

## **AGENDA**

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Thursday, October 28, 2021, 6:30-8:30 PM

**LOCATION: Zoom** 

Zoom:

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- A member of the Abbott Loop Community Council by adding the initials ALCC after your name. A member is anyone who resides in or has a business in the ALCC district.
- A guest by adding the word Guest or your affiliation after your name.

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

#### Call to order

- Round of Introductions
- · Changes or additions to agenda
- Approval of minutes: Kathleen Easley
- Approval of treasurer's report: Heather Schrage

#### APD Officer if available

Report and Q & A

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

- Senator: Josh Revak: Newsletter attached to Agenda
- Representative: Calvin Schrage: Full report attached to this Agenda
- 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: Andy Holleman
- JBER Community Engagement Rep, Luke Waack:

### **Reports**

FCC Representative Bruce Roberts

Roads & Projects Committee: Emily Sullivan

o CIP update

Parks & Rec Committee: Mark Miner:

#### Planning & Zoning Committee (munimaps.muni.org/planning/allcomments.cfm): No Chair

- Review and Recommendation by Planning and Zoning Commission of an Omnibus Ordinance of the Anchorage Assembly amending Anchorage Municipal Code Title 21 to align Title 21 with current practices and to provide clarity for the implementation of code and other related matters. Loussac Library Assembly Chambers, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska 11/08/2021; 6:30 pm
- Need for safety barriers at the end of 88th St & Little Brook St.

#### Cannabis & Alcohol Committee: No Chair

 Special Land Use Permit Amendment for Alcohol (Package Store) for Liquor Stores USA North, Inc. dba Brown Jug (Abbott Road location). <a href="http://www.muni.org/CityViewPortal/Planning/Status?planningId=17454">http://www.muni.org/CityViewPortal/Planning/Status?planningId=17454</a>. Scheduled for a public hearing before the Assembly on 12/07/2021

Membership & Events: Lizzie Newell

Abbott Loop Community Patrol: Dan Rudder, Lead; http://www.accpatrols.org/

#### **Old Business**

- DOWL is assisting in the Solid Waste Services Central Transfer Station project. They provided a written update on the project: transfer truck loading tunnel for the central tipping floor facility as well as starting the foundation work for the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and Administration Buildings. This Central Transfer Facility Pre Engineered Metal Building, is nearly complete. The plan is to have the building enclosed by the end of the year.
- Statewide Redistricting Maps: Effect on Abbott Loop Community council https://www.akredistrict.org/

### **New Business**

Holiday gathering

#### **Announcements**

**Next Meetings:** 

Nov/Dec Holiday gathering TBD, 2021 January 27, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Council Monthly Meeting February 24, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Council Monthly Meeting

#### **Adjourn**

#### Resources

- Abbott Loop Community Council: http://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/2.html
- Abbott Loop Community Forum: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/abbottloopcc/?fref=ts">https://www.facebook.com/abbottloopcc/?fref=ts</a>
- 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:

http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/default.aspx

- State of Alaska DOT Seward Highway project can be found here: <a href="http://www.sewardhighway.info/">http://www.sewardhighway.info/</a>
- 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
- Alaska Redistricting- https://www.akredistrict.org/
- 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 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 (Potluck Picnic), November and December (combined meeting). If you have agenda items, please send your requests to both: Bruce Roberts <a href="mailto:brucearoberts@hotmail.com">brucearoberts@hotmail.com</a> 907-952-9969 & Kathleen Easley <a href="mailto:katmandu26@hotmail.com">katmandu26@hotmail.com</a> 907-748-6076.

## Dena'inaq elnen'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

#### ABBOTT LOOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

OFFICERS		DIRECTORS			
PRESIDENT	Bruce Roberts	Pat O'Hara	Lizzie Newell	Dan Rudder	
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TREASURER	Heather Schrage				

#### 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	Vacant Chair	Vacant Chair	Lizzie Newell Chair	Dan Rudder Lead	Kari Nore Chair
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					Phil Parks	

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The fourth special session of 2021, called by Gov. Dunleavy, will end next week. During the special session, little direct progress has been made by the Legislature as a whole on addressing a comprehensive fiscal plan for Alaska, but committees have been meeting regularly and hearing the various proposals put forward by legislators. This committee work will help build a foundation for a comprehensive fiscal plan for the January 2022 regular session.

In the House Ways and Means Committee, we have heard a number of significant plans that would work to address our state's fiscal situation. I have included summaries of the various proposals put forward, below. If you have thoughts on any of these proposals or ideas of your own, you can share them with me at <a href="mailto:Rep.Calvin.Schrage@akleg.gov">Rep.Calvin.Schrage@akleg.gov</a>.

#### **Fiscal Plan Proposals**

Gov. Dunleavy's Plan: constitutionalize a 50/50 split between state services and the PFD based on a 5% annual draw of the fund's value. This year's PFD would be roughly \$2,300 and would leave our state with a \$1.5 billion deficit.

Rep. Wool's Plan: 80/20 split of an annual 5% POMV draw from the Permanent Fund with a 2.5% income tax. This would result in a \$1000 PFD with a \$500 million deficit this year and a \$400+ million surplus by 2023.

