

# SYSTEMIC RACISM REVIEW COMMITTEE

February 8, 2022 12:00 PM

Zoom Webinar

## MINUTES

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Worl called the Systemic Racism Review Committee to order at 12:20pm.

### II. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

### III. ROLL CALL

**Present:** Chair Lisa Worl, Vice Chair Grace Lee, Kelli Patterson, Carla Casulucan

**Absent:** Dominic Branson

**Staff/Other:** Robert Barr, Robert Palmer, Di Cathcart, Adam Gottschalk, Jill Maclean, Alexandra Pierce and Assemblymember Liaison Christine Woll

**Other staff in attendee mode:** Sherri Layne, Adrien Speegle, Mayor Weldon, Jeff Rogers, Maria Gladziszewski, Beth McEwen

### IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as presented.

### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as presented.

#### A. September 28, 2021 SRRC Minutes-Draft

#### B. January 3, 2022 SRRC Minutes-Draft

### VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Alex Smith, Downtown: commented on the proposed zone change with Ordinance 2021-26(am). Stating they were raised in a fishing family and not

having easy access to water and boat storage has been a challenge; voiced support for the zone change to create additional boat storage in Juneau.

## **VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Barr read the ordinances into the record, notifying the committee that ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(Z) was pulled at the Assembly meeting last night and will go to the Assembly Committee of the Whole prior to moving forward so it is also pulled from the Systemic Racism Review Committees consent agenda.

Mr. Palmer reminded committee members that when they pull items for further discussion from the consent agenda, they will need to make a formal motion stating what action is being recommended in regards to the item pulled. Since the SRRC is a body of seven (7) they need to have four (4) members vote in the affirmative for a formal motion to pass.

**MOTION:** by Ms. Casulucan to approve the consent agenda as amended, *hearing no objection; motion passed.*

### **A. Legislation Introduced at February 7, 2022 Regular Assembly Meeting**

The following ordinances were up for introduction on the February 7, 2022 Regular Assembly Meeting. the SRRC checklists associated with each ordinance are in the SRRC packet. Ordinances and material associated with the ordinances are located in the Assembly packet {copy/paste link into preferred web browser for access to Assembly agenda webpage}:  
<https://juneau.org/assembly/assembly-minutes-and-agendas>

- **Ordinance 2022-04** An Ordinance Amending the Parking Requirements of the Land Use Code.
- **Ordinance 2022-10** An Ordinance Amending the Land Use Code Regarding Marijuana Establishment Requirements.
- **Ordinance 2022-11** An Ordinance Amending the Street Vending Requirements of Title 62 Regarding Parking.
- **Ordinance 2022-12** An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Plan Related to the Long Range Waterfront Plan.
- **Ordinance 2022-13** An Ordinance Repealing the Confidentiality Provision for Real Estate Transaction Disclosures and Establishing a

## Penalty for Failure to Disclose a Real Estate Transaction.

- **Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(W)** An Ordinance Transferring \$720,504 from CIP B55-078 RRC Detox Additions, CIP B55-082 Hospital Deferred Maintenance, and CIP W75-061 Douglas Highway Water - David to I St. to CIP R72-141 Hospital Drive and Site Improvements.
- **Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(X)** An Ordinance Appropriating \$20,000,000 to the Manager for the Planning, Design, and Construction of Bond-Funded Capital Improvement Projects at Bartlett Regional Hospital, and Deappropriating \$4,000,000 from the Manager for the Crisis Stabilization Capital Improvement Project; Funding Provided by Hospital Revenue Bond Proceeds.
- **Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(Y)** An Ordinance Appropriating \$25,000 to the Manager for a Grant to Sealaska Heritage Institute for the 2022 Celebration Event; Funding Provided by General Funds.
- **Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(Z)** An Ordinance Appropriating up to \$2,000,000 to the Manager for the Purchase of a Used Gondola for Eaglecrest Ski Area; Funding Provided by General Funds.

## VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

None

## IX. STAFF REPORTS

None

## X. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Assemblymember Woll gave an update from last night's Assembly meeting. The Assembly passed Ordinance 2021-26(am) *an ordinance amending the Official Zoning Map by Rezoning Channel View Lot 1, Located near 4650 North Douglas Highway from D15 to Light Commercial*. The Assembly wanted to emphasize all the work the SRRC did and appreciated the recommendations the committee brought to the Assembly.

Ms. Casulucan asked Assemblymember Woll to expand on what lead the Assembly to vote to allow the rezone and the overall thoughts from the Assembly after seeing the heated debate on social media within the community around this topic.

Assemblymember Woll stated there had been voiced concern within certain aspects of the community that the creation of the SRRC would steer the Assembly in its decision-making process. The Assembly pushed back on those concerns and stated their appreciation for the recommendations the SRRC brought forward to the Assembly; noting the committee is doing exactly what its charge states – reviewing legislation and bringing forward any potential issues they see. The Assembly appreciated Chair Worl and Ms. Lee attending the Committee of the Whole meeting and reporting out how the SRRC had come to its recommendations for the rezone ordinance.

Ms. Lee thanked Assemblymember Woll for the update and remarked that the SRRC recommendation regarding the rezone was to get public comment; and generally appreciated the comments received from the public. It was a successful process and highlighted areas where process flow can improve between SRRC and the Assembly for future recommendations.

Ms. Casulucan said the SRRC role is advisory and to bring to the Assembly another lens and provide tools to view issues that concern the community; the committee is not here to impede or hold up any decisions. The ultimate decision-making process is up to the Assembly. The SRRC meetings are available to the public and Ms. Casulucan thanked Alex Smith for giving public testimony today.

Chair Worl observed that each member brings a different experience and insight in which to view the community and our role is to review the ordinances that come before us. She appreciated the trainings the committee took in the spring and hoped that future committee members would be able to view those trainings as well. Chair Worl hoped that with the committee using the toolkit it created to review legislation it will help everyone creating legislation to get in the habit of looking at legislation through those equity lens's.

Assemblymember Woll reported on several other topics discussed during the February 7 Assembly meeting; the Assembly had a conversation about sales tax exemptions regarding food, a topic that has been a goal of the Assembly for quite some time, recognizing it is an equity issue. Assemblymembers said they want to take this goal on and the SRRC will most likely see that issue come before them in the future. The Assembly Human Resources Committee will hold interviews for the two open SRRC seats on February 17 at 5:30pm via zoom webinar. The Assembly Human Resources Committee also discussed zoom bombing and what the Assembly would like to do for better protections for committees as well as the Assembly while still allowing for public testimony. The Committee of the Whole will discuss public

participation and Assembly rules and procedures at its Monday, February 14 work session.

Chair Worl thanks Assemblymember Woll for the updates and noted that accessibility and public testimony is important and appreciated. Chair Worl asked committee members if they would like to meet on February 15, 2022 for a presentation from Scott Ciambor regarding housing and homelessness in Juneau. SRRC members agreed to meeting on February 15 for the presentation on housing and homelessness.

## **XI. NEXT MEETING DATE**

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 15, 2022 for a presentation on housing and homelessness. This presentation was originally scheduled for November 30, 2021 but meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum.

## **XII. SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS**

### **A. Additional Material Related to Ordinance 2022-04**

## **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the committee, meeting adjourned at 12:56pm.