

# **AGENDA**

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Thursday, March 25, 2021 6:30-8:30 PM LOCATION: Zoom:

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Please do not use the chat for private conversations or to ask questions. The chat should be used only to add relevant information (links, contact information etc.)

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Prior to speaking each speaker should state their name, address (street and cross street is ok) if a member, or guest if a guest.

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#### Call to order:

This meeting is open to the public and will be recorded therefore, there is no expectation of privacy.

- Round of Introductions
- Changes or additions to agenda
- Approval of minutes
- Approval of treasurer's report

#### APD Officer if available

Possible report and Q & A

## Legislative Reports: Q & A http://akleg.gov/

Senator: Josh Revak

Representative: Calvin Schrage

Representative Laddie Shaw

## Assembly & School Board: Q & A www.muni.org/departments/assembly

- Assembly member Felix Rivera
- Assembly member Meg Zaletel
- Assembly member Suzanne LaFrance
- Assembly member John Weddleton
- School Board member:

## Candidates for April 2021 Elections:

## Reports

- FCC Representative Bruce Roberts
- Roads & Projects Committee: Emily Sullivan CIP update
- Parks & Rec Committee: Mark Miner
- Planning & Zoning Committee (munimaps.muni.org/planning/allcomments.cfm): Vicki Gerken
- Cannabis & Alcohol Committee: Dustin Sherman Long Branch Saloon renewal; Alaska Greenworks, LLC
- Membership & Events: Lizzie Newell
- Abbott Loop Community Patrol: Dan Rudder, Lead
- By-Laws Committee: Kari Nore

#### **Old Business**

- Resolution: Any and all political violence from any party or group be denounced emphatically. (See below)
- Proposed changes to Title 21 concerning shelters in B-3 zoning districts.

#### **New Business**

 A Resolution Opposing Amendments To Amc 21.050.040 by Russell Briggs (Resolution is at the end of the documents)

#### Announcements:

Next Meeting Thursday, April 29, 2021

## Adjourn:

### Resources:

- Abbott Loop Community Council: http://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/2.html
- Abbott Loop Community Forum: https://www.facebook.com/abbottloopcc/?fref=ts
- Whisper Faith Kovach Playground & Fenced Dog Park: https://www.facebook.com/groups/720624007969641/
- Abbott Loop South Next Door: https://abbottloopsouth.nextdoor.com/news\_feed/
- Abbott Loop North Next Door: https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/abbottloopnorthak--anchorage--ak/
- Information about the Academy Dr.-Vanguard Dr. Project <a href="http://www.academyandvanguard.com/">http://www.academyandvanguard.com/</a>
- Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan:
  <a href="http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/default.aspx</a>
- State of Alaska DOT Seward Highway project can be found here: http://www.sewardhighway.info/
- APD safety message emails or text alerts: <a href="https://local.nixle.com/register/">https://local.nixle.com/register/</a> or send a text to 888777
- Assembly 101 playlist for those wanting to learn all about Assembly procedures, how to participate, etc. https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLylc7U989Xcav5eQC9FmjAEofZD576ecb

The Abbott Loop Community Council generally meets on the last Thursday of the month from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at Abbott Loop Elementary except in May (date change due to school closure), June (Summer Picnic), July (sometimes picnic), November and December (combined meeting.) If you have agenda items, please send your requests to both: Bruce Roberts brucearoberts@hotmail.com 907-952-9969 & Patti Higgins patti49er@gmail.com 907-360-2561

**Dena'inaq ełnen'aq' gheshtnu ch'q'u yeshdu. (Dena'ina)** I live and work on Dena'ina land. (English) ~ Translation by Joel Isaak and Sondra Shaginoff-Stuart

OFFICERS		DIRECTORS			
PRESIDENT	Bruce Roberts	Pat O'Hara	Lizzie Newell	Kristi Futrel	
VICE-PRESIDENT	Susan Soule	Vicki Gerken	Yolanda Meza		
SECRETARY	Patti Higgins	Kari Nore	Mark Miner		
TREASURER	Heather Schrage	Marilyn Russel	Dustin Sherman		

## **STANDING COMMITTEES**

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

PARKS & REC	Roads & Projects	P & Z	Cannabis & Alcohol	Membership & Events	Community Patrol	By-Laws Committee
Mark Miner Chair	Emily Sullivan Chair	Vicki Gerken* Chair	Dustin Sherman Chair	Lizzie Newell Chair	Dan Rudder Lead	Kari Nore Chair
Shiela Cernich	Dan Boland	Akis Gialopsis		Kari Nore	Patti Higgins	Susan Soule
Patti Higgins	Mike Moeglein	Dan Boland		Shiela Cernich	Pat Higgins	Patti Higgins
Susan Soule	Bruce Roberts	Dustin Sherman		Patti Higgins	Vicki Gerken	Dustin Sherman
		*2040 subcommittee			Philip Parks	

# RESOLUTION

2021-01

SUBJECT: Any and all political violence from any party or group be denounced emphatically.

