

## **AGENDA**

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING** 

April 28th, 2022, 6:30-8:30 PM

**LOCATION: Zoom** 

\*\*\*NEW ZOOM for 2022\*\*\*

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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 Report**

Report and Q & A- APD Officer

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

- Senator: Josh Revak: Report for April
- Representative: Calvin Schrage: Newsletter and report for April
- 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
- Mayor's Office Report
- JBER Community Engagement-Kathleen Bryant Public Affairs Specialist- email on agenda.

#### **Reports**

#### **FCC Representative Bruce Roberts**

#### Roads & Projects Committee: Emily Sullivan

o CIP update April 14th and 22nd meetings via Zoom to begin CIP list prioritization due by May 31st 2022.

## Parks & Rec Committee: Mark Miner

- Spruce and Winchester Parks
- Meadow Street Park Picnic Shelter- Rebecca Colvin Rilke Schule.
  - Two documents on our website- one is all information, one is a proposed Resolution of Support at ALCC website under <u>Current Year ALCC Documents</u>.

#### Planning & Zoning Committee (munimaps.muni.org/planning/allcomments.cfm): Mary Miner

Andre Spinelli/Craig Bennett- Three lots located off of Abbott Rd, across from Fred Meyer. Request by owner
for support in change to the land use designation from Compact Mixed Residential to Town Center and the
zoning designation of the site from R-5 (Low Density Residential) to B-3 (General Business District), this would
then match the use and zoning designations of property to the south and west of the lots. Documents for
review on the ALCC website under Current Year ALCC documents, Andre Spinelli.

#### Cannabis & Alcohol Committee: Yolanda Meza

Marijuana License Renewals 2022-2023, in the Abbott Loop area, renewal date is 8/31/2022.

- M10828 GLACIER EXTRACTS 8639 Toloff St., Ste. 3 Abbott Loop
- o M10747 GREAT NORTHERN CULTIVATION 2341 Cinnabar Lp. Abbott Loop
- o M11304 HIGHER ALTITUDE MANUFACTURING 2429 E 88th Ave. Abbott Loop
- o M10837 HILLSIDE NATURAL WELLNESS 8639 Toloff St., Ste. 1 Abbott Loop
- o M11303 HOLLYWEED 907 2429 E 88th Ave. Abbott Loop
- o M12808 TUNDRA JANE 2429 E 88th Ave. Abbott Loop

Membership & Events: Lizzie Newell

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

#### **Old Business**

- Update- DOWL is assisting Solid Waste Services with their new Central Transfer Station project and wanted to
  provide a spring update. Through the 2021 season and into 2022, Davis continued to construct the foundations for
  the site in addition to erecting the main Tipping, Administration, and HHW Buildings. Exterior and interior finishes
  are well underway for all of these buildings and Davis anticipates having the remaining structures erected in the
  next few months. Over the course of this summer, Davis will continue to work on the vertical construction in
  addition to completing the site finishes, which will include paving, landscaping, 56th Avenue improvements, and
  the paving of Latouche Street.
- Statewide Redistricting Maps: Updates <a href="https://www.akredistrict.org/">https://www.akredistrict.org/</a>
- Spruce Street Extension Upgrade Project- Morgan McCammon DOWL

#### **New Business**

#### **Announcements/Comments**

#### **Next Meetings:**

- May, 26th, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Council Monthly Meeting
- June 30th, 2022 Abbott Loop Community Park, 8101 Elmore Rd. 4-8pm, Picnic.
- July 28th, 2022 Whisper Faith Kovach Park, 1904 Lore Rd. 6:30-8pm. Informal gathering

#### Comments:

#### **Adjourn**

#### **Resources**

- Abbott Loop Community Council: <a href="http://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/2.html">http://communitycouncils.org/servlet/content/2.html</a>
- 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: <a href="https://abbottloopsouth.nextdoor.com/news-feed/">https://abbottloopsouth.nextdoor.com/news-feed/</a>
- Abbott Loop North Next Door: <a href="https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/abbottloopnorthak--anchorage--ak/">https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/abbottloopnorthak--anchorage--ak/</a>
- Abbott Loop Community Council Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/abbottloopcc">https://www.facebook.com/abbottloopcc</a> or search @abbottloopcc
- Information about the Academy Dr- Vanguard Dr. Project <a href="http://www.academyandvanguard.com/">http://www.academyandvanguard.com/</a>
- Information for the <u>Dowling/Seward Highway project 2022/2023</u>
- State of Alaska DOT Seward Highway project O'Malley to Dimond can be found here: <a href="http://www.sewardhighway.info/">http://www.sewardhighway.info/</a>
- Information for the Seward Highway & 36th Avenue Interchange Project <a href="http://www.36thinterchange.com/">http://www.36thinterchange.com/</a>
- Anchorage Bowl Land Use Plan:

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

- 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- <a href="https://www.akredistrict.org/">https://www.akredistrict.org/</a>
- 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:kathleentesates">kathleentesates kathleentesates</a> 807-748-6076.

