



THE CITY OF WHITTIER

Gateway to Western Prince William Sound

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**WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2019
AT 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
3rd 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 MINUTES**
 - A. May 21, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - B. June 12, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes
- 5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**
- 6. MAYOR'S REPORT**
 - A. Mayor Report – Daniel Blair
 - B. Vice Mayor Report – Peter Denmark
- 7. MANAGER'S REPORT**
 - A. City Manager and Director Reports – Jim Hunt
- 8. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - A. Planning Commission
 - B. Port & Harbor Commission
 - C. Parks & Recreation Committee
 - D. Whittier Community School
 - E. Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corp.
 - F. Regional Citizen's Advisory Council
- 9. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**
- 10. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**
 - None
- 11. PUBLIC HEARINGS (NON-ORDINANCE)**

12. PRESENTATIONS

None

13. ORDINANCE

None

14. RESOLUTIONS

None

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. City of Whittier – Matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the corporation; AS 42.40.170 (1)

16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Harbor Phase 3 Construction

17. NEW BUSINESS

A. Alaska Communication Servers
B. Discussion topic: Gun Range

18. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

19. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION

20. COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE TO CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

21. ADJOURNMENT

SHORT TERM GOALS

- ~~1. City Manager Contract~~
- ~~2. Prepare Initial Budget~~
- ~~3. Marketing Possibilities for P-12 Building~~
- ~~4. "State of the City" Presentation by CM~~
- ~~5. 2017 Audit report~~

MEDIUM TERM GOALS

1. Admin Policy Outline (draft)
2. Future Land Use Development Plan
3. Final Budget (True up)
- ~~4. Delong Dock Enterprise Fund (Creation)~~
5. Girdwood Police Contract (Proposal)



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TUESDAY MAY 21, 2019
7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Daniel Blair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Daniel Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

A. Council members present and establishing a quorum: Victor Shen, Peter Denmark (joined meeting at 7:10), Dave Dickason, Monty Irvin, Debra Hicks, and Daniel Blair.

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to excuse Peter Denmark and David Pinguoch from tonight's meeting.

SECOND: Victor Shen

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

B. Administration Present:

Jim Hunt, City Manager

Annie Reeves, Assistant City Manager

Naelene Matsumiya, City Clerk

Sarah Espelin, Finance Director

Scott Korbe, Director of Public Works

Dyanna Pratt, Executive Administrator

Others Present: Greg Clifford, Brian Hicks, Chris Lau

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 16, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes, April 30, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes, May 16, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to approve the minutes as they are.

SECOND: Victor Shen

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

5. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to approve the May 21, 2019 Regular Meeting Agenda with amendments.

SECOND: Victor Shen

DISCUSSION: Move Executive Session (item 15) to 13 A.

VOTE: Motion to adopt the amended agenda passed unanimously.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Mayor Report

Dan Blair briefly reported on the success of the very first Prince William Sound Natural History Symposium. He stated that he would like to hold another next year. Dan then briefly spoke about best practices. Dan asked that an email be sent out to Council members when checks have been cut to alert council of signatures being needed. He mentioned the budget and the projected 2020 budget.

B. Vice Mayor Report

Peter Denmark reiterated Dan's list. Spoke about target and goal dates.

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. City Manager's Report- Jim Hunt

Jim reported on:

Day-to-day projects

Report from Juneau

Delegation Visits

Summer Plans

B. Directors Report Through the City Manager

Sarah Espelin reported that she is waiting for the audit to complete and from there she will gather concerns from the Council and try to hit the June/July target dates.

8. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning Commission

Nothing new to report

B. Port & Harbor Commission

Nothing new to report

C. Parks & Recreation Committee

Nothing new to report

D. Whittier Community School

Lindsey Erk reported that the last day of school is tomorrow and that there are now 60+ kids in the school.

E. Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corp.

Nothing new to report

F. Regional Citizen's Advisory Council

Nothing new to report

9. CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

None

10. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

None

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS (NON-ORDINANCE)

None

12. PRESENTATIONS

A. Fire Apparatus – Brian Hicks, Fire Chief

Brian did a presentation on the apparatus proposal. He took questions about the fire apparatus from the Council and answered. Jim suggested to match-money with the CVP funds.

