THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA REGULAR ASSEMBLY MEETING

Meeting Minutes – March 14, 2022

MEETING NO. 2022-07: The Regular Assembly Meeting of the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly was held at City Hall and virtually via Zoom webinar and called to order by Deputy Mayor Maria Gladziszewski at 7:00p.m.

I. FLAG SALUTE

II. LAND ACKNOLWEDGMENT

Alicia Hughes-Skandijs provided the following land acknowledgment: We would like to acknowledge that the City and Borough of Juneau is on Tlingit land, and wish to honor the indigenous people of this land. For more than ten thousand years, Alaska Native people have been and continue to be integral to the well-being of our community. We are grateful to be in this place, a part of this community, and to honor the culture, traditions, and resilience of the Tlingit people. *Gunalchéesh*!

III. ROLL CALL

Assemblymembers Present:, Deputy Mayor Maria Gladziszewski, Greg Smith, Christine Woll, Michelle Hale, 'Waahlaal Giidaak, Carole Triem, Alicia Hughes-Skandijs, and Wade Bryson

Assemblymembers Absent: Mayor Beth Weldon

Staff Present: City Manager Rorie Watt, City Attorney Robert Palmer, Municipal Clerk Beth McEwen, Deputy Clerk Diane Cathcart, Finance Director Jeff Rogers, Assistant Municipal Attorney Sherri Layne, Engineering/Public Works Director Katie Koester, Lands Manager Dan Bleidorn

IV. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Instruction for Public Participation

Ms. McEwen provided instruction to the listening public on how to participate in the meeting via the Zoom platform.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

VI. MANAGER'S REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES

Mr. Watt amended his Manager's Request for Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AD) to recommend the ordinance be introduced and referred to the Joint Assembly/Bartlett Regional Hospital Committee. He also requested that Resolution 2981 be removed from the Consent Agenda, as it is still being worked on in the Assembly Human Resources Committee.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Public Requests for Consent Agenda Changes, other than Ordinances for Introduction Karla Hart requested that Resolution 2979 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

B. Assembly Requests for Agenda Changes

None.

C. Assembly Action

<u>MOTION</u> by Ms. Triem to adopt the Consent Agenda as amended. *Hearing no objection, the Consent Agenda was adopted as amended.*

1. Ordinances for Introduction

a. Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AD) An Ordinance Appropriating \$2,400,000 to the Manager for the Purchase of the Family Practice Building at 10301 Glacier Highway; Funding Provided by Hospital Funds.

Bartlett Regional Hospital desires to acquire the Family Practice property near Industrial Boulevard to ensure the hospital has space to expand into as the demand for medical care increases. This property currently houses multiple established medical practices, and it would provide convenient access to medical care for people that live in the Mendenhall Valley. The hospital would like to eventually provide easy access to specialty care practitioners closer to patients' homes.

This request was reviewed by the Hospital Board at the February 22, 2022 meeting. This request was reviewed by the Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee at the March 7, 2022 meeting.

Amended Manager's Recommendation: The City Manager recommends this ordinance be introduced and referred to the Joint Assembly/Bartlett Regional Hospital Committee.

2. Resolutions

a. Resolution 2978 A Resolution Authorizing the Manager to Convey an Access Easement across City Property to Secon Inc., the Owner of Hidden Valley Subdivision, Tract A, Near Lemon Creek.

In August, City staff received a request for an easement through City property located behind the North Lemon Creek Material Source in Lemon Creek from the adjacent property owner, Secon Inc. This property is located north of the Lemon Creek Correctional Center. Secon has an existing easement though the City property that has been in use since the 1980s. The access being requested would allow Secon to improve the water quality of Lemon Creek by bypassing an area of their existing easement that has recently been prone to slope failure and has been contributing to increased turbidity in the waters of Lemon Creek. Fair Market Value of this easement has been determined to be \$9,500. The Lands Housing and Economic Development Committee reviewed this request at the November 29, 2021, meeting and forwarded a motion of support for granting this easement to the Assembly.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.
b. Resolution 2979 A Resolution Authorizing the Manager to Amend the CLIAA Settlement Agreement.