#### Dena'inag elnen'ag' gheshtnu ch'g'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	
VICE-PRESIDENT	Susan Soule	Mark Miner	Yolanda Meza	Emily Sullivan	
SECRETARY	Kathleen Easley	Kari Nore	Patti Higgins	Marilyn Russel	
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	Mary Miner Chair	Yolanda Meza Chair	Lizzie Newell Chair	Dan Rudder Lead	Kari Nore Chair
Sheila Cernich	Dan Boland	Akis Gialopsis		Kari Nore	Patti Higgins	Susan Soule
Patti Higgins	Mike Moeglein	Dan Boland		Sheila Cernich	Pat Higgins	Patti Higgins
Susan Soule	Bruce Roberts			Patti Higgins	Thomas Greenman	
					Phil Parks	

## JBER PA Community Engagement April 5, 2022

#### Hello Community Members!

I am reaching out from the JBER Public Affairs Community Engagement office. Our job is to communicate with you and answer, or find the answer, to any questions you have in regards to JBER. The following list contains some information and things going on over the next few months.

- Please remember to use iSportsman if recreating on JBER; register for an account, see if training areas are open for recreation and sign in and out of recreation areas at <a href="https://jber.isportsman.net">https://jber.isportsman.net</a>
- April is the Month of the Military Child. There will be events going on across the base to celebrate children of military members. Find out more information on the JBER Connect app or on our Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/100067554468896/posts/313806417547838/?d=n
- The next unaccompanied veteran committal service will be Wednesday, April 27at 2:30 PM at the National Cemetery; contact Virginia for help getting on base, Virginia.Walker1@va.gov
- Municipality's Memorial Day event "Anchorage Remembers" will be on Monday, May 30 at 9:30 AM at the Veteran's Memorial on I St between 9th and 10th Ave, downtown Anchorage
- ANG Band of the South will perform at the Veterans Wall of Honor in Wasilla on May 30 for Memorial Day; more info about the Band of the South at <a href="https://www.music.af.mil/Bands/ANG-Band-of-the-South/About-Us/">https://www.music.af.mil/Bands/ANG-Band-of-the-South/About-Us/</a>
- Arctic Thunder Open House is back this year, July 30-31! Find updates at <a href="https://www.arcticthunderopenhouse.com/2021/12/30/2022-is-coming/">https://www.arcticthunderopenhouse.com/2021/12/30/2022-is-coming/</a> or on Facebook at <a href="https://facebook.com/events/s/arctic-thunder-open-house-2022/868294350700826/">https://facebook.com/events/s/arctic-thunder-open-house-2022/868294350700826/</a>
- JBER has released our Economic Impact Assessment for FY21! See the attached PDF for a breakdown on JBER's impact on Alaska

JBER is returning to normal operations following our reduction to Health Protection Condition Alpha due to the lower transmission rate in the local area. We are actively seeking community partnerships right now and will be revamping our tour program in the months to come. I will keep you updated on any changes we make. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions you have!

Thank you,

V/R

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

With just weeks left until the constitutional 121-day limit for this year's legislative session comes to a close, I want to give you a brief update on where we are in the legislature, the progress of our bills, and important issues impacting our community.

As always, it is an honor to serve our community and I am here if you have questions, need assistance with an issue you may be facing, or to share your thoughts, ideas, or concerns. You can reach me by email at <a href="mailto:Rep.Calvin.Schrage@akleg">Rep.Calvin.Schrage@akleg</a>, on my personal cell 907-240-8986, or our office 907-465-4931.

## The House Passes the Operating Budget

The Alaska State House passed the operating budget on a vote of 25-14. Although the budget is not perfect, it upholds the promises I made to our community when I ran for office and provides assistance for Anchorage residents and Alaskans. This budget protects the services that Alaskans and our community depend on while investing in our K-12 education system, public safety, health care, and providing relief to Alaskans with an Energy Relief Check and PFD totaling \$2,550.

## A few highlights include:

- Fully funds the state's obligation for School Bond Debt Reimbursement, as well as the amount due from last year, which should provide relief to Anchorage tax payers.
- Forward funds K-12 education for the next two fiscal years along with an increase to funding.
- Funds the WWAMI program for the next two fiscal years, helping our state to bring in health care professionals to Alaska.