13. ORDINANCES

None

13 A. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the P-12 Building.

SECOND: Monty Irvin

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion to enter into Executive Session passed unanimously.

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:56 pm to discuss the following:

A. P-12 Building– matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the corporation; AS 42.40.170 (1)

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to exit out of Executive Session and resume the Regular meeting.

SECOND: Victor Shen

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion to come out of Executive Session passed unanimously.

Council exited out of Executive Session and resumed the Regular Meeting at 8:37 pm.

14. RESOLUTIONS

A. Res. #18-2019 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Whittier, Alaska, Stating the Rate of Levy, Date of Equalization and date when taxes become delinquent for the 2019 tax roll.

MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to adopt Resolution #18-2019

SECOND: Dave Dickason

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

B. Res. #19-2019 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Whittier, Alaska, Approving the Amended and Restated City Manager Employment Agreement.

MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to adopt Resolution #19-2019

SECOND: Monty Irvin

DISCUSSION: Dan asked for Jim to notify the Council when he will not be in the Office. He stated the important of presence for the City Manager.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

~~C. Res. #20-2019 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Whittier, Alaska, Authorizing The City Manager To Sell The Surplus Municipal Real Property Known As The P 12 Building To Whittier Seafood.~~

~~**MOTION:** Dave Dickason made a motion to adopt Resolution #20-2019~~

~~**SECOND:** Monty Irvin~~

~~**DISCUSSION:** Council discussed the topic at length and considered amendments. Council agreed to postpone the adoption until after Council Discussion.~~

~~**VOTE:** None~~

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to postpone Resolution #20-2019 until after Council Discussion

SECOND: Peter Denmark

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

Original motion to adopt died. Resolution #20-2019 was reintroduced after Council Discussion. (Clerk's note: The following was discussed after Council Discussion)

Resolution #20-2019 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Whittier, Alaska, Authorizing the City Manager to sell the surplus municipal real property known as the P-12 Building to Whittier Seafood

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to adopt Resolution #20-2019

SECOND: Monty Irvin

DISCUSSION: Annie Reeves read the amended resolution with added provisions. Council agreed to the amendment.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

D. Res. #21-2019 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska Consenting To The Assignment Of The Lease Agreement For Lot 1, Within Area A Of The Whittier Triangle Business Area From Donald C. And Margaret T. Varlamos D/B/A Varly's Ice Cream and Pizza Parlor To Whittier Lodging, LLC, And Authorizing The City Manager To Execute Consent Documents

MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to adopt Resolution #21-2019

SECOND: Dave Dickason

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

Council Recessed until 9 pm

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item was moved to 13 A.

16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Harbor Phase 3 Construction

Item was not discussed

17. NEW BUSINESS

None

18. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Council Discussed the following:

Goals and priorities

Funds garnered several years ago

Oil spill money

Money spent at the head of the bay for drilling

Gym Employee source of pay

19. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION

Greg mentioned the Harbor Safeboat and stated it was now in Whittier.

20. COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE TO CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

None

21. ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned the meeting at 9:46

ATTEST:

Naelene Matsumiya
City Clerk

Daniel Blair
Mayor



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**WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2019
6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Daniel Blair called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m.

2. OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Daniel Blair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

A. Council members present and establishing a quorum: Peter Denmark, Dave Dickason, Victor Shen and Daniel Blair.

B. Administration Present:

Jim Hunt, Interim City Manager

Annie Reeves, Assistant City Manager

Others Present: Kris Knauss

4. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MOTION: David Dickason made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Agenda

SECOND: Victor Shen

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Lobbyist Representation Pertaining to Legislative State and Municipal Priorities – Mattes, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the cooperation; AS 42.40.170 (1)

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to enter into executive session at 6:23 pm

SECOND: Victor Shen

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion to enter into executive session passed unanimously.

COUNCIL ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:23 PM

MOTION: Dave Dickason made a motion to exit out of executive session at 7:06 pm

SECOND: Peter Denmark

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion to come out of executive session passed unanimously

COUNCIL EXITED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:06 pm

10. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Peter Denmark asked for a brief explanation as to the purpose of the Executive Session.

Dan Blair asked for a meeting to execute the City's priorities.

11. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION

None

12. COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE TO CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

All were in favor of adjourning the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

ATTEST:

Naelene Matsumiya
City Clerk

Daniel Blair
Mayor

CITY MANAGER REPORT

June 2019 Regular City Council Meeting

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

We are working to streamline the boat ramp haul out process during high activity periods

The P-12 appraisal has been performed. We are awaiting the final report. Whittier Seafoods has agreed to the terms of the purchase agreement. Survey is forthcoming.

The City's BTI units have also been appraised. Awaiting the report

Working on Tier 2 Harbor Grant application. We are exploring funding/match options with USDA.

Met with a representative from TOTE here in Whittier. Gave her a tour of the De Long Dock, Shotgun Cove, and the Head of the Bay.

Working on AML-JIA questionnaire

Met with Ports and Harbor Chair

Reorganizing admin offices

Downstairs/lobby improvements are in the works

We are enforcing our easement and land-use permit process

Met with ABC for an interview that focused on Whittier, its people, and how we all interact in contrast to the Outside and the "white noise."

We are working on Water/Wastewater Rates

Fireworks – coordinated with Matt Brown for July 3rd show over the Harbor. Matt will put on a 15-18 show the evening of July 3rd. Public Safety is aware and will help coordinate safety and traffic flow for the event.

Reviewing city-wide delinquent accounts (harbor/taxes/leases). Working with admin and harbor staff to create a comprehensive collections policy.

Communicated with Ports and Harbor (Greg) to begin discussions about Harbor Waste Collection fees. Would like Ports and Harbor to take on the task of reviewing the current fee structure and suggest improvements.

Communication/computer hardware issues continue being worked on with ACS.

Created an agreement for campground hosts.

Continued work with Harbormaster for better signage around Whittier.

Ongoing work for the 2019 Comprehensive Plan

Ongoing work towards acquiring servers

Rented out units 109 and 110 to Seaman's Mission for the summer season

Dyanna Pratt

July 01 is the policy year for health insurance. Premera will remain our employee health insurance provider. The premium is a little less for 2019 per employee, than it was in 2018.

The Real and Personal property appeals are complete and am entering the updated values in the system and preparing for the 2019 statements to be sent out August 01, 2019.

Reviewing the tax accounts for delinquents and I have found accounts that go back to 2014 and 2015. There are also some delinquent real property taxes, but most are for 2018. I am working with Annie to bring all the past due account up to date. This will include all delinquent leases and utilities. We will be meeting with the attorney to go over the City's options to collect the back taxes.

Department of Public Safety has hired two new full-time permanent police officers, and one seasonal.

Public Works hired a seasonal Laborer II.

The Harbor Department has hired a Seasonal Harbor Officer but is still in need of another seasonal Harbor Tech.

Administration has hired an Office Assistant.

Current employees: 29

Administration – 6 permanent full-time

Public Works – 2 permanent /2 temporary

Water/Wastewater– 1 employee

Harbor - 5 permanent – 3 temporaries

Public Safety – 6 permanent / 2 temp

EMT/EMS/FIRE – 1 permanent – 1 seasonal

Sarah is still cleaning up the finances, and I have been working with her on Caselle's accounts receivable to bring it up to date and ensure accuracy.

ABC was here this past week and will be producing a positive story that will be on Facebook and playing in loops in airports across the US and taxi cabs in New York. It will also be shown in broadcast segments on ABC news including affiliates across the US.

BP is applying for a film permit to shoot around the Harbor area for a commercial

HARBORMASTER

Administration:

Billing and maintaining records for DeLong Dock, Ocean Dock and Harbor operations and usage

Preparing to get the RBS Safe Boat for operational usage.

Working with companies in preparation for fishing season of the DeLong Dock and Ocean Dock.

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PUBLIC WORKS

Scott is on vacation. Work on the generator install is about to begin



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Weekly Session Report

2019 Legislative Session
31st Legislature - 1st Session

June 2, 2019

Legislature

Announcements:

Majority press releases & announcements:

House Majority

JOINT PRESS RELEASE

Legislature authorizes Legislative Council to defend education funding, prevent pink slips

May 28, 2019

JUNEAU – In an effort to prevent teachers from receiving pink slips on June 3, the Alaska Legislature is preparing to defend a law providing K-12 education funding for the upcoming fiscal year.