Resolution 2852 (adopted Mar. 22, 2019) authorized the Manager to execute a settlement agreement to resolve the litigation related to the legality of the collection and expenditure of fees imposed upon a vessel related to the provision of municipal services and the construction of capital improvements. The settlement agreement encourages the parties to annually consult to discuss any new proposed projects and services for which CBJ passenger fees are sought to be expended. The amendments authorized by this resolution would update information and clarify that CLIA is waiving objection to the expenditure of up to \$10 million in passenger fees for support to the Capital Civic Center project. The amendments are reflected in the following lines 1, 8-9, 77-79, 160-164, 175-181, 202-205, and 329-330.

The Assembly Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee reviewed the settlement agreement amendments at its meeting on March 7, 2022, and recommended the Assembly adopt this resolution.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.

[Resolution 2979 was removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of Karla Hart. See item below under Public Hearing section.]

c. Resolution 2980 A Resolution Providing For Interest Rates For The Hospital Revenue Bond Being Issued Through The Alaska Municipal Bond Bank.

On March 30, 2022, CBJ is scheduled to sell, via the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank, approximately \$20.0 million in Hospital Revenue Bonds. The issuance of the bonds was authorized by Ordinance 2021-43. The proceeds will be used to fund a portion of the emergency department renovation and new behavioral health facility.

The final Assembly action, per CBJ Charter, related to these bonds is to prescribe, by resolution, the interest rates and annual principal maturity dollar amounts. Schedule A of the resolution lists the years and amounts when the bonds will mature and sets the maximum interest rates authorized. The coupon rate for all the bonds cannot exceed 5.5% and the total aggregate interest cost for all bonds is estimated to be 2.0% - 3.75%.

The Assembly Finance Committee referred this to the full Assembly for adoption at its meeting on March 2, 2022.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.

d. Resolution 2981 A Resolution Supporting the People of Ukraine and Suspending the Juneau Sister City Relationship with Vladivostok, Russia.

Russian President Vladimir Putin has engaged in an unprovoked and unjustified attack on the sovereign nation of Ukraine. The CBJ stands firmly with Ukraine and its people. This resolution would join the CBJ into the international community in strongly condemning the egregious actions of President Vladimir Putin for ordering the invasion of Ukraine and would suspend the CBJ's Sister City

relationship with Vladivostok, Russia. The CBJ shall continue to support the people of Vladivostok and looks forward to a time when true people to people cooperation can be restored.

The Assembly Human Resources Committee reviewed this matter earlier on March 14, 2022.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.

[Resolution 2981 was removed from the Consent Agenda as it was not referred back to the Assembly from the Human Resources Committee.]

3. Bid Award

a. BE22-163 - Dzantik'i Heeni Middle School Roofing Replacement

This project consists of replacement of the exterior asphalt roofing for the Dzantik'i Heeni Middle School, originally constructed in 1993.

Bids were opened on this project on February 8, 2022. The bid protest period expired at 4:30 p.m. on February 9, 2022. Results of the bid opening are as follows:

BIDDERS	TOTAL BID
Earhart Roofing Co., Inc.	\$1,650,000
Coogan Construction Co.	\$2,065,000
Island Contractors, Inc.	\$2,137,100
Architect's Estimate	\$1,740,000

The Manager recommends award of this project to Earhart Roofing Co., Inc., for the total amount bid of \$1,650,000.

b. RFB 22-006 Term Contract for Roadway Painting

Bids were opened on this project on February 28, 2022. The protest period ended March 3, 2022. The following bids were received:

BIDDER	TOTAL BID
Pacific Asphalt	\$120,220.15
Specialized Pavement Markings, LLC	\$197,944.21
Anchorage Striping	\$219,613.895
Jolt Construction and Traffic Maintenance	\$244,382.75

The City Manager recommends award to Pacific Asphalt on the basis of having the lowest responsive and responsible bid price in the amount of \$120,220.15.

4. Liquor License

a. Liquor License Renewals for Licenses: #851 & #3695

These liquor license actions are before the Assembly to either protest or waive its right to protest the license actions.