Sen. Von Imhoff's Plan: creates a new fund inside the Permanent Fund from a one-time \$6.7 billion transfer. This fund would receive 12.5% of the state's income from oil and gas royalties and the PFD would be paid directly from this fund. This would result in a roughly \$500 dividend and a balanced budget.

Rep. Merrick's Plan: eliminates the traditional PFD formula and instead ties the PFD amount directly to oil and gas royalties, with 30% of royalties going directly to the PFD. This would result in a roughly \$300 dividend and a balanced budget.

Rep. Snyder's Plan: gradually implements a 50/50 split between state services and the PFD based on a 5% annual draw of the fund's value spread over several years. Unlike Gov. Dunleavy's proposal, this plan offers flexibility by allowing additional funding toward state

services in the event of a disaster or if the state were to see a drop in revenue below what it would take to flat fund state services.

Rep. McCarty's Plan: 65/35 split of an annual 5% POMV draw from the Permanent Fund. This plan would also require that 20% of the split that the state receives goes toward the capital budget to fund infrastructure projects and deferred maintenance. This plan would provide a roughly \$1700 PFD for the year and would create a significant deficit unless services are cut.

Rep Tarr's Plan: implements a 2% statewide sales tax that exempts essential purchases, such as groceries, medication, heating fuel, health care and medical equipment, and feminine hygiene products. This plan also includes components from other proposals, including a 50/50 PFD plan, an annual 5% POMV draw limit on the Permanent Fund, increased motor fuel tax, and addressing loopholes in Alaska's corporate tax structure.

Rep. Spohnholz's Spending Cap: This bill would update the current statutory spending limit by tying it to the average state spending over the past three fiscal years, adjusted modestly for changes to population and inflation. It would also exempt spending due to a disaster and funding for school bond debt reimbursement from the calculation.

## Alaska Redistricting Board Public Testimony Opportunities

The Alaska Redistricting Board will be holding an open house public meeting for testimony on the six proposed maps adopted by the board. This meeting will take place Wednesday, October 27th from 5 - 7 pm at the Lake Front, located at 4800 Spenard Road.

The Board will also be hosting a statewide dial-in public hearing on Saturday, October 30 from 10 am - 4 pm. You can call in toll-free at 844-586-9085 or 907-563-9085.

You can view the proposed maps at <u>akredistrict.org/map-gallery/</u> and written testimony can be sent to testimony@akredistrict.org.

#### **COVID-19 Update**

As of Monday, the State of Alaska had the highest per capita COVID-19 case rate in the country at 550 per 100,000 individuals. This statistic is not new as Alaska has had among the highest case rates since the deadly and highly contagious Delta variant hit Alaska. Alaska is currently at four times the national average which is 124.7 per 100,000. Alaska's state epidemiologist Dr. Joe McLaughlin indicated that we have yet to see a downward trend in case rates.

This all makes it even more clear that Alaskans should take basic precautions to help address this pandemic and keep our fellow Alaskans safe by wearing masks when around others, socially distance, and making the decision to receive the COVID-19 vaccine (which has been proven to be safe, effective, and is FDA approved).

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Information and Booster Information**

The COVID-19 vaccine is currently available to anyone age 12 years or older and is free of charge. Booster doses are also available for individuals who received the Moderna, Pfizer, and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines.

If you received a Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, the following groups are eligible for a booster shot 6 months or more after their initial series:

- Those age 65 or older
- Residents and staff in long-term care settings
- Those age 18 or older who have underlying medical conditions including asthma, diabetes, obesity. A list of additional medical conditions that may increase risks associated with COVID-19 can be found at <a href="mailto:cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html">cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html</a>
- Those age 18 years or older and work in high-risk settings including healthcare workers, teachers, grocery store workers

For the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine, booster shots are recommended for those who are 18 and older and who were vaccinated two or more months ago.

Eligible individuals may choose which vaccine they receive as a booster dose. Some people may have a preference for the vaccine type they originally received while others may prefer to get a different booster.

Additional information on the COVID-19 vaccine and booster shots can be found at dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/vaccineinfo.aspx

#### **Annual Flu Vaccine**

Have you gotten your flu vaccine this year? Thanks to the Anchorage Health Department, I was able to get mine. Like the Covid-19 vaccines, the flu vaccine allows us to protect not only ourselves but also our friends, family, and community who may be more vulnerable to the virus. If you're eligible for a Covid-19 booster shot (or for your first shot), you can get that at the same time.

You can schedule an appointment at myhealth.alaska.gov/appointment/en/client/registration?clinic id=4549

### Alaskans must now dial 907 for in-state phone calls

As of Sunday, October 24th, Alaskans will need to dial area code 907 at the start of all in-state calls, whether they're trying to reach someone across town or across the state. The change, which has been in the works for years, will allow the activation of a new quick-dialing shortcut for mental health emergencies and suicide prevention next year. Alaskans will be able to dial 988 to access the statewide mental health crisis hotline after the program becomes active in July.