The House and Senate each voted today to allow the **Joint Legislative Council Committee** to take all action necessary to uphold the Legislature's constitutional power of appropriation. The Legislature is also asking for an injunction to allow schools to receive funding until the courts resolve the issue.



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“The Legislature stands by its effort to make sure schools get funded in a timely manner,” **House Speaker Bryce Edgmon** said. “At stake is the essential question of the Legislature’s constitutionally mandated appropriation powers and a fundamental question involving the separation of powers.”

“The Legislature forward-funded K-12 education last year for this very reason – to prevent pink slip notices from going out and provide stability, so that teachers can focus on the classroom,” **Senate President Cathy Giessel** said. “We stand firmly behind the law passed last year, and we’re asking the courts to look into the issue and provide clarity.”

In the past, political disagreements over the budget led to the issuance of pink slip notices to teachers. The Legislature addressed this issue by passing [House Bill 287](#), a bill fully funding Alaska schools for two years and providing districts with a one-time \$30 million grant. The bill was signed into law May 3, 2018.

Senate Majority

Legislature Sends SB 91 Repeal to Governor's Desk

JUNEAU – The Alaska Legislature today voted to repeal and replace Senate Bill 91, strengthen the state’s sex crime laws, and provide police and prosecutors with new tools to fight crime.

“Public safety is government’s foundational responsibility and has been the Senate’s top priority since day one,” said **Senate President Cathy Giessel**, R-Anchorage. “I am incredibly proud of my colleagues for their tireless work on this effort. In the end, the Legislature came together and approved legislation that will restore law and order to communities across Alaska.”

“We poured over every aspect of the bills and made numerous improvements to them, to return the needed tools to law enforcement, prosecutors, and judges to ensure offenders will be held accountable for their crimes and victims will receive justice,” said **Senator Shelley Hughes**, R-Palmer, chairwoman of the Judiciary Committee. “We took our time to get it right, vetting the bills very thoroughly to repeal and replace SB 91. After the fiasco of the 2016 supposed criminal justice reform and the tragic rise in crime and decline in public safety, Alaskans deserved nothing less.”

“Today, we finally repealed and replaced SB 91, fulfilling a promise made to Alaskans by myself and others,” said **Senator Mike Shower**, R-Wasilla, chairman of the State Affairs



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Committee. "Now we can begin the work of restoring law and order, protecting citizens, restoring justice to victims, and turning the tide against criminals in our great state."

[House Bill 49](#) passed the Senate 18-0 and the House 36-2, for a combined vote of 54-2. The bill is now on its way to Governor Mike Dunleavy's desk for his signature.

Bills Introduced This Week:

SENATE

None

HOUSE

None

Hearing Schedule Next Week:

(S)RULES

Jun 03 Monday 12:00 PM BUTROVICH 205

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Senate Bill Regarding:

**"Making Special Appropriations for Payment of
Permanent Fund Dividends"**

<Pending Introduction & Referral>

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --



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Administration

***Governor's Office:
Governor's Press Releases ~***

Governor Announces Additional Boards and Commissions Appointments

Governor Michael J. Dunleavy today announced the following appointments and reappointments to State of Alaska boards and commissions.

<https://gov.alaska.gov/newsroom/2019/05/30/governor-announces-additional-boards-and-commissions-appointments-3/>

Major News Articles / Political Items of Interest

Fishing

Double whammy

Global warming and hatcheries pumping billions of salmon into the North Pacific Ocean are combining to change the very nature of Alaska sockeye salmon, according to a peer-reviewed study published in Nature [...]

MatSu study finds sportfishing economic impact falls \$150 million since 2007

The sportfishing industry supported more than 6,300 jobs. Non-residents accounted for approximately..

John Wood appointed to Board of Fisheries

Attorney and fly-fishing enthusiast John Wood of Willow has been appointed to the vacancy on the board of Fisheries. The position has been open since the Alaska Legislature rejected the appointment of retired Judge Karl Johnstone, after Rep. Ivy Spohnholz had lodged unsupported accusations against him — accusations that were never substantiated.

<http://mustreadalaska.com/john-wood-appointed-to-board-fisheries/>



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Tourism

Whittier is experiencing a tourism boom, but can it keep up?