Liquor License Renewal

License Type: Restaurant/Eating Place-Seasonal, License #851

Licensee: Alaska Travel Adventures Inc. d/b/a Gold Creek Salmon Bake

Location: No premises, Juneau

License Type: Beverage Dispensary, License #3695

Licensee: South of the Bridge LLC d/b/a Louie's Douglas Inn

Location: 915 3rd Street, Douglas

Staff from Police, Finance, Fire, Public Works (Utilities) and Community Development Departments have reviewed the above licenses and recommended the Assembly waive its right to protest the renewal applications. Copies of the documents associated with these licenses are available in hardcopy upon request to the Clerk's office.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly waive its right to protest the above-listed liquor license renewals.

5. Other Items for consent

a. CSP 2021-0007 Harris Street Reconstruction

On February 8, 2022, the Planning Commission heard CSP2021 0007, which addresses the reconstruction of Harris Street between Fourth and Seventh Streets, reconstruction of Seventh Street between Gold and Harris Streets, and the accompanying required roadway construction waiver. Harris Street was originally platted in 1892, prior to the automobile and current road construction standards. Harris Street was last upgraded approximately fifty years ago.

The Commission recommended approval for CSP2021 0007. The project's primary goal is to replace combined sewer systems with separated sanitary and storm sewer systems in accordance with Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency standards. In addition, aged terra cotta water mains, asphalt road surfaces, sewers, gutters, and sidewalks will be replaced for the first time in approximately 50 years. The Commission found this project to be in compliance with the 2013 Comprehensive Plan and the Juneau Climate Action and Implementation Plan.

Initially, a waiver to roadway construction standards was anticipated for this project, which was brought to the Planning Commission. After the Planning Commission hearing in which the waiver was noticed for reconsideration, staff conducted further analysis of AASHTO, and determined the proposed project will comply with AASHTO guidelines without a waiver to roadway construction standards. Thus, the Planning Commission recommends the Assembly adopt CSP2021-0007.

The Manager recommends the Assembly approve CSP2021-0007--without a waiver--as recommended by the Planning Commission.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Resolution 2979 A Resolution Authorizing the Manager to Amend the CLIAA Settlement Agreement.

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The Assembly Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee reviewed the settlement agreement amendments at its meeting on March 7, 2022, and recommended the Assembly adopt this resolution.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.

Public Comment:

Karla Hart, a valley resident, asked the Assembly to vote against this resolution. She believed that the \$10 million expenditure essentially implies that excess passenger fees are funding community resources. She spoke to Juneau's community wastewater treatment needs, mentioning that the Department of Environmental Conservation identified a connection between the influx of cruise ship passengers and fecal coliform levels in Juneau. She suggested the Assembly use the excess funds towards supporting the community wastewater treatment plant.

Assembly Action:

MOTION by Mr. Bryson for the Assembly to adopt Resolution 2979 and asked for unanimous consent.

Objection by Ms. Woll for purposes of a question. Ms. Woll asked Mr. Watt to confirm that the Assembly was not obligated to spend the entire \$10 million on the Capital Civic Center, rather this resolution allowed that as an option. Mr. Watt confirmed that the resolution did not obligate the Assembly to spend \$10 million on the Capital Civic Center, and further clarified that any other appropriations of passenger fees must be approved by the Assembly. Ms. Woll removed her objection.

Objection by Ms. Hughes-Skandijs for purposes of a question. Ms. Hughes-Skandijs asked Mr. Watt to confirm if the Alaska Ocean Rangers Program had already been discontinued by the State. Mr. Watt said he was not aware if the Alaska Ocean Rangers program had been officially discontinued, but was aware that the administration had not proposed funding or support towards the program. He added that the administration has recently proposed providing grant funding to local municipalities for shoreside wastewater treatment systems.

Mr. Watt also explained that some smaller communities have struggled with incoming shoreside visitors in the summer months. The Department of Environmental Conservation believes it would be most effective to direct funding towards upgrading local wastewater treatment plants. He clarified that this is not an issue for Juneau, as this community has a large capacity for visitors. In regards to cruise ship issues, he noted that Juneau has accepted "gray water" from cruise ships in the past, and added that

infrastructure improvements may be appropriate. Mr. Watt clarified that providing grant funding to municipality wastewater plants could be a good idea, but they are not in a position to comment on the efficacy of the Alaska Ocean Ranger program.

