

Campbell Park Community Council
Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The Campbell Park Community Council (CPCC) meeting was called to order at 7:43 p.m. on Thursday, January 16, 2014 by Council President, Kevin Fimon, at Tudor Elementary School.

PRESENT

A total of 19 were present including Assembly Members Dick Traini and Elvi Gray-Jackson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kevin Fimon moved to approve the meeting minutes from the December 19, 2013 community council meeting. The motion was seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION

PRESIDENT REPORT

Mr. Fimon met with Mark Butler, of the Federation of Community Councils (FCC), and discussed funds allotted to Campbell Park Community Council (CPCC). CPCC was awarded a five thousand dollar grant, minus a 2% fee for the addition of lights in the tunnel underneath Lake Otis and Waldron. Mr. Fimon will ensure all funds awarded are used as accordingly.

March 1st Community Council Officer Training on how to run a meeting, BP Energy Center, 8:00 a.m.
Training by: Municipal Ombudsman's Office, The Foraker Group, NeighborWorks Anchorage,
The Anchorage Parks Foundation, FCC, and community volunteers.

ASSEMBLY REPORT – DICK TRAINI

- DEA building update
- Juneau in February and April

ASSEMBLY REPORT – ELVI GRAY-JACKSON

- At the January 14 meeting, the Assembly approved the Title 28, Elections Code rewrite after several amendments based on input from the public. A copy can be found on line at www.muni.org.
- The public hearing on Mr. Birch's ordinance to limit the powers of the Ethics Board in relation to the Assembly was held on January 14 and will be continued to the meeting of February 11 to give the Ethics Board an opportunity to review the ordinance and comment. Mr. Birch also introduced an ordinance – at the end of the January 14 meeting - to move the election date from April to November with an effective year to be determined. Public hearing will be held on February 11. He is calling his ordinance "The Election Day Act of 2014." A copy can be found on line at www.muni.org.
- Assemblymembers Gray-Jackson, Traini, and Steele introduced an ordinance to require a vote of the people in order to change the election date. The Public hearing was held on January 14 and the ordinance was postponed indefinitely due to clear lack of support.
- Rules Committee met and determined which recommendations from the Citizens' Task Force on Public Hearings could be codified and which would be implemented through policy. The Assembly's attorney has drafted a Code change was introduced at the January 14 meeting and public hearing will be held on January 28. The Rules Committee will meet with the Task Force to review the proposed ordinance changes on Thursday, January 23 from 12 noon – 1:00 p.m. in the Assembly Conference Room – City Hall.
- Mr. Traini, Gray-Jackson, and Honeman introduced an ordinance to prohibit acceptance of lobbyist fundraising when the lobbyists are registered for municipal work and the candidates are Municipal elected officials or employees. Public Hearing will be held January 28 after 6:00 p.m.
- Ms. Demboski introduced an ordinance to allow for disclosure and appropriate adjustment of travel reimbursement for municipal employees and elected officials engaging in candidate fundraising while on paid travel status for the Municipality.
- Several bond proposition ordinances were introduced at the January 14 meeting as follows. The Public Hearing will be held on January 28 after 6:00 p.m.

- Public Safety Facilities and Police Service Area Capital Improvements - \$650,000
- Anchorage Fire Service Area Capital Improvements - \$1,950,000
- Park and Trail Improvements - \$2,550,000
- Areawide Facility Improvements - \$5,550,000
- Safety and Public Transportation - \$1,793,000
- Roads, Storm Drainage, and Related Capital Improvements - \$20,200,000
- Roads, Storm Drainage, and Related Capital Improvements - \$23,200,000

Next Meeting – January 28

LEGISLATIVE REPORT - ANDY JOSEPHSON

Not present

LEGISLATIVE REPORT – SENATOR BERTA GARDNER

Not present

NEW BUSINESS

Kathleen Plunkett, a member of the Anchorage School Board on Budget and Audits, reported on the 2014-15 school year reductions to close the 23 million budget gap. The deficit is mostly due to healthcare costs, teacher salaries, from an inflation adjusted amount, hasn't increased much over the last 30 years. The 2013 budget was short and the ASD took seven million from the fund balance to apply towards it. ASD also reduced the administrative budget, however no reductions were made to the teachers' budgets. This year, there's a reduction of 23 million, and next year there will be a reduction of 26 million. Teacher positions will be reduced by 200, including counselors, as well as 200 administration positions. ASD is considering going from six periods a day to seven. One public comment included contacting your Assembly Members and Legislative Representatives on this issue. Mr. Traini stated Alaska State Law changed two years ago, which now caps how much the city can give the school districts.

Budget Process:

- The State of Alaska sets the flat funding amount
- ASD School Board approves the budget, and has two public hearings (January/February)
- Anchorage Assembly reviews and approves the budget, and has one public hearing (March)
- State of Alaska reviews and approves the budget (April)

School Funding:

- 65 % State of Alaska
- 30% local taxes
- 5% Federal Bureau of Investigation and other

Lark Street – Various community members are watching the Lark Street project and the building around the corner, thought to be connected to the project, since it's being renovated. Southcentral contacted a community member and stated there'll be tenants in the building. According to the director of the SCF Wellness Warriors, they will be building the auditorium over by the Alaska Native Medical Center.

A community member stated she would like to see information, whether on the homeowners property tax bill, or utility bill, stating their community council, where they meet, and at what time. Berta Gardner has recently added this program to her web page.

CIP – The Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) process, for council and other funding requests, will start in April and due July or August. Mr. Traini will give Mr. Fimon copy of the Juneau CIP list.

CPCC Summer Meetings – CPCC will meet this summer, dates to be determined

OLD BUSINESS

DEA – The DEA would like the lot/building owners, Pacific Tudor 2011, to re-plat their lot to allow approximately six DEA vehicles access in/out onto Shelikof Street. The DEA would also like to change items 7 on the plat, to state they can use it, but if the building or lot is sold or if the use changes, the plat reverts back to the original plat.

The Municipality purchased the Waldron Park property, from the Boys and Girls Club for four million dollars to preserve the land, so a private developer doesn't develop it. The Boys and Girls Club said they would maintain the property for zero cost to the city. The entrance, used by the Boys and Girls Club, is currently part of Pacific Tudor 2011 property.

In 2001, CPCC unanimously voted to oppose a plat note change, but agreed to allow emergency vehicles and maintenance vehicles.

Mr. Fimon moved to allow Tim and Steve to write a resolution, to address the history of CPCC and submit to the MOA Planning and Zoning committee. "The motion is as follows that the Community Council oppose the zoning ordinance change contemplated by the property owners, that the council authorizes the council president to sign on behalf of the council a written statement in opposition outlining the facts that will be submitted to the MOA Planning and Zoning." The motion was seconded and the motion carried by majority vote. **Mr. Traini abstained from the vote.**

MOTION

With the agreement of the second motion, Tim made a movement to split the motion into two parts. The first motion is the community council go on record opposing the change as contemplated to the zoning ordinance, or the plat note, or the anything else that allows any sort of vehicular access, from the DEA property, other than what's currently there for emergency vehicles onto Shelikof Street. Tim moved that we oppose that, with the consent of his seconded motion. The motion was moved. The question was called, the motion passed by majority vote. **Mr. Traini abstained from the vote.**

MOTION

The second part of the motion, that the community council authorize the president, with the assistance of a couple of community members, to site the historical factual basis of why the plat note was put there originally and the agreement that was made by the original developers. We authorize the president to sign the letter and submit on CPCC behalf. The question was called, the motion passed by majority vote. **Mr. Traini abstained from the vote.**

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m.