- Includes funds for two years of funding for Pre-K education to help prepare our students for K-12 education and long-term success.
- Rebuilds the Higher Education Scholarship Fund to help Alaskan students attend the University of Alaska.
- Provides a bonus for public health nurses who played a critical role throughout the COVID-19 pandemic to keep our schools and communities safe.
- Funds Community Assistance by adding \$31 million to fully capitalize the fund at \$90 million, helping local governments deliver the services Alaskans need and expect while likely providing relief for community taxpayers.
- Funds \$2.4 million for bonuses to the Office of Public Advocacy & Public Defenders.

## **Legislative Update**

## **HB 227 Muni Energy Improvement Assessment Program:**

Our bill to build on the highly successful Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) program that provides fixed-rate, long-term financing for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects passed the House overwhelmingly on a vote of 31-4! HB 227 has already passed out of the Senate Community and Regional Affairs Committee and is currently in Senate Labor and Commerce.

## **HB 234 Political Contribution Limits:**

HB 234, our bill to reinstate fair, reasonable, and constitutional political contribution limits in Alaska elections, has been working its way through the Alaska State Senate and currently is in the Senate State Affairs Committee. So far, we have had two hearings and taken public testimony on the bill. We are optimistic that HB 234 will move out of committee soon so that it may be voted on before the session adjourns.

If you would like to submit testimony in support of HB 234, please email <u>SenateStateAffairs@akleg.gov</u>. I ask those testifying on any legislation to do so in a thoughtful and respectful manner (a good rule of thumb is would you send this to your grandparents?)

#### **HB 246 Marijuana Conviction Records**

The Alaska State House overwhelmingly passed HB 246 to remove minor marijuanarelated crimes that took place prior to 2014 from Court View records. After Alaskans voted to legalize marijuana in 2014, these same charges would be legal today. Despite that, such low-level marijuana crimes can add serious barriers to employment and housing. HB 246 also reclassified minor-marijuana crimes for adults 18 to 20 from a misdemeanor to a violation.

## **HB 265 Health Care Services by Telehealth**

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Alaskans across our state have turned to telehealth as a convenient, accessible, and cost-effective alternative to in-patient doctor visits. Up until this point, Alaskans had been faced with regulatory barriers to accessing telehealth visits which have been temporarily relaxed in response to COVID-19. HB 265 would remove burdensome regulations to expand access to telehealth and expand Alaska Medicaid to cover telehealth services.

## **HB 411 Municipal Tax Exemptions and Deferrals**

Our bill to allow municipalities to provide economic incentives, tax exemptions or deferrals within a service area to promote economic growth has passed out of committee and will be scheduled for a floor vote soon. HB 411 is all about removing state level red tape to empower our local governments with greater control over their economic development efforts.

## **Election for U.S. Congress**

With the passing of Don Young, Alaska is in the process of a special election to fill Alaska's only congressional seat which will remain vacant until a new congressional candidate is elected. A special primary election has been scheduled for June 11 which will take place mostly by mail, with ballots sent automatically to all registered voters. Ballots are expected to be mailed to registered Alaskan voters this week and the state will pay for postage on these ballots. For the special primary election, Alaskan voters may only vote for one candidate. The top four vote-getters will then advance to an Aug. 16 special general election, in which ranked-choice voting will be used.

Elections officials are encouraging voters to check their listed address online at <a href="mailto:myvoterinformation.alaska.gov">myvoterinformation.alaska.gov</a>. If the address is incorrect, update it at <a href="mailto:voterregistration.alaska.gov">voterregistration.alaska.gov</a>. Users will need an Alaska driver's license or other state ID.

## **Anchorage School Board Selects New Superintendent**

The Anchorage School Board has selected Dr. Jharrett Bryantt to serve as the new superintendent. He will begin July 1st 2022 and additional information on Dr. Bryantt can be found at: <a href="mailto:asdk12.org/Page/18949">asdk12.org/Page/18949</a>

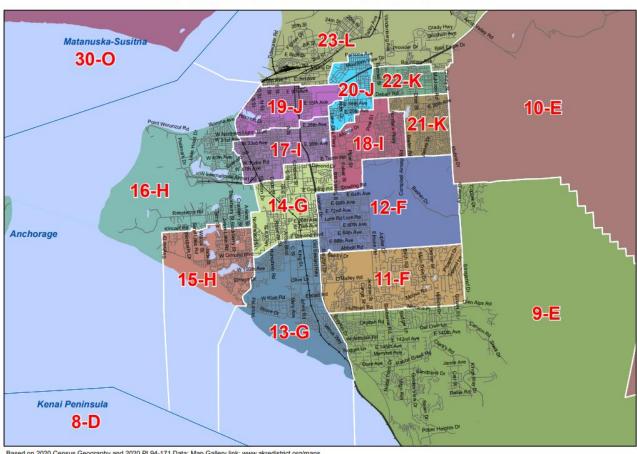
## **Redistricting Update**

In mid-April, the Alaska Redistricting Board adopted a new map for Anchorage senate pairings (Option 3B) on a vote of 3-2. Although there are some notable changes, for our Lower Hillside - Abbott Loop community (District 12), we remain paired with District 11 to create Senate Seat F. This is the same pairing as we were in the first adopted map.