The town of Whittier celebrated its 50th birthday Wednesday. That half century mark highlights a boom in tourism, an...

Oil & Gas

State still working with BP, ExxonMobil to refine AK LNG economics

New conclusions regarding the viability of the \$43 billion Alaska LNG Project are still several... [Read More](#)

Alaska oil producers to invest in natural gas line project

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) - Alaska oil producers will invest \$20 million to advance the state's \$43 billion Alaska gas line project.

<https://www.ktva.com/story/40570171/alaska-oil-producers-to-invest-in-natural-gas-line-project>

State Budget

Legislature on track to miss deadline for budget, which means another round of pink slip notices

Thousands of state workers can soon expect to see layoff notices as deadlock over the dividend continues in Juneau.

Senate leadership alerted members on Tuesday that it won't be holding a regular floor session until next Monday, which means there's no chance to get a budget in place before the administration is required to notify state workers there could be potential layoffs. A budget must be in place by July 1 in order to avoid a government shutdown.

<http://midnightsunak.com/2019/05/29/legislature-on-track-to-miss-deadline-for-budget-which-means-another-round-of-pink-slip-notices/>

The principle behind "the dividend"

DEBATE RAGES AS TO THE ORIGINAL INTENT BEHIND ANNUAL CHECK Alaskans have debated it for years, but even more so since the Permanent Fund dividend was politicized



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by Gov. Bill Walker in 2016, when he unceremoniously cut it in half, and put the unspent half into the Earnings Reserve Account for

Politics/Policy Calls

Friday in the Sun (May 31): The 'The Endless Special Session' edition

This surfing movie is just terrible!

One month until state government shutdown, Alaska Legislature remains deadlocked on dividend

JUNEAU — With 33 days until a statewide government shutdown, the offices of most legislators in Alaska's sun-dappled Capitol were locked and dark Wednesday. As Gov. Mike Dunleavy's office sent [an email to state employees saying a shutdown is possible](#), only a handful of key legislators, negotiators in an ongoing impasse over the dividend, remained in Juneau.

<https://www.adn.com/politics/alaska-legislature/2019/05/30/one-month-until-state-government-shutdown-alaska-legislature-remains-deadlocked-on-dividend/>

Inquiry looks into alleged Dunleavy ethics violation

Juneau, Alaska (KINY) - An inquiry about whether the governor's office violated ethics statutes with a recent Facebook advertisement has elicited a response from Alaska Legislative Affairs Agency.

Giessel, Edgmon lock arms to cut future PFDs

EDGMON RESISTS SPECIAL SESSION IN MAT-SU OVER 'SECURITY' ISSUES On day 131 of the 2019 legislative session and special session, a difference of opinion, and the power of the Alaska Governor's Office have created an unlikely alliance between House Speaker Bryce Edgmon and Senate President Cathy Giessel. The lifelong Democrat (Edgmon is

Opinion: Gov. Dunleavy's budget is an honest approach to control Alaska's spending

A 'disaster for Alaska?' I don't think so.

Legislature votes to prepare for education funding lawsuit against Dunleavy

Legal action could come after July 1 if the governor and Legislature remain at odds.



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[An important question](#)

As with almost anything of importance in Alaska, the question of whether it is constitutional for the Legislature to forward-fund K-12 education appears headed to court. At its...

[Legislators are barred from getting per diem until a budget is passed, but can they collect anyways?](#)

There's no automatic repayment under state law, but that's not the only option.

[Governor preparing for Mat-Su special session, instead of Juneau](#)

"Pretty much everything worked out" for session up north.

[Governor Dunleavy goes back to Facebook for another live town hall meeting](#)

The Dunleavy Administration hosted a Facebook Live town hall on special session. Discussions focus on...

[With key votes looming, here's where every member of the Alaska Senate says they stand on the PFD](#)

June ACM Report

Assistant Manager

Thu 6/6/2019 3:27 PM

To: Naelene Matsumiya <cityclerk@whittieralaska.gov>

Here are the main projects I worked on for June.