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs mentioned that the Capital Civic Center is not the first project she would choose to fund through passenger fees. She asked if she would be correct in stating that passing this resolution would not prevent the Assembly for amending it in the future. Mr. Watt confirmed that was correct, this resolution does not put the Assembly under obligation. He explained that when the settlement was reached, advocates for the Capital Civic Center project lobbied the cruise ship industry for this expenditure. The cruise ship industry preferred to amend the legal settlement as a way to memorialize the industry's non-objection if the Assembly choose to appropriate those funds in the future.

Hearing no further objections, Resolution 2979 was adopted by unanimous consent.

B. Ordinance 2022-12 An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Plan Related to the Long Range Waterfront Plan.

This Long Range Waterfront Plan (LRWP) amendment would allow for a large cruise ship dock and moorage for government vessels near the Subport in downtown Juneau. Page 5 of the ordinance identifies criteria for the development of a fifth cruise ship dock. Assemblymember Woll has also proposed whereas amendments to clarify the Assembly's intent upon adopting this ordinance.

In addition to the Visitor Industry Task Force meetings, this topic was discussed by the Assembly Committee of the Whole on April 12, 2021. Staff held a public meeting on January 11, 2022. This ordinance was forwarded to the full Assembly by the Committee of the Whole on January 24, 2022. The Assembly held a special public testimony opportunity on February 28, 2022. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the February 8, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

The Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance with the amendments proposed by Assemblymember Woll.

Public Comment:

Karla Hart, a valley resident, urged the Assembly to refrain from acting upon this ordinance tonight. She noticed there are citizens in Key West, Florida and Bar Harbor, Maine that wish to limit the number of cruise ship passengers visiting their respective communities. She said that the citizens' ability to do so have been hampered by private cruise ship docks. Ms. Hart does not believe that there should be another private cruise ship dock in Juneau until the issue regarding cruise ship capacity has been resolved. Ms. Hart added that Ms. Woll's amendments allows for a private dock to be built. She believes if the Assembly were to pass this ordinance, they would be allowing the cruise ship industry to have control over the community for the foreseeable future. She said that the results of the public survey did not provide context, nor did it ask respondents if they were looking for limits on cruise ship tourism. She suggested the Assembly direct the Tourism Manager to gain an understanding of the tourism industry on a larger scale.

Laura Stats, a downtown resident, spoke in opposition of amending the LRWP. She said that, prior to amending the LRWP, there should be a discussion on how the Assembly intends to prioritize Resolution

2808, re: the Assembly Goals related to climate change. Ms. Stats agreed with much of Ms. Hart's testimony, and felt that amending the LRWP would allow for a private Norwegian Cruise Line dock. She said that the passage of this amendment would be contradictory of Resolution 2808, the Assembly goals, and the climate change crisis as a whole.

Susan Schrader, a West Juneau resident, echoed the testimony provided by Ms. Hart and Ms. Stats. She said that allowing a fifth cruise ship dock would violate the goals set by the Comprehensive Plan. She spoke to the negative impacts that additional cruise ship passengers could have on quality of life for Juneau's residents. Ms. Schrader expressed concern regarding the 2021 public survey, saying that the responses of survey participants who lived in Downtown Juneau and Thane was not included in tonight's Assembly packet. She said that the results amongst those residents were evenly split between those who supported and those who opposed the LRWP. She said that those residents are the ones who would be most impacted, and hoped that the Assembly would take their concerns under consideration.

Kim Metcalfe, a downtown resident, spoke in opposition of this ordinance. She listed her concerns with the ordinance: including traffic congestion, increased cruise ship passengers visiting Juneau, and the 2021 public survey results. She wished that the public survey had asked participants if they would support a new cruise ship dock being built in Auke Bay or Douglas.

Public testimony was closed at 7:30p.m.

Assembly Action:

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs asked if Ms. Woll's amendment would be included with the ordinance. Ms. Gladziszewski clarified that the amendment would be separate from the ordinance.

MOTION by Ms. Hughes-Skandijs for the Assembly to adopt Ordinance 2022-12 and asked for unanimous consent.

Amendment #1 by Ms. Woll as found in the meeting packet. Ms. Woll noted that the purpose of her amendment is that a dock at the subport is not a forgone conclusion. She clarified the intent of her amendment was to acknowledge the community discussion surrounding the visitor industry, and to consider all of the criteria that must be part of the management plan under which a new cruise ship dock could be built, **not** that it would be built.

