

Downtown Community Council

Meeting Notes

February 5, 2020

Call To Meeting – Silvia Villamedes

Council Members in Attendance: Silvia Villamedes, Richard Irwin, Jason Motyka

Members at Large: Max Buher, Chris Jones, Jonath Rendon

Welcome and Introductions – Silvia Villamedes

Approval of Minutes – Dec.4th, 2019

- Motion: Amanda
- Second: Max

Meeting Agenda Approval

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Additions / Corrections – none noted

Reports:

- Assembly Report – Chris Constant
 - Mr. Constant has three more years as representative
 - Two candidates for downtown district process
 - Downtown developments, hotel loading zones
- Senate Report – Tom Begich / Kristin Walsh
 - Juneau report
 - Education bill
 - Energy bill
 - Insurance bill
 - Budget overview
 - Motor Fuel Tax bill
 - Employment bill
 - Spending Cap
- House of Representatives – Zach Fields
 - Pioneer Home bill
 - Private Prison
 - Budget overview
- Mayors Office – N/A
- APD – N/A
- Anchorage School Board
 - Bonds – presentation handout - Dave Donnally
 - Budget - Andy Holleman
- Downtown Anchorage Partnership – Amanda Moser
 - Anchorage Museum – First Friday project
 - Update on Membership Mtg
 - Teams working in the community, i.e. snow removal maintenance

- Title 21
- FCC – No Report

New Business:

- Marijuana and Alcohol Committee Report – Silvia Villamides
 - Approval for licenses
- Treasurer Update – Jason Motyka
 - Over \$4,000 in bank account, most from the Duck Race
 - Discussion regarding future spending efforts for the race

Presentations:

- James Smallwood – School Board candidate – Not in attendance
- ACDA
 - Easy Park – Chris Kersbergen
 - Clarification on letter sent out
 - Managing space available (loading zones)
 - Russ Reno – exclusion of the meeting attendees, lack of local representation and removal of loading zones
 - Platting Properties 8th Ave & K St. – Melissa Branch, Engineer
 - Combining of parcels on 8th and K St.
 - A possible development of residential units
- ML&P removal of lights in alley ways – Russ Reno
 - Lights being removed across the city
- 6th Ave. Garage mixed use project update – presentation of step 1 Kristine Bunnell, Van Le / Larry Cash
 - Project pictorial presentation – hotel, apartments and retail units
 - People Mover will remain as project completes
 - April 6, public hearing
 - A recommendation from the Downtown Community Council is encouraged
 - Canadian Company building
 - Roger Hickel Co. providing construction
 - Reassurance of the foundation security and inspections, safety
 - Modules built in China
 - May is the start date and 1 year for completion
- Update Planning and Zoning Commission – Kristine Bunnell
 - Explained of steps
 - Resolution presented reviewed (see attachment)
 - Step 2 presentation and guest speaker at Marriot Hotel Feb.11th

Announcements:

- Solid Waste Services glass project
- Cindy Hamilton – director for Performing Arts

Meeting Adjourned: 7:45 pm