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Board of Delegates Monthly Meeting October Meeting Recap



Hello Delegates & Presidents,

Thank you to all who attended this month's meeting. We had the highest attendance of delegates and a public turnout!

Additionally, the agenda was altered to allow for more dialogue by delegates on the work of the non-profit.

For those of you unable to make the meeting, don't worry. You can click the video to watch it.



SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

Wednesday, October 29
6:00PM - 8:00PM
In Person: FCC Office | Virtual: Zoom

Nine Delegates of Community Councils have signed a petition to call a special meeting of the Board of Delegates.

"We respectfully request that a special meeting be convened for the exclusive purpose of reviewing and discussing the proposed updates to the FCC Bylaws. The intent of this meeting is to allow delegates to question and provide recommended changes and direction to the Bylaw Committee, enabling the Committee to incorporate those recommendations and reintroduce the revised Bylaws at the November FCC meeting."

Per the FCC Bylaws, as approved October 2005, Article IV, Section 3 Meetings "The Board of Delegates shall meet at least once every two months, or more often at the call of the Chair or petition of 20 percent of the members of the Board."

You can see the signed petition and the agenda below.

[Special Meeting Agenda](#)

[Signed Petition for Special](#)

To prepare for this meeting, the follow documents are available:

- [Current FCC Bylaws](#) (adopted October 2005)
- [Draft Bylaws](#)
- [Side by Side comparison of Current & Draft bylaws](#)
- [Bylaws FAQ](#)

Representative Reports

Mayor's Office

Graham Downey attended the meeting to report from the Mayor's Office. He took questions on:

- Transit Supportive Development Overlay (TSDO) is now hold
- Mayor's office Attendance at Community Council meetings
- Muni & DOT&PF relationship (particularly around 5th & 6th avenues)
- Winter road maintenance

Contact Information

Primary Contact: mayor@anchorageak.gov | 907-343-7100

Graham Downey: graham.downey@anchorageak.gov

Ad-Hoc attendance can still be requested on specific topics by [filing out this form](#) or by emailing mayor@anchorageak.gov | [Request Mayor's Office at your meeting](#)

Assembly

Vice Chair Brawley attended the meeting and provided an updates on:

Latest info on **Typhoon impacts & evacuation:**

- <https://www.adn.com/alaska-news/rural-alaska/2025/10/15/large-scale-evacuations-underway-from-storm-battered-western-alaska-villages/>
- <https://alaskapublic.org/news/public-safety/2025-10-15/hundreds-evacuating-from-hardest-hit-western-alaska-villages-following-storm>

AK Public Media about **response & how to help:**

- <https://alaskapublic.org/news/environment/2025-10-14/heres-how-you-can-help-survivors-of-the-western-alaska-storm>
- <https://www.alaskanative.net/>

Municipal Budget - full budget book, CIB (1-year project list), all the details:

- <https://www.muni.org/Departments/budget/>

Info on **budget process & fiscal proposals:**

- <https://www.muni.org/Departments/Assembly/Pages/FOCUS-Budget-and-Taxes.aspx>
- FCC Local Lens: [Municipal Budget Process](#)

Public conversation: "Our Muni, Our Budget"

- Hosted by Members Brawley & Baldwin-Day hosting
- Tue 10/28, 5:30-7:30pm @ BP Energy Center in Midtown
- Will have dinner food & child care for those who need it.
- **Info & RSVP:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/our-muni-our-budget-tickets-1762937857589>

Our Muni, Our Budget

Real Talk about Revenue, Spending, & What Comes Next



A **civic conversation** hosted by Assembly Members
Anna Brawley and Erin Baldwin Day.

Free Childcare Available. Dinner Provided.
Scan to RSVP and Request Childcare!



CIP survey:

- Surveys page (MOA): <https://www.muni.org/communitycouncilsurveys/homepage/>
- Overview of process (FCC): <https://communitycouncils.org/capital-improvement-program/>
- Contact: Chelsea Ward-Waller, CIP Coordinator, chelsea.ww@anchorageak.gov or 907.343.8446

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ASD School Board

Carl Jacobs attended and reported on:

- Supporting efforts to help those relocating from Western Alaskan and the typhoon disaster
- School funding and budgeting updates
- Rightsizing - learn more at <https://www.asdk12.org/hot-topics/fy26-rightsized-asd>
- [2025-2026 ASD School Board Assignments to Community Councils](#)

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Planning Department

There was no report from the Planning Department.