Amendment A to Amendment #1 by Ms. Hale.

Ms. Hale proposed striking the word "regulate" in Line 3 and replacing it with "manage".

She also proposed striking "clarifies that" at the end of Line 8 where it states, "This ordinance clarifies that…" and replacing it with "This ordinance *changes*…".

She also proposed striking "does" at the end of Line 9 where it states, "...the Long Range Waterfront Plan does..." and replacing it with "...the Long Range Waterfront Plan to..."

Lines 8 & 9, as amended, would state: "This ordinance changes the Long Range Waterfront Plan to allow a fifth cruise ship dock in the subport area."

Ms. Hale also proposed adding language in Line 11, where it states "Whereas, the Assembly's intent of this ordinance is to allow..." to state, "Whereas, the Assembly's intent of this ordinance is to *change the Long Range Waterfront Plan* to allow a fifth cruise ship dock."

Ms. Woll asked Ms. Hale to clarify the intent behind her amendment.

Ms. Hale explained that her intent with these changes was to further clarify Ms. Woll's intention, to assure the public that this ordinance allows for a cruise ship dock to potentially be built.

Hearing no objections, Amendment A to Amendment #1 was adopted by unanimous consent.

Hearing no objections, Amendment #1, as amended, was adopted by unanimous consent.

Objection by Ms. Hughes-Skandijs for purposes of a question. Ms. Hughes-Skandijs asked Mr. Palmer to explain the third Whereas clause that addresses the VITF recommendations. She said that some of them give her pause, especially those that pertain to hot berthing. Said she that currently, and asked if the LRWP amendment passes, CBJ still would not have any control of a positioning system and that would still be up to the US Coast Guard.

Mr. Palmer explained that there is a question that we do not a definitive answer to that question. He said that if there is a problem they need to solve and the Assembly wants to take that risk on, that is the Assembly's prerogative.

Mr. Watt clarified that getting back to the logic that they proposed some time ago that for handling this project request, which takes layers of approval and consent, the recommendation to the Assembly was to amend the LRWP to allow a dock so that the Planning Commission could do the work of vetting a proposal through the filter of Title 49 and the adopted plans. IF a proposal project was permitted by the Planning Commission, it would come back to the Assembly as the underlying land owner of the tidelands for the question of sufficiency. The Assembly could then determine if there were other needs of the community or requirements that needed to be cared for prior to contemplating the lease of the tidelands. He said that something like a global change on how ships are managed would likely come later on in the process. He said that as the underlying landowner, the Assembly could request something similar to what Ms. Hughes-Skandijs is asking about before the Assembly would agree to lease CBJ tidelands.

Additional discussion took place regarding the question of scheduling, hot berthing, etc... that could be discussed at the Assembly level separate from the discussion related to the Norwegian Cruise Lines dock. Mr. Palmer said that the Assembly is not limited by time or project to take up some of those topics. He provided further clarification of the effect of the ordinance language.

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs noted that rather than asking for unanimous consent, she is actually going to oppose the ordinance as amended. Mr. Hughes-Skandijs spoke to the reasons for her objection. She said that while she appreciated the amendments and the work that has been done, she feels this is putting the cart before the horse. She said that if one were to read the Tourism Manager's memo, they may get a false sense of the pulse of the community and that it is overlooking the global pandemic. She said that the members of the community she has spoken to on both sides of the issue have a sense of inevitability that another cruise ship will be built. She said that from an Assembly perspective, there should not be a rush in the timing on this. She commended the work of the VITF but noted that there is more work to be done and the Assembly is there to represent the community and not the cruise agencies. She said that as they approach the first 'normal' summer since the beginning of the pandemic, they may want to wait to see how it goes and then look at the impacts those numbers have to Juneau and then take future action. She said that for all those reasons, she objects to the ordinance.

Mr. Smith, Ms. Woll, 'Waahlaal Giidaak, and Ms. Gladziszewski spoke in favor of the ordinance as amended and spoke to the reasons they support it. They said that they appreciated Ms. Hughes-Skandijs' concerns but that this ordinance, as amended, provides for an opportunity for dialogue about what tourism should look like in the future and that this is not the end of the conversation. This allows for additional time to build on the conversations that the community has begun.

