

#### **South Addition Community Council**

# DRAFT Minutes December 17, 2020 Meeting via Zoom

#### I. Called to Order at 7:01 PM

Executive Committee Members Present: Moira Gallagher, President, Hans Thompson, Vice President, Cathleen Hahn, Treasurer, Ruth Ann Jennings, Secretary, Jeff Manfull, Past President & FCC Representative, John Thurber, Member-at-Large, Lori Davey, Member-at-Large, Cecelia Donelson, Member-at-large

Others Present: See attached attendance sheet.

- A. Approval of Agenda: A proposal to change the order of the agenda so to move the presentation by Fran Durner on Zoom meetings. A motion was made and second to approve as amended: motion passed unanimously.
- B. Fran Durner presented recommendations on conducting Zoom meetings. She stated that recordings of the Zoom meetings will be added to the FCC web page.
- C. Minutes of November 19, 2020: a motion was made and second to approve the minutes as amended; motion passed unanimously. The amendment corrects the misspelling of Assembly Chris Constant's name.

#### II. Reports

- A. President's Report: Moira Gallagher encouraged the holiday / winter lighting of residence and stressed the benefits to the community. Ms. Gallagher reported that the FCC is currently having issues with its communication vendor, Constant Contact. FCC reported has informed us that announcements and emails have not been getting through to the recipients. If you are not receiving emails from FCC, such as notification of SACC meetings, then contact the FCC directly or email Ms. Gallagher.
- B. VP's Report: Hans Thompson Mr. Thompson reported on Inlet Tower's installation of new lights and providing its video to APD. He stated that we still waiting for the next update. He expressed his concerns that political signs were defaced on 11th & L Street. Further discussion ensued. And offered to help find a solution to repair. He noted that on Jan 26, 2021 Inlet Tower is holding a blood drive.
- C. Treasurer's Report: Cathleen Hahn reported that the savings account balance as of September 30, 2020 is \$1,804.40. Bank statements are received quarterly. Ms. Hahn



stated that she will look into an electronic solution for accepting volunteer membership fees.

- D. Police Department: Officer Chris Vierra addressed the Council. He provided the November statistics on SA's calls, including areas of highest number of calls and nature of calls. A discussion regarding the shooting which occurred in the Inlet Tower parking lot at the end of 2020 ensued. Senator Begich provided an update of the actions he and Rep. Fields have taken. Officer Vierra will follow-up and report back to the Council. Both Officer Vierra and Assemblymen Constant provided a summary of the new Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) that is now active and working along with APD.
- E. Fire Department Reports: No reports.
- F. Assembly Report: Assemblyman Constant reported on the newly passed budget, and the purchase of the Golden Lion hotel (using CARES Act funds) which is to be converted to a drug treatment center. On a personal note, Assemblyman Constant stated he had no personal or professional financial interest in the property nor does his employer benefit from the purchase. The Assembly is moving ahead with the purchase of Bean's Cafe building that will be used for day services, providing a safe and warm environment during the day. The purchase is not funded by the CARE Act money, but with proceeds from the sale of ML&P to CEA. Assemblyman Constant reported on the upcoming April 15th mayoral and school board elections. January 15 is the open date to file to run and January 29 is the closing date. The current COVID-19 restrictions. He stated that former ML&P customers should see an approximately 5% reduction in their January electric bill.
- G. Mayor's Office: No report.
- H. State Legislature: Senator Begich gave an update re the status of the plan to vaccinated for COVID-19. He reported that Alaska has been "fast tracked" and 50,000 vaccines are on the way which is more than needed for first responders and nursing homes. He estimated that AK could be 60% vaccinated by the end of March. He mentioned his work with Senator Elvi Gray-Jackson re law enforcement, setting targets for alternative energy, in which the Governor has expressed interest, and the budget battles over the PFD, UAA cuts, health care, education and the need to be ready to use the pandemic federal money. He stated that the election was conducted in Alaska with the utmost integrity. He passed that Rep. Fields is reaching out to the city re the need to control speeding on L street.
- I. School Board: No report.



J. FCC Report: Jeff Manfull reported the December was canceled and the next meeting will be held in January. FCC meetings are held regularly on the \_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday of each month.

#### III. Council Business

#### A. Old business:

a. SANP Update - President Gallagher gave the update. She apologized for the technical issues through the month that impacted posting notices on FCC. The next step is to form a comment to review and respond to each comment and incorporate the comments submitted from the community and the Planning Department. If you would like to serve on the committee or submit comments to the committee, please email to <a href="mailto:southadditionplan@gmail.com">southadditionplan@gmail.com</a>. All SA residents are welcome. Currently, the hope is to meet the first Thursday in January, February and March and send a draft to the Planning Department in early spring. She reiterated that we are working with a draft.

President Gallagher referred residents to the FAQ she posted on the FCC website to answer many of the questions send to the Executive Committee, including questions on neighborhood overlays, the budget, and expenditures to date. She reviewed the need and benefits to the neighborhood to have a plan such the impact on local and state transportation plans, zoning and Title 21, and the awareness of the Municipal Assembly of what is wanted or needed by the community.

President Gallagher stated that the Zoom meeting held in the fall of 2020 to discuss the current draft was set for two hours but due to lack of participation, lasted one hour. The recording of the meeting will be posted on the FCC site. She gave a brief recap of the history of the plan - started in 2016, information gathered, working groups broke up, the executive Committee agreed to pick it up and move it along. A request was made to hold another meeting to review the plan which the Executive Committee agreed to consider. A hearty discussion ensued.

#### Motion

A motion was made and second to extend the SACC meeting to 9:30 PM; the motion passed.

B. New business:

### IV. Open Community Comments

No comments were made.



# V. Next Executive meeting

January 14, 2021 at 7:00 to 8:00 PM. A link to the Zoom meeting will posted on the FCC's web page.

# VI. Next Regular meeting

January 28, 2021 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. A link to the Zoom meeting will be posted on the FCC's web page.

# VII. Adjournment

A motion was made and passed unanimously to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at  $9:23\,$  PM.