

DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

FEBUARY 2017 MINUTES

Wednesday, 01 February 2017
Anchorage Museum
625 “C” Street – South Classroom

- I. Welcome & Introductions/Call Meeting to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes

January minutes were approved
- III. Legislative Report:
 - Assembly Report

Reminder Assembly Member Patrick Flynn will not be on the April 4th ballot. He did want to mention that the Municipality of Anchorage bonds were split into four different categories; roads, police, fire, and parks. It is expected that groups will come to CC meetings to discuss these bonds in future meetings. If not
 - Representative Report

Senator Tom Begich was on the phone and also spoke on behalf of Representative Les Gara. Feel good about the dialogue happening resolving the budget issue specifically the revenue issue, common conversation that looks into a solution that re-examines subsidies, oil tax, oil industry, a type of broad based tax and some use of the (2:35 minutes) earnings of the Permanent Fund a percent of market value. Will keep us updated!

Regarding Downtown Anchorage, Senator Begich is beginning to work close with the municipality and the Mayor’s office, as well as with Representative Gara, Department of Transportation, and the Governor’s office.

If you have any concerns, or comments please let him know.
 - Mayor’s Office Report

None.
- IV. Presentations:
 - a. Renovations to Hostetler Park

Informational Presentation: Park is located on the corner of 3rd Avenue and L Street behind the Pacific Office Center (Whale Building). In 1994,

the organization Victims for Justice requested the use of Hostetler Park to create the Alaska Victims' Memorial, which recognizes victims of homicide (currently over 200 names on the memorial site). – Victims for Justice are working with the Downtown Rotary to bring new renovations to Hostetler Park. Presented to the council were design plans of what they hope the park will look like after the new renovations, a much more open and welcoming look. There were no objections by the council.

V. DOWNTOWN CC BYLAWS

Article X: Officers Section A – All approved

Article X: Officers Section B – All approved

Article X: Officers Section D – All approved

Article X: Officers Section F – All approved

Council member Russ mentioned his concerns that he just wants to make sure that everyone's voice is heard on this council. Russ would also like for the agenda and any additional handouts to be sent out 7 days before downtown community council meeting. Council president Corey Hester mentioned the process of how the agenda is made and timeline of FCC to send it out.

Council did vote that they wanted to *table* bylaws as a whole until next month (March 2017) so council members who did not attend meeting can take another look and read bylaws carefully.

VI. 10 minute limit (3 minutes – To Speak / 3 Minutes – For Questions)

VII. Announcements/Neighbor Comments/Agenda Suggestions

None.

VIII. New Business

None.

IX. Meeting Adjourned