



# THE CITY OF WHITTIER

*Gateway to Western Prince William Sound*

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**WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019  
AT 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
3<sup>rd</sup> fl. PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**

## AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **OPENING CEREMONY**
3. **ROLL CALL**
  - A. Council Members Present
  - B. Administration Present
4. **APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**
5. **RESOLUTIONS**
  - A. Res. #13-2019- A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska, Authorizing the City Manager to restore City Business Phone number, 472-2327 as the Primary Phone Number of the City of Whittier for all Federal, State, and City of Whittier Webpages.
  - B. Res. #14-2019 - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska, Authorizing The City Manager To Evaluate Offers For Fair Value Compensation For The City's Interest In The Whittier Manor Condominium Association Leas.
6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
  - A. City of Whittier Employee Pay Rates – Matters Pertaining to Personnel AS 42.40.170 (4)
7. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Revocation of Administrative Permission to Allow Electronic Bank Withdrawals without Council Member Co-Signature
8. **COUNCIL DISCUSSION**
9. **CITIZENS DISCUSSION**
10. **COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE TO CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

**CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION 13-2019**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA  
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RESTORE CITY BUSINESS PHONE# 472-2327  
AS THE PRIMARY PHONE NUMBER OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER FOR ALL FEDERAL,  
STATE, AND CITY OF WHITTIER WEB PAGES**

**WHEREAS**, The City of Whittier has maintained its primary phone # 472-2327 since 1969; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Whittier's local telephone exchange is 472; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Whittier's 911 service is a fundamental part of the 472 exchange; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Whittier's 472 exchange; is part of the lifeline service which allows elderly access to basic phone services for \$1 per month administrated by the federal government; and

**WHEREAS**, The business community is heavily reliant on the City of Whittier for providing local information to visitors and tourists via the 472-2327#; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Whittier's Chamber of Commerce has made available 75,000 brochures to be distributed throughout South Central Alaska for the 2019 tourist season; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of Whittier, Alaska authorizing the City Manager to restore 472-2327 as the primary business phone number OF the City of Whittier for all Federal, State, and City of Whittier Web Pages.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by a duly constituted quorum of the Whittier City Council on this 12th day of March, 2019

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Daniel Blair  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Naelene Matsumiya  
City Clerk

Resolution 13-2019

Introduced by: Daniel Blair, Mayor

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

**CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION #14-2019**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER AUTHORIZING THE CITY  
MANAGER TO EVALUATE OFFERS FOR FAIR VALUE COMPENSATION FOR  
THE CITY'S INTEREST IN THE WHITTIER MANOR CONDOMINIUM  
ASSOCIATION LEASE**

**WHEREAS**, Whittier Manor Condominium Association leases the grounds upon which the Whittier Manor sits from the Alaska Railroad Corporation under ARRC Contract No. 5136, with an expiration date of January 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska Railroad Corporation and the City of Whittier are parties to the Ground Lease and Management Agreement, dated November 13, 1998, whereby the City of Whittier leases several parcels of land from the Alaska Railroad Corporation; and

**WHEREAS**, Upon expiration of ARRC Contract No. 5136, the Whittier Manor Condominium Association parcel shall become part of Parcel No. 1 of the Ground Lease and Management Agreement, and the City of Whittier shall assume the lease for the Whittier Manor Condominium Association grounds; and

**WHEREAS**, The Whittier Manor Condominium Association wishes to acquire fee ownership of its grounds from the Alaska Railroad Corporation before ARRC Contract No. 5136 expires; and

**WHEREAS**, Any disposal of Alaska Railroad Corporation lands must be approved by the Alaska Legislature under AS 42.40.285(1), and all parties anticipate the introduction of legislation during the first session of the 31<sup>st</sup> Legislature to accomplish that approval; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Whittier must receive fair compensation for its interest in the Whittier Manor Condominium Association lease parcel as part of any transaction whereby the Whittier Manor Condominium Association acquires fee ownership of its grounds; and

**WHEREAS**, It would be to the benefit of the Whittier Manor Condominium Association and to the City of Whittier overall for the Whittier Manor Condominium Association to own the grounds upon which the Whittier Manor sits, and therefore the City of Whittier wishes to negotiate a sale of its leasehold parcel to the Whittier Manor Condominium Association.

**THE WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES:**

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to evaluate, for fair value, any offer presented by the Whittier Manor Condominium Association for compensation for the City of Whittier's interest in the leasehold estate of the Whittier Manor Condominium Association grounds parcel, and make a recommendation to the City Council.

Section 2. Any offer to sell the City of Whittier's interest in the leasehold estate of the Whittier

Manor Condominium Association grounds parcel evaluated in accordance with Section 1 above is subject to authorization and final approval by the Whittier City Council under the applicable provisions of the Whittier Municipal Code Chapter 3.36.

Section 3. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by a duly constituted quorum of the Whittier City Council on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

**Introduced by:** City Manager

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Daniel Blair  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Naelene Matsumiya  
CITY CLERK

Ayes:  
Nays:  
Absent:  
Abstain: