

Turnagain Community Council Meeting Notices, Announcements & Project Updates

Compiled by TCC Member Cathy Gleason — compiled as of May 7, 2015

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MAY 2015 NOTICES:

- **May 2-9 — Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Citywide Cleanup Week.** The mission of this event is to remove unwanted trash from around the city's streets, parks, and neighborhoods after the winter snow melts. During the week, Anchorage businesses, schools, and families take to the streets to return our city to its natural beauty, truly making this a citywide event.
Info: <http://citywidecleanup.org>, 272-2401
- **May 7 — Turnagain Community Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Turnagain Elementary School Library, 3500 W. Northern Lights Blvd.**
Info: TCC President Danielle Bailey, daniellebmt@gmail.com, 406-270-4770
- **May 9-16 — Anchorage Waterways Council 31st Annual Creek Cleanup.** The event will be a week-long cleanup of creeks, lakes, lagoons and marshes. Check anchoragecreeks.org/pages/creekcleanup_locations.php for updates and location maps. On Saturday, May 16th, 9:00-11:00 a.m., AWC will also have three locations located throughout Anchorage for those who want to clean that day. Sign up as individuals, a small group, or large team at anchoragecreeks.org/pages/creekcleanup_teamsignup.php. The Celebration, which typically occurs after the event, will be held later in the fall this year.
- **May 11 — Lake Hood User Group Meeting, 11:00 a.m., Alaska Aviation Museum, 4721 Aircraft Dr.** Agenda items include summer operations, A-B Tiedown Ramps Rehabilitation, Lake Hood Master Plan Update, and FAA Runway Safety Action Team presentation and discussion.
Info: Lake Hood Manager Tim Coons, 266-2741, tim.coons@alaska.gov.
- **May 12 — Assembly Consideration of an Amendment to an Existing Conditional Use for Beverage Dispensary Tourism Duplicate License (AR No. 2014-163) for Host International, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Chambers, Loussac Library, 3600 Denali St.** This is considered a minor amendment, relating to the Norton Sound Seafood House to add floor area and seating at Anchorage International Airport South Terminal.
- **May 13 — Airport Lake Hood Seaplane Base Master Plan Update Advisory Committee Meeting #2, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., North Terminal, Badging Office, Room NA 1265.**
Info, to join email list and to comment: www.lhdmasterplan.com.
Questions? Teri Lindseth, Airport Planning, 266-2544, teri.linseth@alaska.gov.
- **May 14 — Heritage Land Bank Advisory Commission Public Hearing on 2016 Work Program & Five-Year Management Plan, 11:30 a.m., MOA Permit & Development Center, Conference Room 170, 4700 Elmore Rd.** TCC has traditionally submitted comments on these plans, as there is HLB land located within the TCC boundaries. **Approval of TCC comments will be on TCC's May 7th meeting agenda.**
Info: MOA Real Estate Department, 343-7533. The draft documents are available for public review at: <http://www.muni.org/departments/hlb/pages/default.aspx>
- **May 16 — Spenard Farmer's Market Season Opening, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Chilkoot Charlie's parking lot, Spenard Rd. & 26th Ave.**
Info: Mark Butler, mdbutler@gci.net, 240-3868

- **May 18 — Alaska Arbor Day — Help Beautify Turnagain — Plant a Tree!**
Info: arborday.org or contact Patricia Joyner, Urban Forestry Coordinator, Alaska Division of Forestry, 269-8465, patricia.joyner@alaska.gov.
- **May 20 — Federation of Community Councils Delegate Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Federation of Community Councils Conference Room, 1st Floor, 1057 W. Fireweed Lane**
Info: Mark Butler, FCC Manager, info@communitycouncils.org, 277-2977
- **May 21 — TCC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Title Wave Books, 1360 W. Northern Lights Blvd.**
Info and to confirm: TCC President Danielle Bailey, daniellebmt@gmail.com, 406-270-4770
- **May 30 — Capital Improvements Project Ranking Deadline.** TCC approved a joint CIP/Safe Routes to Schools ranking list November 6, 2014. **Any amendments to this list would need to be made at TCC's May 7th meeting.**
Info: TCC CIP Committee Chair Cathy Gleason, cathy.gleasantcc@yahoo.com, 248-0442.

JUNE 2015 NOTICES:

- **June 4 — Turnagain Community Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Our Lady of Guadalupe, 3900 Wisconsin St. (Turnagain Elementary School Library will be closed for the summer)**
Info: TCC President Danielle Bailey, daniellebmt@gmail.com, 406-270-4770
- **June 13 — Anchorage Park Foundation Park Founders Day, noon-3 p.m., west end of Delaney Park Strip.** The Anchorage Park Foundation will be celebrating its 10 years of service, thanks to residents who have made a difference for our parks and trails. Expect live music, outdoor fun and games, food trucks. Share with APF what you think makes Anchorage parks special:
<http://anchorageparkfoundation.org/events/parkfoundersday/>
- **June 18 — TCC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Title Wave Books, 1360 W. Northern Lights Blvd.**
Info and to confirm: TCC President Danielle Bailey, daniellebmt@gmail.com, 406-270-4770

SOMETIME IN JUNE — LYN ARY PARK MEMORIAL GARDEN WORK PARTY. Date to be announced after coordinating with the Parks & Rec Volunteer Coordinator.