The major changes in the new pairings, and point of contention among board and community members, revolved around how to pair the two Eagle River house districts. One proposal would have paired both Eagle River districts together, as they have been since 2013. The second proposal, which was adopted, pairs one of the Eagle River districts with South Anchorage and Girdwood; and the other Eagle River district with JBER, and portions of Mt. View and Downtown Anchorage. The initial map adopted in 2021 was thrown out due to "partisan gerrymandering" for splitting Eagle River into two Senate districts to give them more power in the legislature at the expense of other communities. The new map has already spurred characterizations of partisan and "blatant gerrymandering" and is being challenged in court by a group of Girdwood citizens and the East Anchorage residents who challenged the first pairings. The Supreme Court will either approve the new senate map, order the Redistricting Board to redraw the map again, or draw the map themselves.



# April 2022 Board Proclamation Anchorage Redistricting Plan Adopted by the Alaska Redistricting Board 04/13/2022



Based on 2020 Census Geography and 2020 PL94-171 Data; Map Gallery link: www.akredistrict.org/maps

## **Earth Day**

On Earth Day, the Alaska Youth for Environmental Action, with Juneau students, held a rally in front of the State Capitol in support of <u>HB 227</u> and calling on policymakers to act on climate change. HB 227 is a step in the right direction to address climate change but is only a part of the important work happening in the Legislature and communities across our state. It was such an honor and humbling experience to join these amazing youth and I know that together, we can and will build a clean energy future that creates good-paying jobs, strengthens our economy, and protects our communities.



# **Municipality of Anchorage Proposed Navigation Center Listening Sessions**

Anchorage Mayor Bronson's administration has held a series of community listening sessions concerning the proposed navigation center near the old Anchorage Police Department station at Elmore and Lake Otis. This is a part of the plan brought forward by the administration to address homelessness in the municipality.

The administration will be holding a listening session at the Loussac Library April 28th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. If you are unable to attend, you can watch the recording on the Mayor's YouTube page: <a href="mailto:youtube.com/channel/UCrKUKt1jyy646om0Fm4Mmog">youtube.com/channel/UCrKUKt1jyy646om0Fm4Mmog</a>

If you missed the April 13th listening session, you can watch it here: <a href="mailto:youtube.com/watch?v=wqxZrhvb2ak&fbclid=lwAR1Xm1U76pGCYFAXS1QSb4fm-apENeuia3DdO16LT1jsPdA9Xe6fdGEbanY">youtube.com/watch?v=wqxZrhvb2ak&fbclid=lwAR1Xm1U76pGCYFAXS1QSb4fm-apENeuia3DdO16LT1jsPdA9Xe6fdGEbanY</a>

## **Summer of Heroes Scholarship**

Do you know an outstanding youth? Someone who does good in the community or really stepped up to help others? Nominate them to be a community hero to win a \$1,500 scholarship through the Summer of Heroes program.

Learn more at <a href="http://bit.ly/1ILo8uE">http://bit.ly/1ILo8uE</a>

Below are some additional resources for staying up-to-date and engaged:

Watch Committee Meetings – Most committee hearings are broadcast on Gavel

Alaska at 360north.org or through the Live Now tab on the AK Legislature's home page.

House and Senate floor sessions are also available on Gavel Alaska at ktoo.org/gavel.

**Access Budget Materials** – The Office of Management and Budget website has many helpful tools and presentations relating to the state budget. You can find these resources, and more, at <a href="mailto:omb.alaska.gov">omb.alaska.gov</a>.

**Keep Track of Bills** – Interested in tracking bills through the legislative process? You can follow along on BASIS: <a href="mailto:akleg.gov/basis/Home/BillsandLaws">akleg.gov/basis/Home/BillsandLaws</a>. Just type in a bill number in the search bar (ex: HB 234) at the top of the page. You can also text a bill number (ex: HB 234) to 559-245-2529 to enroll in text alerts.

**Use Your Legislative Information Office (LIO)** – LIOs are a great local resource for navigating the legislative process. The staff at the LIO can help you research bills and issues, navigate the state computer system, and participate in hearings by providing public testimony. You can chat with LIO staff Monday-Friday between 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM through their new chat interface, located in the lower right corner of <u>akleg.gov</u>.

**Contact the Anchorage LIO** – You can reach the LIO by phone (907-269-0111) or email: <u>LIO.Anchorage@akleg.gov</u>.

Warmly, Representative Schrage

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

# Contact Representative Calvin Schrage

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