Campbell Park Community Council

MINUTES

Thursday, February 17, 2022 | 7:00 pm

I.Call to Order by Chair Anna Hutchinson at 7:02 pm

II.Approval of Agenda: resident Jean Sauget moved, Kevin Fimon seconded. No objections, Agenda approved.

III.Approval of meeting minutes: resident Jean Sauget moved, Jordan Harary Vice chair seconded, Minutes approved.

IV.Guest Speakers:

- A. Renee Whitesell, from Dowl, transportation planner and project manager. Update on 36th Ave.

 Interchange. Dowl is working with the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities on the 36th

 Avenue Interchange project. Next public hearing tentatively scheduled for March 14th. Information is available on the municipality's cityview portal. Also available on Dowl website. The plan is to elevate the Seward Highway above 36th ave. www.36thinterchange.com
- B. ASD Administrator on school bond: Chief Operating Officer, Tom Ross, estimated cost of two-year school board bond: \$111,000,090. This bond will cover school replacement of Inlet View Elementary, and two schools getting major building upgrades: Davis East Anchorage High School (install fire suppression system) and Lake Otis Elementary school (replacing the roof), among others. https://www.asdk12.org/bonds roth_thomas@asdk12.org
- C. Brief self-introductions of new CPCC Board Members:
 - i. Chair Anna Hutchinson, lives in Alpine Apt. Buildings off highway. She is a political fundraiser.
 - ii. Vice Chair Jordan Harary, lives off Tudor and Lake Otis, IT administrator.
 - iii. Secretary Andrew Gray, lives on Grumman, physician assistant at Alaska VA
 - iv. Treasurer and FCC Rep Kevin Fimon, lives near Tudor Elementary School, former CPCC chair for 9 years
- D. Rep. Ivy Spohnholz came to introduce herself because of redistricting board; she will now have part of Campbell Park in her house district. Been in State House for 6 years now. Very involved in state fiscal policy and healthcare policy.

V. Reports

A. Assembly:

Felix Rivera: discussed reapportionment process and upcoming public hearings, Feb 24 and March 1. "Most people just care about where they live. And are they going to be represented by the same people? Or are they going to move into a new district that they don't really know, have no relationship or going to be represented by entirely new people? That's the typical response. So as an example, airport heights cares a lot about the redistricting process, because they are on the borders of a few different districts. And so any of the maps could split them into three different districts. And so they care a lot about this process. Campbell Park you're pretty squarely in the middle of our district. So you're going to stay in Midtown. So should you care so much on a sort of individual council level? Maybe not, but sort of from a broader perspective, you know, if you care about keeping contiguous maps, keeping sort of the one person one vote, you know, all of the constitutional principles. Sure, that's, that's things that you should care about." Homelessness: Encouraged us to read report: Facilitated Process Implementation Update: https://www.muni.org/Departments/Assembly/Documents/Webpage%20-

https://www.muni.org/Departments/Assembly/Documents/Webpage%20-%20Committee%20on%20Housing%20and%20Homelessness/Implementation%20Update%20013122 %20FINAL.pdf

i. Meg Zaletel: Passed changes to Title 21 and Title 23 – land use code and building code. "I postponed an item to come back with an S version around accessory dwelling units; there's a proposed tax exemption for those. I want an opportunity to take a closer look, respond to some community concerns and then also try to balance the interest of getting a tax exemption for an accessory dwelling unit with the idea that they currently can be used as vacation homes. And so you know, the idea is to expand additional housing, so I want to be able to balance those interests."

B. Legislature:

Sen. Elvi Gray-Jackson: Discussion of ranked choice voting, governor's state of the state
 address, Senate Bill 7 which requires Dept of Public Safety to publish certain policies on their

website. "Happy Black History Month, everybody. I just want to take a moment to reflect on this month-long celebration of Black History. And I was really honored to see the passage of Senate Bill 40, that established the month of February each year as Black History month. This month honors and recognize the many contributions that African Americans have made in Alaska and the United States."

- ii. Rep. Andy Josephson: Hearing on firing of Angela Rodell from permanent fund corporation, splitting of Dept. of Health; turnover rate of attorneys for the state, and fiscal issues; bill regarding same-sex couples should not face discrimination in credit, employment, or housing; campaign contribution limits. "I have a bill that is on the Senate side that I really want to have law. It's a defined benefit bill, which would say just for first responders -- there about 3000 or 4000 of them -- that they would be able to get a pension. And here we mean the pension like our parents used to have; the reason we need this is we train them and they leave, because they can't afford to retire on 30% replacement of their income. So you think of \$100,000 year Trooper, he or she is nervous about earning \$30,000 from retirement, where my bill might get them close to \$50,000. And they would stick around; very simplified version."
- C. Mayor's Office no one present
- D. School Board (Carl Jacobs): "The local teacher union and the school district reached tentative agreements, they are actually voting on the TA, as it's called, tonight, and we should have more information soon if that was ratified. If that does occur, and the vote of the membership approves the agreement, the board plans to vote on that agreement and approve that at our meeting on Tuesday, the 22nd. That should resolve all contracts that are outstanding at this point." ASD School Board Update:

Signup for ASD Connect Newsletter: https://conta.cc/3INR62A

Superintendent Search Timeline: https://bit.ly/3KGjViV

Spring Lottery for 2022-2023 School Year: https://bit.ly/3nULM5i

ASD Hot Topics Page: https://www.asdk12.org/hottopics

ASD Covid-19 Testing Sites: https://www.asdk12.org/Page/18301

Updated Home Screening Guidelines: https://www.asdk12.org/Page/18672

2022 School Bond Info: https://www.asdk12.org/Page/18705

AEA/ASD Tentative Agreement: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LEr4-

z1L1Fm 0xRXpd3a9b5cJM7fKZGb/view2023-2026 School Calendar Project:

https://www.asdk12.org/Page/18874?fbclid=IwAR1YHQf0tvVCaTxIlojnpExsU8Zwa9zhQ_k57jQ-

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- E. FCC (Kevin Fimon): "A lot of last night's meeting was a discussion about the maps and the redistricting in the municipality. So that's been fairly well covered. And we did get to hear from Mr. Roth last night, as well as I think it's Dora Wilson was the representative last night for the school district that talked about the bonds and what's happening there." Possible Zoom training. Ballot Tracks. And Parks Challenge Grants.
- F. Housing and Homelessness Committee (Michael Burke): "There's not a whole lot. I posted in the chat room a number of written responses from the administration to some questions that were posed to them specifically about the shelter process and what's happening right now. I've sent repeated requests."
- G. CPCC Chair (Anna Hutchinson): "I want to emphasize what Kevin brought up about the ballot tracking website, I put the link in the chat, that's a great feature to just be able to know if your ballot is on the way to you if it's made it back to election center after you voted. And then I did also want to emphasize, you know, hopefully everyone here is registered to vote with your most up to date address. But the deadline to register or make any adjustments is I believe, March 6, 30 days out from the municipal election day of April 5."

VI. New Business

- A. Capital Project Priorities submission (secretary): Andrew reported that he submitted all CPCC priorities to Rep. Josephson's office through CAPSIS with help of Rep. Josephson's assistant Elise Sorum-Birk
- B. Brainstorm for Parks Challenge Grant. Committee formed to work on memorial for Marcie Trent long-time resident of Campbell Park who was famous marathon runner. Committee: Lindsey Durrell, Andrew Gray, Michael Burke, and Anna Hutchinson.

VII. Next Meeting: March 17th, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

VIII.Adjournment: motion to adjourn Kevin Fimon, seconded by Andrew Gray. No dissent Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.