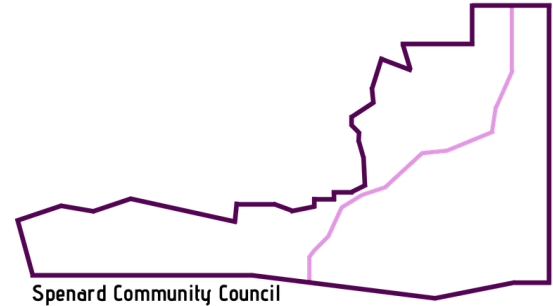


Spenard Community Council

Spenard Recreation Center
2020 W 48th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99517
Wednesday, December 4, 2019 @ 6:30pm-8:30pm
(First Wednesday of each month)



Minutes

| Time | Topic |
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| 6:30 pm | 1. Networking - meet and greet/coffee and cookies. Thanks Jay and Tom for the treats! |
| 7:04 pm | 2. Welcome/Call to Order - Jay Stange <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Jay shared that SCC Executive Board elections are in February of 2020 and all positions are open. View the bylaws with position descriptions at, communitycouncils.org/servlet/viewfolder?id=8287.● Approval of Consent Agenda (Minutes from previous meeting, Agenda for current meeting)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Changes to tonight's agenda:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Austin Quinn-Davidson is out sick; Judy Jessen will report out.■ Jedediah Smith is out sick too.■ Stephanie Rhoades is out sick. Resolution for consideration will be moved to January 2020 meeting: "Urging the Municipality of Anchorage to Assure Adequate Emergency Shelter for Illegal Camp Abatement, Effective Prevention and Enforcement of Public Nuisance and Criminal Laws for Illegal Camp Abatement and Public Accountability"○ Motion: Tom M. moved to approve, Lila seconded. Consent Agenda approved.● Introduce Executive Committee and Guests● Neighborhood & Community Announcements<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ John B from Alaska Park: Covenant House luggage drive at 5000 Spenard hosting/accepting donations of lightly used luggage.○ Phil Isley: Merry Christmas!○ Bob Auth: There have been some improvements on Fish Creek Trail, with two camp clean-ups, graffiti cleaned-up and trash pick-up in underpass. Thanks to Assemblymember Austin Q-D for the quick action!○ Peggy Auth:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Shout out to Mike Fisher, Parks & Rec, for removing trailer on Fish Creek.■ Spenard Cannabis Committee:<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Committee is open for participation and will consider and update SCC's process working with cannabis licenses and licensees.● Next meeting: Tuesday, Dec 17th on 2nd Floor of Spenard Rec Center @ 6:30-8:30pm. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Irene Persson-Gamble: Someone stole an Eiffel Tower replica from her home. ○ Tahnee S: Dena’ina Center on Monday, Dec. 30th “Make it Monday” luncheon for Anchorage Chamber of Commerce hosting the Governor’s State Budget Report. RSVP here. ○ Jay Stange: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lois Drive and 32nd Ave had first public meeting (Nov 13). ■ ASD School Board voted to support Aquarian Charter School bond as part of the bond package. Anchorage Assembly meeting on Dec. 17th will vote on overall bonds. |
| 7:15 pm | <p>3. Brief reports (5 mins - including questions)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anchorage School Board report - Andy Holleman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Board is working on Strategic Planning process to move beyond 2020. ○ B2019 ASD School Bond package details at: www.asdk12.org/bonds ○ Board decided to move forward with earthquake repair and renewals for Eagle River schools at about \$40 million. ○ Board added Aquarian Charter School to the bond, including a new roof and repairs that make sense to do at the same time, like to fix water damaged siding, walls, etc. ○ Discussion: There was discussion about earthquake damage, fault lines, and building codes in Eagle River. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ To contact Andy: holleman_andy@asdk12.org ■ To email all Board Members: schoolboard@asdk12.org ● Airport report - John Johansen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lake Hood is freezing over. ○ New concessions: Denali Pretzels near Ravn. ○ Commission for Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies CALEA: Dec 10th public hearing at 5pm at the Field and Equipment Maintenance Complex (5740 DeHavilland Ave) at notice.alaska.gov/195987 ○ The Cell Phone waiting area is located before Postmark Dr. ○ Terminal music performances are scheduled throughout Dec. ○ REAL ID: goes into effect on Oct 1, 2020. There will be an opportunity to get this at the airport. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ There was much discussion about REAL ID, including why it is enacted and necessary. Info can be found online: doa.alaska.gov/dmv. ● Assembly report - Judy Jessen, legislative assistant and constituent outreach to Austin Quinn-Davidson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget update: Assembly approved 2020 budget in November. Details to be posted: www.muni.org/departments/assembly/Pages/default.aspx. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Discussions included fire department, ML&P proceeds, homelessness, and alternative options for Academy and Vanguard Road project. Over half of the budget supports emergency services. ■ Amendment was approved to add a new 36th Ave bus route! ■ Amendment was approved to increase in shelter beds for emergency needs, possibly in Midtown. ■ Amendment was approved to create a competitive grant process to prevent Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) in schools. Administered by the Anchorage Health Department. ○ Studded Tire Season change: There is a change to the season for 2020, which will start Oct 1, 2020, and save the muni money. News article here. ○ Discussion: There was discussion about parking meters not working downtown and the EasyPark app. The 2-hour limits on Saturdays are still in effect. |
| 7:52 pm | <p>4. Special Topic: Top Shelf Herbs (901 Photo Drive) - Rebecca Rein, Mark Fazio, Chism Leimbach at 864-363-7238, or via email at chismleimbach@yahoo.com</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Application for Marijuana Establishment License for Top Shelf Herbs: two copies were provided to SCC. ● This was an opportunity to present the business idea to the SCC and introduce the owners, who moved to Palmer and Chugiak from Nome. They are interested in doing business and paying taxes to support the community. ● Tahnee Seccareccia issued a formal complaint against this permit due to a past felony charge for one of the owners. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The charge may have been thrown out. ○ Because cannabis is still a federally controlled substance, there are special exceptions for felony convictions against licensees. ● George Ascot: Asked about building tenants, which was previously the Alaska Architects of Alaska, and will still have an accounting and law office upstairs. ● Tom McGrath: Discussed the timeline before the Assembly, around February. There are neighboring stores for vaping and oriental massage. ● Jay Stange: introduced the request to have a Neighborhood Responsibility Plan (Memorandum of Agreement) with the SCC. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action: Jay will work with the Spenard Cannabis Committee to follow-up. |
| 8:03 pm | <p>5. Special Topic: Spenard Beach Park - Jay Stange</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SCC/TCC were awarded a \$10,000 Anchorage Park Foundation Challenge Grant. SCC has committed \$2,000; and Turnagain CC has committed \$2,000; and we will fundraise \$6,000, including through volunteer time. ● The Phase 1 improvements will total \$20,000. The Spenard Beach Park work group provided a map with current proposals for: benches, picnic tables (wheelchair accessible), dog waste station, and new bike rack. ● Next committee meeting: December 11th at Sara Haley's home (TCC member). ● Merle: There was discussion on land ownership. This is a property arrangement with |

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| | the Anchorage Airport and the Anchorage Park Foundation. |
| 8:07 pm | 7. Special Topic: \$50 Gas Card giveaway - Winner was |
| 8:09 pm | 8. Adjourn - Irene Perssons-Gamble <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Next Meeting: First or Second Wednesday in January, 2020, to be determined: Jan 8. Unanimous vote! ● Motion: Jay S. moved to approve. All adjourned. |

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