Roll Call Vote on Ordinance 2022-12 as amended

Yeas: Bryson, Hale, Smith, Triem, Woll, 'Waahlaal Giidaak, Gladziszewski

Nays: Hughes-Skandijs *Motion passed 7 yeas: 1 nay*

C. Ordinance 2022-14 An Ordinance Authorizing the Manager to Convey Lot 9, Block 13, Juneau Townsite, Located at 139 South Franklin Street in Downtown Juneau, to Franklin Foods LLC.

Franklin Foods LLC submitted an application to purchase City property located at 139 South Franklin Street in June of 2021. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommended the Assembly dispose of this property at its meeting on September 7, 2021. On October 25, 2021, the Assembly passed a motion of support for the Manager to negotiate with the original proposer towards the disposal of CBJ property. Fair market value was determined by appraisal to be \$171,000.

The Planning Commission (CSP 2021-0006) reviewed this proposed disposal at its meeting on January 11, 2022, and recommended the Assembly dispose of this property. The Lands, Housing and Economic Development Committee reviewed the draft ordinance at the February 14, 2022 meeting and passed a motion of support for disposal. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the March 1, 2022, meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

Public Comment:

None.

Assembly Action:

<u>MOTION</u> by Ms. Triem to adopt Ordinance 2022-14 and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection the motion passed*.

D. Ordinance 2021-09(B) An Ordinance Appropriating and Deappropriating Funds from the Treasury for FY22 School District Operations.

The Juneau School District's (JSD) projected student enrollment has decreased by 146 students in FY22. The decrease in students constitutes a reduction in the City and Borough of Juneau's funding for general school operations by \$35,750. JSD requests that this funding instead be used for purposes outside the local funding cap. Possible areas that the funding could be moved to would be Transportation, Rally, Food Service, Student Activities, Community Schools, or other areas.

This request was reviewed by the JSD Board on January 11 and February 8, 2022. This request was reviewed by the Assembly Finance Committee at the March 2, 2022 meeting. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the March 1, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

The Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

Public Comment:

None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION by 'Waahlaal Giidaak to adopt Ordinance 2021-09(B) and asked for unanimous consent.

Objection by Mr. Bryson. In speaking to his objection, Mr. Bryson said that whenever they consider funding for the school district, no amount of money is ever going to be enough.

Roll Call Vote on Ordinance 2021-09(B)

Yeas: Hale, Smith, Triem, Woll, 'Waahlaal Giidaak, Hughes-Skandijs, Gladziszewski

Nays: Bryson

Motion passed 7 yeas: 1 nay

E. Ordinance 2021-09(A) An Ordinance Appropriating \$10,000 from the Treasury for FY22 School District Operations.

The CBJ Parks and Recreation Department provides the Juneau School District (JSD) \$20,000 annually in facility rentals at Treadwell Arena at no cost. JSD is requesting an additional \$10,000 of ice time to support the Juneau Douglas High School hockey team. This ordinance would appropriate \$10,000 to the School District, not subject to the local funding cap, to purchase additional ice time at the rink from Parks and Recreation.

This request was reviewed by the JSD Board on January 11 and February 8, 2022. This request was reviewed by the Assembly Finance Committee at the March 2, 2022 meeting. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the March 1, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

The Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

Public Comment:

None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION by 'Waahlaal Giidaak to adopt Ordinance 2021-09(B) and asked for unanimous consent.

Objection by Mr. Bryson. In speaking to his objection, Mr. Bryson suggested that the \$10,000 in this ordinance may be best coming from the \$35,000 in the previous ordinance.

Roll Call Vote on Ordinance 2021-09(A)

Yeas: Hale, Smith, Triem, Woll, 'Waahlaal Giidaak, Hughes-Skandijs, Gladziszewski

Nays: Bryson

Motion passed 7 yeas: 1 nay

F. Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AB) An Ordinance Appropriating \$5,500,000 to the Manager as Funding for City and Borough of Juneau and Juneau School District Deferred Maintenance Capital Improvement Projects; Funding Provided by General Funds.

