutes
June 8, 2017

FAIRVIEW RECREATION CENTER

In attendance: S J Klein, Josh Sy, Allen Kemplen, Merri Lynn Weatherson, James Thornton, Tammi Miller, Christopher Constant, Regina Manteufel, Steffi Lee, Jim Thornton, Leigh Ann Belloli, Radhika Krishna, Sharon Chamard, Sarah Lanneks, Lisa Caldeira, Linda Murphy, Denise Knapp, Colleen Ackerman, Chris Crawford, Mariah Crawford, Wesley Artz, Brooke Blessing, Ron Alleva, Heidi Heinrich, Tom Begich
Thanks to Josh Sy for taking notes.

7:05PM Quorum Established

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

Senator Begich is in Anchorage this week. Technical sessions are being held by the legislature, but he is not going to charge the State per-diem to attend. The legislature is working toward a resolution of the budget. He expects a decent operating budget. Will continue to advocate for an income tax and against an oil reimbursement. Please write to your representatives if there is an issue you care about. Issues pending: Uber: Senate failed to allow local option for ride sharing services. Knik Arm Bridge is dead. Kemplen asked about broad based revenue. Begich responded that he is advocating for an income tax or head tax. They are dead in the Senate. Manteufel: Will marijuana tax be dedicated to services? Begich: that is against the constitution, but can be designated by appropriation, for example marijuana taxes justified funding deferred maintenance in the schools.

Assemblyman Constant: "Cold weather shelter" ordinance added additional 100 beds of crisis shelter in the neighborhood. midtown had 59000 calls for emergency service, downtown had 55000 calls, but half as many people live downtown. Policies have set up a system of apartheid. hopes that we can establish a working relationship with RuRAL cap and that they deliver. Twice as many problems, half as many people working on our behalf (unequal representation in assembly). Finally implemented the wayfinding in trail systems. Posted mileposts in the green belt in the 911 system. Proposed to cap the marijuana businesses in downtown. CIP - some of the items on the list are already completed. August is when the processes are going to be moving forward. Weatherson asked if there are plans for other services in other locations. Constant - Muni HHS is moving from 15th and I to Corner of Elmore and Tudor, move the bus service, put in two hundred units of housing, a supercenter, hub of the social services, and a reconstructed development housing for seniors. Kemplen - it'd be great if we could hear presentations on progress on AMATS. Constant - there has not been a meeting. Kemplen - Form based code is all about the public realm (parks, alleys, greenbelts...)--i would strongly encourage you to say " let's have some accountability". We cannot move forward as long as our public realm is being polluted with these services. Constant - I would be careful in how we talk about the situation. Manteufel - asked to post updates on the FVCC website. Constant - will do that. Things have been busy the first few months. Alleva... Contant - somebody was stabbed today at 3rd and Karluk. Constant - it's not their fault. It is the aggregation of many years of a broken system at its core.

AGENDA - Chamard move, Manteufel second. Accepted as presented
MINUTES - no changes. Accepted without amendment.

STANDING REPORTS:

President's Report - absent.
Treasurer's Report. Presented by Chamard. Total - \$2322.
Secretary's Report - none.
(Alaska Budz and Carrs submit written refusal reports available for review.)

PRESENTATIONS.

Gary Ferguson, CEO, had presentation about RuRAL cap, Alaska's only Community Action Program, established during the war on poverty. Manteufel - weatherization program: Part of the deal with Karluk Manor was that you were going to help with the weatherization stuff. Ferguson - we can provide to the staff at Karluk Manor; weatherization, energy efficiency, which depends on state funding. Ken - happy to share with the community council. We can ask residents, but they are not required to do that. Kemplen - thanked Ferguson for coming and presenting. As a statewide organization, you are faced with significant issues in rural alaska. One of those issues are challenges affected by climate change. Climate change is significant, it is increasing. Anchorage is the largest village in Alaska. I encourage you and your organization that something here is happening that is significant in our state. There will be migration to Anchorage. How can we work with Fairview to make it a positive impact in the migration?. Would love to be great partners with RuRAL cap. Ferguson - a lot of folks from rural Alaska don't want to be here (anchorage). They want to live where they are. We want to help them. Alleva - when you say you are going to help this community, i don't believe you. You have a lot of healing to do before I would believe you. Constant - this neighborhood has had a really intense relationship with rural cap. There is history. THis neighborhood has been a little supportive, unlike what you said in your presentation (that the neighborhood has been really supportive). Constant - Suggested RurAL CAP provide training to those who arrive from the bush on how to be safe, how to engage, how to find resources before getting stuck in the cycle of homelessness in Anchorage.

