CALL TO ORDER

The June 21, 2022, regular meeting of the Whittier City Council was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Dickson.

OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Dickason led the pledge of allegiance to the flag

ROLL CALL

There were present:

Dave Dickason presiding, and

Dan Blair, Victor Shen, David Pinqouch, Tom Wagner

Comprising a quorum of the Board; and

Absent: Peter Denmark and Cathy McCord

Also Present

Jim Hunt, City Manager Kris Erchinger, Finance Director Naelene Matsumiya, City Clerk David Borg, Harbormaster Scott Korbe, Public Work Director

Jackie C. Wilde, Assistant City Manager - Teams

CITIZENS' COMMENTS ON ANY SUBJECT EXCEPT THOSE ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING –

APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA Items in the Consent Agenda

Motion (Blair/Wagner) Approval of Agenda and Consent Agenda

Motion Passed AYES: Blair, Shen, McCord, Denmark,

Dickason, and Wagner

NAYS: NONE

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

Mayor Report—None

City Manager Report— (CMR Includes Public Works report and financials) Hunt reported on the City's relationship with the US Army Corps of Engineers. Stated Senator Murkowski has her team are working on the hiccup that happened late regarding the deed and surveyance. Stated that the lease with Huna Totem is being amended as a result. Pending response from Washington DC. Anticipated in the next two weeks instead of months. Alaska Transportation Bill. Well system build for 1.2 plus million. Scheduled to be awarded in a few months.

City Clerk gave an update on the projects the Assistant City Manager has been working on including the Alaska Litter Patrol and Recycling group, stating the group has begun their second week of work, after several hours of orientation and training. She mentioned the project with Municode the total conversion of the City's legislative history meaning all minutes, resolutions, and ordinances will be digitized and available to the public by the end of July. Naelene Matsumiya also stated the City's participation on the 4th of July event with the Chamber of Commerce.

Finance Director Erchinger mentioned the Ferrovial tunnel contract increases each year on July 1st based on the standard language based on the CPI increased to 4.9% in total the Ferrovial contract was increased by \$1,615.00 for the year with a total contract of \$36,587 and the Girdwood Police Contract also increase by the CPI of 4.9% with a contract increase of \$33,075 for the year with a total contract of \$700,875 the how they were affected by the lasted CPI.

Altman Rogers & Co.— Gave a summary of what was discussed at the work session regarding the audit. He went over the draft documents of the review of the City's audit provided by the Finance Director.

Public Works Director Korbe thanked the public for accommodating with the GMC construction. Reported on meeting with US Forest Service with the City Manager. Discussed Shotgun cove from Conception to completion.

Harbormaster Borg mentioned mishap at launch ramp and AlasCom meeting for emergency evacuation for the City of Whittier. Looking at last week of August for follow up meeting. Portable restroom was shipped. Waiting for power to be installed in areas that the restroom will be placed. Cameras and Wi-Fi in Harbor project at 75% complete. Internet is pending. General discussion regarding garbage was discuss regarding the fee schedule that was previously approved.

Commission/Committee Reports— Parks & Recreation Committee— Trail Day on National Trails Day June 4. Working with the School and Stephanie Carlson getting the Community Garden Establish. Next Trail Day July 9th. Whittier Food Bank.

PUBLIC HEARINGS NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Motion (Blair/Shen)

RESOLUTION 2022-020- A Resolution of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska, Approving Repairs To Lift Station 5 For An Amount Not To Exceed \$25,000 And Appropriating Funds

General Discussion was given by Public Works Director Korbe regarding the needed repairs for lift station 5

Motion Passed

AYES: Blair, Shen, Pinquoch, Wagner and

Dickason NAYS: NONE

Motion (Shen/Blair)

RESOLUTION 2022-021- A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska, Approving Emergency Repairs To The Harbor Crane For An Amount Not To Exceed \$15,000 And Appropriating Funds

General Discussion was given by Harbormaster Borg regarding the need for emergency repairs to the harbor crane. Borg also addressed possible concerns on its removal.

Motion Passed AYES: Shen, Blair, Wagner, Pinquoch, and

Dickason

NAYS: NONE

OTHER NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

Motion Blair/Wagner)

Approval of the May 24, 2022 regular meeting minutes

Council member Blair asked that the Amend minutes and transcribe Ord 2022-003 Regarding Delong Dock Wharfage Fee Verbatim

Motion Passed

AYES: Blair, Wagner, Shen, Pinquoch, and

Dickason NAYS: NONE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND REPORTS

April 2022 Financial Reports for the City of Whittier *Please see City Council packet which contains monthly Financial Statements*

Whittier Community 4th of July Flyer

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Pinquoch—talked about past emergency plan., Finance Director question about inflation and the possibilities of increases regarding the budget.

Blair- None

Wagner – Asked staff about the City Park, and RV dump location possibilities. Wagner asked that instead of poles laying across the park to block cars from driving on it that Public Works place jersey barriers

Shen – Asked about visitors and bear interactions in Lou Young Park. Shen also asked about Clinic facility.

Dickason – Mentioned Park and rock on east side from river. If rocks removed, could be used as a recreational area for gatherings or activities. Directed administration to bring a plan forward for that designated area. Public Safety and Whittier not being taken care of by the District Attorney.

CITIZENS COMMENTS- None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Jackie C. Wilde

Assistant City Manager/Acting City Clerk

Dave Dickson

Mayor