SAVE THE DATE — JULY 11 — BALTO SEPPALA PARK FIX-IT DAY. An Iditarod-themed nature trail with interpretive signs will be added to the park. Come out, help out — and enjoy the new additions to this Turnagain park!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AMATS BICYCLE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS. Two proposed projects included in the 2010 Anchorage Bicycle Plan — **a shared road designation for bikes on Turnagain Pkwy. & a designated bike lane on Wisconsin St.** — are included in the 2016 implementation project list. Projects will occur within the existing, paved roadways and road right-of-ways. Construction anticipated to begin Spring 2016. **For more info, go to:**
<http://www.anchoragebikeplan.com/>

AWWU FISH CREEK SEWER TRUNK REHABILITATION PROJECTS/RECONSTRUCTION OF TWO EXISTING RAILROAD CROSSINGS. ARRC reconstruction of two existing railroad crossings will occur this summer, prior to the AWWU sewer rehabilitation projects. The ARRC has notified AWWU the crossings need to be reconstructed in order to be able to provide safe crossings for the various phases of the Fish Creek Sewer Trunk construction projects planned for this summer and upcoming winter.

COMMUNITY GARDEN SURVEY. The Municipality of Anchorage and the University of Alaska Anchorage are asking for input as they conduct a needs assessment and strategic plan development for expanding community gardens in Anchorage. **To take the anonymous survey, go to:**
http://uaa.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_abApcddCCT7qc3H. For info. or questions, contact Shannon Donovan at 786-6052 or email: smdonovan@uaa.alaska.edu.

MUNI CITYVIEW PORTAL. The Municipality of Anchorage Planning Division is pleased to introduce new and improved on-line access to zoning and platting case information, as well as an updated e-alert system.

Through the new CityView Portal, you will be able to:

- Look up the status of active cases;
- View case applications;
- Find public meeting dates and/or decision dates;
- Submit case comments; and
- View case comments.

With the updated e-alert system, you will be able to:

- Sign up for case notifications by community council area;
- Receive case submittal email alerts by community council area; and
- Receive case decision emails.

To register, go to the new CityView Portal at www.muni.org/CityViewPortal/.

PROJECT UPDATES:

• TCC Bylaws Revisions

The TCC Bylaws Committee is currently working on a draft to present to the council at our May 7th meeting. Vote to approve bylaw revisions will take place at our June 4th meeting. See TCC's website for the latest committee draft.

• Northern Lights Blvd. & Benson Blvd. Pavement Preservation Project

A project Open House was held on April 24. Project timeline: May 2015-June 2016. Project includes: repaving, upgraded curb ramps, automated traffic recorders, signal system improvements, new signage, and striping. **Expect intermittent lane restrictions.**

Info: Department of Transportation & Public Facilities, 770-2612, AlaskaNavigator.org. To sign up for project updates, email: NorthernlightsBenson@spawnak.com. Project Manager is scheduled to attend the May 7th TCC meeting.

• Anchorage West Little League Proposed Changes to Lyn Ary Park Ballfield

At the TCC April 2, 2015, meeting, AWLL asked the council to support a proposal to expand the (Bob) Durst Field by extending fence lines at Lyn Ary Park. This change would meet new requirements needed for an older-kids division to play at the park. Also included in the plans presented were to increase the height of the fencing (to protect nearby trail users) and install two new benches. While unsure whether the proposal conformed to the Lyn Ary Park Master Plan, **TCC passed a motion supporting the proposal, as presented by AWLL.**

• Lake Hood Seaplane Base Master Plan Update

At our March 5th meeting, TCC approved initial position statements related to the Lake Hood Seaplane Base, which were developed by the TCC LHSB Master Plan Update Committee. These position statements are posted on the TCC website. The committee will continue to meet periodically and follow the master plan update process on behalf of the council.

The next LH Master Plan Update Advisory Committee meeting will be held May 13th (see May Notices for details).

For more information on the Lake Hood Seaplane Base Master Plan Update, join the automatic email update list, and receive meeting notices, go to www.lhdmasterplan.com. Questions should be directed to Teri Lindseth, Airport Planning, 266-2544, teri.lindseth@alaska.gov.

• FINALIZED: Marston Dr. & Foraker Dr./Turnagain Heights Road Improvement District — Reconciling and Levying Special Assessments

On April 14th, the Assembly approved final “housekeeping” amendments to Resolution No. AR 2014-193, Resolution No. AR 2014-194 and Resolution No. AR 2014-195 — which reconcile and levy special assessments for Special Assessment District 1P03, Turnagain Heights Water Improvement District 1416, and Turnagain Heights Lateral Improvement District 1415. Notwithstanding any additional future litigation by property owners, final Total Project Costs and Tax Assessments are as follows:

- Total Municipal Contribution: \$2,360,413.72
- Amount Assessed to Property Owners: \$2,538,136.58