1. Fireworks – coordinated with Matt Brown for July 3rd show over the Harbor. Matt will put on a 15-18 show the evening of July 3rd. Public safety is aware and will help coordinate safety and traffic flow for the event.
2. BTI units and P12 appraised. Awaiting the report to ascertain next steps for both projects.
3. Reviewing city-wide delinquent accounts (harbor/taxes/leases). Working with admin and harbor staff to create a comprehensive collections policy.
4. Communicated with Ports and Harbor (Greg) to begin discussions about Harbor Waste Collection fees. Would like Ports and Harbor to take on the task of reviewing the current fee structure and suggest improvements.
5. Communication/computer hardware issues continue being worked on with ACS.
6. Created an agreement for campground hosts.
7. Continued work with Harbormaster for better signage around Whittier.
8. Ongoing work for the 2019 Comprehensive Plan
9. Ongoing work towards acquiring servers
10. Rented out units 109 and 110 to Seaman's Mission for the summer season

Annie Reeves

Assistant City Manager

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June 7, 2019

From: Harbormaster
To: City Manager

Subj: Monthly Harbor Report

Administration:

- Billing and maintaining records for DeLong Dock, Ocean Dock and Harbor operations and usage
- Preparing to get the RBS Safe Boat for operational usage.
- Working with companies in preparation for fishing season of the DeLong Dock and Ocean Dock.
- Ordered Kiosk for Smitty's Cove and Head of the Bay Campground.
- Installation of communications of Safe Boat.

Harbor:

- Day to day operational support of boat harbor
- Preparation for fish arrival at DeLong Dock.
- Preparing for deck replacement of City Dock.
- Replacing Bathroom Doors at the Triangle
- Singage and arrangement of Head of the Bay Campground, Smitty's Cove, Parking lot and Harbor.

Meetings attended:

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SERVER OPTIONS

Administration would like to be fiduciarily responsible with the City's finances. As such, after careful review of the three options, Administration advises Council to outright purchase the servers (Option 1). It is the safest and most economically responsible option for the City.

Please review the information:

1. Buying Servers Outright

- Total Cost - \$40,910.96
 - Approximately \$13,636.99 per department (Admin, Public Safety, and Harbor)
- City would own the equipment outright
- Average life span of a server is about 5 years
 - Periodic upgrades and part replacements can extend the life to 10+ years
 - Replacement becomes necessary when the server becomes unsupported (replacement parts are no longer readily available and/or the costs/risks associated with maintaining the server exceed the cost of replacing it.

2. Finance Lease (Uniform Commercial Code § 2A-102 Lease Agreement)

- Total Cost - \$52,897.20
 - \$881.62 per month for 60 months
- City can buy servers for \$1 after the 5-year lease is paid in full.
- High risk to the City
 - This type of lease is known as a "hell or highwater lease"
 - ACS has the equipment
 - Great America will buy the equipment from ACS and then lease it to the City
 - The City has no rights other than to use the servers until the total amount is paid
 1. The City bears all risks without remedies
 - The City is made to waive the few remedies available through the UCC as part of the Great America lease agreement:
 - i. **Lease Language:** You agree to forgo the rights and remedies provided under sections 507-522 of Article 2A of the UCC.
 - ii. **Annie:** It seems the City is already in a tenuous position with a "hell or highwater lease." As such – I can't imagine why we would waive the very few protections available to us.
 - iii. **Chris Vachon (Great America):** We will not waive "You agree to forgo the rights and remedies provided under sections 507-522 of Article 2A of the UCC."
 2. If the servers are defective upon delivery, the City must pay out the lease contract and bear the cost of replacements, too

3. The City must name Great America as the payee for insurance coverage of the servers. If the servers are in any way damaged, Great America gets the insurance payout and the City is left to buy/replace the servers at its own cost.

- Any and all monies paid to Great America are lost.

3. TAAS (Technology AS A Service) Agreement with ACS

- Total Cost - \$53,981.40
 - \$899.69 per month for 60 months
 - \$13,070.44 more over 5 years than just buying the servers
- Will always pay for the service unless decide to buy the servers after 5 years at 25% of the total 5-year amount:
 - 25% of \$53,981.40 is \$13,495.35
- This is the most expensive option.
 - After five years, if the City decides to buy the servers, it will have paid a total of \$67,476.75 (!)
 1. That is \$26, 565.79 more than just buying the servers.