PRESENTED BY: Dustin Sherman

**AUTHORS: Dustin Sherman** 

- Whereas the Abbott Loop Community Council and all of its residents wherein denounce any and all forms of political violence;
- Whereas community councils were established in the municipality in order to provide a form of robust debate about issues to the community, neighbors and individuals who participate and have dialog germane to the area in which they reside;
- Whereas in a democracy the system is predicated on robust conversation with the understanding we may not always agree; policies are best hammered out through sometimes difficult dialog and policies settled through the civil process;
- Whereas we have 245 years of history the broad majority of which the citizens have figured out how to disagree and maintain civility;
- Whereas that of late, the conversation has become tense and difficult, at time characterized by violent rhetoric and actions:
- Whereas during 2020 while many places saw disagreements break in to civil unrest and violence, so far in Alaska we have continued to find ways to disagree without resorting to violence, but instead have used the civil means available to us, such as peaceful protests in public settings, appealing to our representative government to redress our grievance, turning to the courts when those grievances aren't heard; all the means are recognized in our constitution, and that have evolved over the centuries of the American experiment in self-governance;
- Whereas that despite all of the positive elements present in or community there exists in darker places, threats of violence that are becoming more present in the light;
- Whereas that we have a responsibility to ourselves and to each other to build towards a better community;
- Whereas groups such as Antifa, Proud Boys, KKK, The Sharps, Oathkeepers and the NFAC and individuals who subscribe to the idea of ACAB (All Cops Are Bastards) have all contributed to the violent rhetoric that we have seen over the last 4 or 5 years and have no place in a civilized democracy; and
- Whereas the Abbott Loop community council strongly denounces any and all political violence and violent rhetoric; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Abbott Loop Community Council:

- 1. denounces any and all political and violent rhetoric that endangers our republic and sovereignty;
- 2. supports ongoing and robust civic engagement and denounces violent political rhetoric or action and calls on Anchorage residents to continue maintaining civility in the process;

Mover: Dustin Sherman, ALCC Board Member
Seconder:
Passed this day, February 25, 2021.

3. asks the Anchorage Assembly to pass this Resolution as well.

Bruce Roberts, President Abbott Loop Community Council

Renters who are struggling to pay their bills and have been financially impacted by COVID-19 may be eligible for up to 12 months of rent and utility assistance. Applications opened today and close on March 5. We're trying to get the word out because there is a lot of funding for this program, and we want to make sure everyone who needs the help can get it. Applications are online at https://www.alaskahousingrelief.org/. Folks can also call (833) 440-0420 for additional assistance (for example if they need translation services, or don't have access to a computer). I've attached a flyer and a couple of digital graphics.

Would you be willing to help spread the word? Social media, newsletters, direct outreach etc. are all appreciated. Let me know if you have any questions, or if there are any materials/info that you would find helpful. Additional FAQs can be found here.< https://www.alaskahousingrelief.org/renters/rent-relief-faqs>

Thank you for all the work you do!

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**RESOLUTION** 2021-03-01

SUBJECT: OPPOSING AMENDMENTS TO AMC 21.050.040

PRESENTED BY: Russell Biggs

**AUTHOR: Russell Biggs** 

Whereas the proposed amendments to 21.050.040 that will allow conditional use permitting for transient shelters in business zoned districts is a major change to Title 21 regulation;

Whereas transient shelters are the most restricted land use facility in the municipality;

Whereas many of the current business zoned district in the Anchorage Municipality are within close proximity to residential neighborhoods;

Whereas, the Municipality has historically not enforced the mitigation plan required in conditional use permitting regarding shelter use;

Whereas the current zoning laws provide for placement of these facilities within well over 100 acres of pre-existing PLI zoned properties within the Municipality where support services are already located;

Whereas the historical disruption of these facilities have resulted in tens of thousands of dollars of judgement against the Municipality due to disruption of the orderly functioning of the surrounding businesses; and

Whereas the proposed amendment's notification requirements does not provide an adequate public engagement to the affected neighborhoods; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved* that the Abbott Loop community council urge the Anchorage Assembly to reject the proposed the text amendments to AMC 21.050.040.