Secret Garden Cannabis: Klein stated that this meeting would serve as the public outreach hearing for Secret Garden Cannabis as required by state statute, that Secret Garden had notified residents and property owners within 500' of the property, and that notice had also gone out through the council. James Thorton - applying for state license for marijuana business. Shared their Neighborhood Responsibility Plan for Secret Garden. Reliable line of communication between our business and the community is critical. Klein - square footage? retail and grow? Thorton - applying for licenses to sell and grow and we will be doing a manufacturing section. Jim Thorton - 25000 sq ft. Will be using 12000 sq ft in the beginning. Manteufel - important to have edibles that do not feed cancer. Concerned about edible line--wants edibles geared towards cancer patients. Constant - did they meet with the executive board? Did you see the security details? Klein - yes; no. Thorton - recording 24 hours a day and data kept on files and stored on an outside location. They require us to identify faces. Lanneks? Whether you are going to have a human or camera, it makes a difference. Kemplen - asked them to pay attention to the exterior facade, especially facing the street. Jim Thorton - committed to making the building an attractive, positive part of the community. Wife is a landscape architect. Aesthetics is something we have considered strongly. Kemplen - use the results from our visual preference survey. Thorton - as a business owner, one of goals is to foster respect and responsibility with the community. Jim T - early on in the process. We need muni approval, council approval... Hoping by end of the year to be close where we want to be. But we want to do it right, even if it takes longer. Constant - Retail is the only one that requires NRP.

Klein - we developed an ad hoc marijuana committee, board has delegated to this committee and council has ability to reject the decision afterwards.

Brooke Blessing - MOA, Engineering department - Fairview Bike Plan
3rd ave to 16th ave - we put longer lasting methyl acrylate paint on this corridor. Changes to keep right-turning cars out of the bike lane and force them in the car lane. Storm drain system. Chamard - bikes in the winter, how to navigate that?
Blessing - Bike lane will be snowed in for a while. It's frustrating, it's a process. It's not my department. Kemplen - for future projects, encourage to think about vertical, visual elements. We are getting an increase frequency in winter riding. Need a design that is multi seasonal, acknowledge that we have 6 months of winter. Blessing - acknowledges that it is a struggle and need a year-round working design.
Blessing - we will have the first Anchorage bike boulevard from Medfra to P st. Low speed, 10-20 mph, dedicated to bicyclists, but cars can still be on that road. We will be doing traffic homing along 10th ave. Denali and 10th ave, we will be putting a diverter, no landscaping. Car can't cut through on 10th ave, but bicyclists can. Bikes are the priority on the bike boulevard. There will be no lighted intersections.

Motion to extend meeting by 20 minutes. Kemplen moves, Constant second. No opposition.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution 2017-06 -- Snow Fighter's Proposal - Kemplen

Kemplen - Worked with UAA School of Engineering to design a snow melt cistern. No funding for the actual construction of the cistern, but we want to move forward.

Snowfighter Initiative, snow blower loaner program.

Move to approve the resolution, Kemplen move, Chamard second.

Klein thinks it's a phenomenal concept. Weatherson: Any logistics? Kemplen - specific individuals would have it for the entire winter, and in the spring, Muni will pick it back up. This is a pilot--let's try it out. Alleva 22 snowblower from ASD and Muni - for sell \$3-5000 apiece. Weatherson: is this to blow snow, or move snow? Kemplen - goal is to move snow out of sidewalk.

No opposition, **passed unanimously.**

Urban Design

Kemplen - design committee meets at Black Cup. design Committee has visual preference surveys. We have a domain name, www.designfairview.org. Not yet populated, working on template and design. Hopes people will make it to August meeting. Meeting is next Sunday.

Block Party

Klein - postponed until next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Code Enforcement

Kemplen - council would come up list of top site priorities to approach with code enforcement officer. We set up a template, a tracking board.

Chamard - suggest that people would nominate, send an email and send photos.

Kemplen - photos are important. We need photos.

Klein - send to eboard@faiviewcommunity.org

Motion to adjourn, Kemplen move, Heinrich second. Adjourn 8:47