#### **Community Events**

Looking for a fun family activity? The Anchorage Museum is hosting "Halloween at the Museum" where there will be trick-or-treating in the galleries, fun in the CoLab, a special planetarium program along with music, cookies, and "witches brew" punch. You can find the event schedule below or at <a href="mailto:adn.com/calendar/">adn.com/calendar/?</a> ev id=885045 halloween at the museum

Trick-or-treat in the Galleries (3-6 p.m.)

Make your way between selected galleries for activities and non-food collectibles. Costumes encouraged.

Treat Station (3-6 p.m. in the Atrium)

Costumed visitors can visit the Halloween station at the Muse atrium cafe for a complimentary cookie and cup of punch. Stop by the Anchorage Museum Store at the end for a small bag of sweet treats.

Halloween Toddler Dance Party (3-6 p.m. in the Atrium)

Drop into the atrium and show off your dance moves with Halloween dance hits. Visit the museum table and enter to win prizes.

CoLab-orative Activities (3-5 p.m. in the CoLab) Spark your creativity through interactive activities.

Spooky Storytime in the Dome (3:30-5 p.m. in the Planetarium) Story and shadow puppets for museum learners ages 5 and younger.

### **Constituent Surveys**

Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts on many of the most prominent issues facing the Legislature and the various PFD proposals put forward by the governor and legislators.



Scan this QR code with your phone or visit <a href="mailto:bit.ly/3vv55De">bit.ly/3vv55De</a> to take our June Constituent Survey

Scan this QR code with your phone or visit bit.ly/3zCi0X6 to take our Constituent Survey on the PFD



Warmly, Representative Schrage

PS - I am honored to serve as your Representative. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office anytime.

## Contact Representative Calvin Schrage

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DISTRICT M HUFFMAN, O'MALLEY, ABBOTT LOOP, INDEPENDENCE PARK OCTOBER 2021



## Dear Neighbors,

This has been a particularly challenging and busy year for all of us, but it is always an honor and privilege to serve our community as your Senator.

COVID-19 continued to impact the way we conducted our business in Juneau, but I am proud of how community members and staff adapted quickly to remote meetings and changing guidelines. However, many of our neighbors continue to struggle after businesses were forced to close their doors or limit customer interactions.

My office has assisted many these businesses and constituents affected by the pandemic, and we continue to stand ready to help. Give me a call.

As always, thanks to everyone who has called and written me this year. Your input helps me make better decisions on issues that are important to our community.

Blessings,

Josh Revale

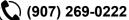
## 2021 Session & Special Sessions

The House was gridlocked for the first 30 days of session and remains ideologically divided, with a very narrow majority governing their daily business. To reach a consensus on the budget and sustainable fiscal solutions, the only way forward is to work together.

After the conclusion of the most recent special session, a \$1,100 dividend was approved that did not require new taxes. While this budget was not what everyone wanted, it was a balanced budget that included the largest dividend we could afford with our available revenues and without going over the state's POMV spending cap. I will continue to be an advocate for compromise and reductions while we work toward a long-term solution to the lean years we are experiencing.

I am committed to working closely with my colleagues to help find compromise that works for our neighborhood and our state. I want to hear your thoughts. Please call or email me:









# **Funding For Our District**

- We secured \$2.3 million in unused grants for road improvement in our neighborhood.
- We re-appropriated \$40,000 from expiring grants to use for Hillside fire abatement.

# My Bills Become Law

- SB 21 Consolidates the oversight and licensing of paramedics under one state agency. Also ensures that active-duty military spouses can get a temporary occupational license in Alaska quickly.
- **SB 40** Ensures that veterans looking for assistance with veterans benefits are informed about the free services offered by VSOs before paying for help.
- **SB 69 -** Reduces duplicative regulatory burdens on small, private-sector renewable energy businesses.
- **SB 22 -** Leverages \$3 million in federal dollars to support Alaskan hunters.



I honored the Women Police of Alaska with a citation for their leadership in our community. I am excited that with the repeal & replacement of SB 91 and the hard work of our law enforcement, Alaska's overall crime rate dropped 18.5% in 2020.



# **Abbott Loop Community Council** October 2021

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## Follow me for updates! @SenJoshRevak

# **Chairing Senate Resources**

This Legislature, I have the honor of serving as Chair of the Senate Resources Committee. We are blessed to be living in a state with an abundance of natural resources that have paid the bills for public safety, education, and the health and well-being of all Alaskans. Not only that, they have served as the backbone of our jobs economy, keeping dollars flowing into other industries throughout Alaska.

This session, we held over 30 hearings on the resource issues most important to Alaskans and made some good progress. I will continue to listen to you and fight for Alaska's interests.



This year's Firewise Event hosted by HALO, Huffman/O'Malley, & Rabbit Creek Community Councils helped educate our community on

how to better protect our neighborhood from wildfires. I encourage you to do a FireWise self-assessment of your home:

Checklist: https://bit.ly/2XFDkwm or



Sign up for my E-Newsletter



Vaccine Locations: Call 646-3322, Text ZIP to 438829, Visit covidvax.alaska.gov *Testing Locations* Visit anchoragecovidtest.org, or go.allclear.app/map