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SAVE THE DATE

CHARTING THE COURSE

Leadership & Officer Summit 2026

Saturday, Jan. 31, 2026

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Free tickets available soon

FCC Staff shared that we are hosting the 2nd annual Leadership & Officer Summit. This year's theme: Charting the Course, is inspired by Community Councils which have been navigating their 50 year legacy toward tomorrow's horizon.

In partnership with the Municipality of Anchorage, the Anchorage Assembly, and the Municipal Ombudsman, this year's summit will feature some new and returning guest speakers. Topics will include Robert's Rules, ethics, the history of councils, and more. A key part of the summit is the opportunity for council officers to meet and share with each other.

This summit will be open to all council officers and leaders.

Keep an eye out for more details including ticket information - coming soon!

Better Public Meetings

FCC Staff provided an update that the Better Public Meetings resolution and subsequent versions were all tabled indefinitely by the Assembly at the October 6th Regular Assembly Meeting.

More information will be coming soon.

Contract Information

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FCC Board Information

October Agenda

October Minutes

Meeting Handouts

An item was added to the agenda to discuss the Girdwood delegate. FCC Chair Mike Edgington passed the chair to Vice-Chair Sarah Preskitt. There was much discussion that lasted the remainder of the scheduled meeting time. The meeting was adjourned with the

agenda unfinished.

For further information and details, refer to the October meeting minutes or watch the full meeting on [YouTube](#).

A list of **FCC delegates and their attendance**, along with a list of officers for 2025 was requested at the meeting. Click below for that information:

FCC Delegates Attendance

FCC Officers 2024 - 2025

New Bylaws

As a nonprofit organization whose mission is to foster and support neighborhood engagement, the Federation of Community Council serves as an important advocate and organizer for Community Councils. The Board of Delegates has been in a long process to improve organizational capacity and create a successful support network.

The draft bylaws were created through a multi-step process, which allowed for multiple opportunities for input:

- **Sept. 17, 2024 - Board Roles & Responsibilities, Pt.1:** Delegates provided training on the purpose and expectations of nonprofit boards.
- **Nov. 12, 2024 - Board Roles & Responsibilities, Pt.2:** Delegates reviewed training and discussed core values, decision making, and the traits of a successful board.
- **Mar. 15, 2025 - Board Strategic Planning at 2025 Summit:** Delegates spent a full day learning and preparing for strategic planning. This included the outlining of core purpose & values, as well as identifying a need for bylaw updates.
- **Mar. 19, 2025 - Board of Delegates Meeting:** FCC Board Chair calls for the establishment of a bylaw committee.
- **April thru September 2025 - Bylaw Committee Meetings**
- **Aug. 20, 2025 - Bylaw Worksession:** Bylaw Committee hosts a worksession to informally introduce and take feedback on the draft bylaws. Small edits provided by attendees
- **Sept. 17, 2025 - Formal introduction of the draft bylaws**
- **Oct. 15, 2025 - Discussion did not occur** (meeting was tabled before agenda was complete)

Use the link to read the Draft bylaws that were presented at the September FCC Board meeting.

Draft Bylaws

Bylaw Frequently Asked Questions

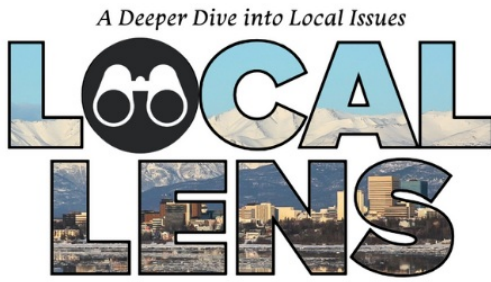
Written comments can still be submitted to the committee by email to info@communitycouncils.org

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Current Activities

LOCAL LENS:



Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS)



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Monday, Oct. 27 @ 6:00PM | Zoom

Join the FCC in conversation with the Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) team and learn more about how local and state transportation planning is coordinated and implemented in Anchorage.

After presentations, there will be a chance for the audience to get their questions answered.

[Register for the Zoom](#)

Community Council Boundaries

AO 2025-119 was introduced at the Assembly Meeting on 10/21. The public hearing has been set for November 4th.

Check out the full website by [clicking here](#).

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Next Board of Delegates Meeting

Wednesday, November 19, 6PM - 8PM
In Person at FCC Office or online via Zoom

**Add FCC Meetings to Your
Calendar!**

If you have questions or comments, please reach out to our office.

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Sarah Preskitt, Vice Chair
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