

South Addition Community Council: Membership Meeting Minutes for January 19, 2006

Call to Order: Pres. Kathy Weeks called the meeting and adjusted the order of business.

Legislative Report: Aides to Rep. Gara and Sen. French reported on the session and note that on February 25th the Anchorage Caucus will hold a town hall-style meeting.

Approval of Minutes from November and December Membership Meetings: The December minutes were unanimously approved. We amended the November minutes on a motion by Dale Nelson, 2nd by Doug Johnson, as follows: Replace the sentence about Dale Nelson's motion for SACC to send a letter to Assemblyman Tesche. The amendment clarifies that Nelson moved that SACC send a letter providing the information that SACC members had collected about cyclotrons, raising concerns about the operation of commercial cyclotrons in residential areas; asking Tesche to coordinate/exchange info between the gov. departments; and asking him if placement of a cyclotron at 318/326 West 10th Ave. is legal or appropriate for safety or other reasons.

President's Report: The Title 21 re-write has entered a new stage. SACC's comments on the latest draft are due March 3rd. The Title 21 Committee will begin meeting every Wednesdays at 5 PM.

Treasurer's Report: Doug reports that the balance is \$1142.15.

Assembly Report: Allan Tesche noted that the assembly agenda will be very heavy for the next several meetings. Code changes related to assisted living facilities, barring cyclotrons in residential areas, and dealing with large animals are in play. Items related to potential ballot measures or initiatives include: two sales tax proposals, potential charter amendment to broaden vehicle code enforcement authority, school bonds, park bonds, and a proposal to again revisit the question of the percent of votes needed to be mayor. A proposed relaxation of sign ordinance restrictions is likely to come up in late February. The area-wide park plan is also being evaluated. Tesche also reported on the eminent domain ordinance passed by the Assembly that prevents the use of eminent domain for any sort of leisure amenities. Six similar bills are before the state legislature.

FCC Report: Be aware of upcoming workshops on both Title 21 and pedestrian issues.

Old and New Business:

1. SACC needs help with its new website. Please volunteer; Ed Leach at the FCC can teach volunteers; he can be contacted at 277-1977.
2. ML&P made a follow-up presentation on plans for Frontier Park (10th & 11th Avenues at E Street) relating to the Substation 6 upgrade. Lanie Fleischer will head a subcommittee to meet with ML&P to discuss better coordination with other projects and otherwise improve the plans.
3. Anchorage Parks Foundation's Beth Nordlund announced the Delaney Park Public Workshop scheduled for March 14 and 15. The first day begins at 4pm, with people meeting at Pete's City Gym, followed by a site walk of different areas of the park. The rest of the program will be at Denali School, starting at 6pm each night. SACC asked that Jeff Dillon attend its next meeting to provide more specifics about the process thus far and SACC's role in it. Nordlund also announced the availability of Rasmussen foundation challenge grants for parks improvement projects; applications must be submitted by March 1.
4. The owner of Platinum Jaxx earned SACC's unanimous support (13-0-0) for the license transfer coming before the Assembly January 31st. (Motion by Dale Nelson, 2nd by Elaine Nelson).
5. The members voted unanimously (13-0-0) to discuss proposed by-law changes at the February membership meeting with a vote to be taken in March. The text of the various options for changes will be distributed in advance of the February meeting. (Motion by Fran Durner, 2nd by Dagmar Phillips).