## **Campbell Park Community Council**

#### **MINUTES**

### Thursday, August 18, 2022 | 7:00 pm Via Zoom

- I. Call to order; quorum met. 15 members at 7:01 pm; by Chair Anna Hutchinson arrived late.
- II. Approval of Agenda: 7:02 pm amended to change next meeting to 9/15/22; moved by Kevin Fimon, seconded by Pat Dooley. Approved by unanimous consent.
- III. Approval of meeting minutes: 7:03 pm; moved Meg Zaletel, seconded by Kevin Fimon. Approved with no opposition.

# IV. Guest Speakesr:

- A. Jason Grenn, Executive Director Alaskans For Better Elections. Information regarding rank choice voting disseminated. How to choose your ballot: First choice is the vote that is considered first; second choice is not required but who you would like considered next that is different from your first choice; third choice is not required but who you considered after your first two choices that is different from the first two choices. One vote per candidate. What not to do: rank all the candidates as your 1<sup>st</sup> choice or rank one candidate as every choice. This helps ensure that winners are elected with the support of a true majority of voters. The Alaskans for Better Elections website has additional resources and information regarding Rank Choice Voting.
- B. People are commenting that it was easier than what they expected and gives voters more choice.

### V. Reports

- A. Assembly (Meg Zaletel): Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) has several projects that affect our neighborhood and will come back for approval in August 25th: safety concerns along the Tudor corridor study, pedestrian/bike bridge over Lake Otis (e 47thish), AMATs non-motorized safety campaign (a way to prioritize safety about non-motorized trails and lanes); If Academy vanguard is deleted then a study of the A & C corridor can occur; ARPA awards have a midtown plan in the funding - some funding has been vetoed but expecting an override of that veto. ARPA funding link provided in the chat that shows forward thinking and immediate action. Fuel increases/overages ie 3m have been voiced as a concern in which can be helped from vehicle rental dollars ie 9m over what was projected or PFD garnishments will be increased from last year. Repairs to Sullivan Arena can be done with a facility bond and one time funding if there is not enough funding from vehicle rental dollars/PFD garnishments. Sullivan has needs in deferred maintenance and operations ie HVAC. Overall picture of revenues is good for the municipality. The EEO office position is not filled therefore no employees have an avenue to complain. The rules committee is having a deliberate conversation regarding hiring and vetting of nominees brought forward by an administration. Assembly does not have the means to independently verify information. Meg will bring forward a resolution so that library employees can access outside HR/3<sup>rd</sup> party entities to be able to voice concerns/complaints without backlash.
  - i. Since Joe Gerace is no longer in AHD the policy work continues ie navigation center needs more funding for construction, but project is currently on track.
  - ii. Is there any funding for deffered maintenance but is not built into capital projects that does not keep up with cost of inflation and . What buildings have deferred maintenance, do we need to put those aside as dedicated funding to strategically plan how to address those issues.
  - iii. Sullivan repairs is a high priority for the administration
  - iv. The ARPA dollars have few parameters so members we looking at immediate responses for economic recovery, quality of life to maintain/retain and attract individuals to Anchorage, and some immediate COVID responses.
- B. Legislature (Rep. Andy Josephson; Note: Sen. Gray-Jackson takes summer off) Returned to Anchorage 5/22. Now has new staff Alexander Schroader and Annalisa Roberts. Alexander is doing a deep dive on

competency to stand trial. The question is how long someone can be held with mental health issues, do we have the resources/providers. Annalisa is working on what statue is applicable for HOA's 6 or 10. If people do not pay their HOA dues and/or give HOA access is there a way to remove the owners. Three bills were made into law ie protect the higher education investment fund so funding will not be taken again; in bi-partisan effort with Senator Holland expanded law breast cancer for fire fighters with toxic exposure can be covered now will be 25<sup>th</sup> in the country with expanded workers compensation benefits; purple heart bill.

- i. Investigation is ongoing regarding the termination of A Ridel. Investigation should be completed by late October.
- C. Mayor's Office not present
- D. School Board (Margo Bellamy- Board President): Starting focusing on the bus issue at the end of July. The district provides 30 and contract out with Reliant. Restoring routes daily. ASD is vetting 50 applicants. Tourist season now ends 9/17; therefore, some drivers will return to school. ASD is applogetic but really did not see this issue coming and knows that it is impactful to families.
- E. FCC (Kevin Fimon): New president Gretchen Stoddard from Huffman O'Malley. Linda Chase from Rogers Park remains vice chair. Bruce Roberts from Abbott Loop remains the Secretary, and yours truly remains treasurer." FCC annual picnic on July 20 at Valley of the Moon Park last month and introduced new officers while being able to see candidates from around the MOA.
- F. Housing and Homelessness Committee (Michael Burke/Pat Dooley) Michael Burke not present, but is able to be reached via email. Pat Dooley gave report that the Assembly is working towards a solution which is now the ACEH Taskforce as a result of the Administration not producing a plan. If anyone has interest in working on the taskforce please contact him. Michael Burke has stated that St. Mary's may be available for a meeting space.
- G. JBER Chair Anna received an email for a rapid job tomorrow morning.
- H. CPCC Chair (Anna Hutchinson) No report. Pleased that people voted in this week and look forward to voting again in November.
  - i. A member was removed due to his combative behavior/language in the chat as the meeting should be community building.

# VI. New Business:

- A. Resolution regarding Navigation Center and Emergency Shelter to be located at Elmore and Tudor.
  - i. Combined Resolution with Baxter & UAA to try to get the Administration to listen to the community council and cannot "require" the administration to do anything.
  - ii. Wording suggestion: "Whereas the Municipality has decided to construct a homeless shelter within our community council's jurisdiction, we request assembly members and a member of the mayor's team to attend our monthly meetings to listen to our concerns and provide updates on progress and after construction is complete to provide regular reports about issues that may affect us."
  - iii. Express the concerns so that it does not get political. While ensuring that the tone is to be an invitation to be in partnership with the administration. The FCC can put this issue on the agenda at that meeting to give it more weight.
  - iv. Also give them more choices to engage.
  - v. Vice Chair will send an email to FCC Mark Butler to put this item on the agenda to be able to reach the administration in a more effective way.
- B. Winter Social Gathering
  - i. Instead of a December meeting possible and will be on the agenda for next month.
- C. Meeting in person
  - i. Vote on meeting in person in October and/or hybrid meeting; to be put on the agenda next month.
- VII. Next Meeting: September 15th, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Zoom
- VIII. Adjournment at 8:59pm Moved by Kevin Fimon and seconded by Andrew Gray.