

# Downtown Community Council

## Minutes

Wednesday, 02 November 2016 @ 5:30

Meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m.

Minutes of October meeting were motioned, seconded, and approved.

Joshua Spring mentioned the Assembly was in the middle of several issues and that the budget had been submitted to the Assembly in October. Patrick Flynn is aware of the issues that downtown is facing and welcomes any feedback or helpful information.

Tom Begich held an even on October 6th, with downtown action group to discuss how we build stronger relationship with the downtown soup kitchen. Mentioned he was incoming senator and encouraged people to vote.

No representative for the mayor's office report was available.

Representative for Les Gara's office updated on downtown issues and welcomes any comments for the representative.

Council announced the creation of the Marijuana/Alcohol committee and the Grievance committee consisting of DTCC board members that would meet as needed to go through new business licenses before bringing them to the attention of the council so as to create enough time for bigger presentations at the general meetings held the first Wednesday of every month. President Hester mentioned that the council cannot allow time to exceed as the Anchorage Museum expects us to have our meeting finished by 6:30pm with little exceptions.

### *S4 Group*

Tom Dreyer, president of the S4 group updated the council on the area for rezoning and expansion by PIP printing near the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Ingra street. There was no issues with the proposed rezoning case.

### *Brown Bag*

Antoine McLeod, owner of Brown Bag and Brynn McLeod presented Brown Bag LLC's view on the concerns that have been presented by multiple business owners and residents around the area of F street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. A video presentation was shown by Brown Bag to the council consisting of meetings of Brown Bag and several business owners including Russ Reno and Doug Farris. Several questions and comments from the council were directed at Brown Bag including calling into question their noise complaints and the number of police reports that have been filed at their location. Antoine mentioned that he would rather not go to the Assembly or the Public Safety Committee, but he was more than willing to abide by the decision voted on if necessary and go before both bodies if need be. Antoine then proposed a motion that Brown Bag take the initiative and bring the community issues raised before the Public Safety Committee. After it was motioned it was then seconded. A discussion occurred where some questions were raised by council members including a concern about Brown Bag violating Title IV ordinance. A vote was then called and the tally was:

Yes: 10

No: 33

Abstain: 6

The verdict was that the downtown community council did not pass a motion that the council would "take" or bring the issue of Brown Bag to go before the Public Safety Committee.

Time Expired around 6:47pm.

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