This ordinance would appropriate \$5,500,000 of general funds for City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) and Juneau School District (JSD) deferred maintenance capital improvement projects, to be appropriated as follows:

School Roof Replacements (S02-104)	\$ 1,124,000
JSD Deferred Maintenance and Imprv. (S02-105)	\$ 876,000
CBJ Deferred Building Maintenance (P44-090)	\$ 1,600,000
Downtown/Glacier Fire Station	
Mechanical/Electrical Upgrades (F21-041)	\$ 800,000
CBJ Deferred Building Maintenance (P44-089)	\$ 600,000
Parks & Playground Maint. And Repairs (P41-093)	\$ 500,000

This appropriation provides for deferred maintenance of HVAC systems at the Downtown, Douglas, and Glacier Fire Stations, Treadwell Arena, and Douglas Library, as well as moisture control at Riverbend Elementary School, the replacement of the Dzantik'i Heeni Middle School roof, and city-wide park maintenance.

This appropriation brings CBJ and JSD's deferred maintenance spending closer to the minimum recommended industry standards and supplements major deferred maintenance projects that are coming in higher than originally estimated due to current market escalation.

The Public Works and Facilities Committee reviewed this request at the February 14, 2022 meeting. This request was reviewed by the Assembly Finance Committee at the March 2, 2022 meeting. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the March 1, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

The Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

Public Comment:

None.

Assembly Action:

<u>MOTION</u> by Ms. Woll to adopt Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AB) and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection the motion passed.*

G. Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AA) An Ordinance Transferring \$120,000 from CIP U76-121 Collection System Pump Station Upgrades and CIP W75-061 Douglas Highway Water - David to I St. to CIP R72-157 Spruce Lane Reconstruction.

This request would provide \$120,000 in funding for the Spruce Lane Reconstruction CIP to repair additional water and wastewater issues undiscovered until the completion of detailed design. Additionally, the project estimate has increased as a result of inflation, supply chain issues, and other economic factors. The proposed transfers are reallocating funds from one completed project and one ongoing project, which will retain sufficient funding to cover remaining project work.

The Public Works and Facilities Committee reviewed this request on February 14, 2022. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the March 1, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

The Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

Public Comment:

None.

Assembly Action:

<u>MOTION</u> by Mr. Smith to adopt Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AA) and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection the motion passed.*

G. Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AC) An Ordinance Appropriating \$75,000 to the Manager as Funding for Eaglecrest's Fiscal Year 2022 Pay Plan Adjustment; Funding Provided by Eaglecrest Revenue.

This ordinance would appropriate \$75,000 for Eaglecrest's FY22 pay plan adjustment. The pay plan adjustment increased all actively used pay ranges and longevity steps to an hourly rate greater than the Alaska minimum wage of \$10.34/hour. Changes to the pay plan increased individual employee wages from 4% to 17%, with lower wage employees receiving the greatest percentage increases. Individual employee wages increased on average by 11%.

Funding for this ordinance is provided by Eaglecrest revenue.

The Assembly Finance Committee discussed the pay plan adjustment at the January 5, 2022, meeting. The Eaglecrest Board approved the pay plan adjustment at the January 7, 2022, meeting. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the March 1, 2022, meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

The Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

Public Comment:

None.

Assembly Action:

<u>MOTION</u> by Mr. Bryson to adopt Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(AC) and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection the motion passed.*

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

XIII. STAFF REPORTS

None.

XIV. ASSEMBLY REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report - None.

B. Committee Reports, Liaison Reports, Assembly Comments and Questions

Ms. Gladziszewski noted that the Committee of the Whole met last Monday and held joint meetings with the School Board and the Airport Board.

Ms. Triem reported that at this meeting, they passed three ordinances that were discussed in the Assembly Finance Committee on March 2 and the AFC also met on Saturday, March 12 and staff will be drafting the ordinances discussed at that meeting to be brought back to the Assembly for consideration. She thanked everyone for giving up their Saturday morning for that meeting.

Mr. Bryson reported that the Assembly Public Works and Facilities Committee met and discussed the costs associated with the two sites selected for the New City Hall project. They had an introduction to the CIP resolution/projects and that has been forwarded to the AFC. They also received a report on the ground source heat pumps for the Glacier Fire Station which are too expensive to install. They also received an update on the landfill and the methane concerns. He noted that they are only capturing 30% of the methane gases and unless/until it gets up to the 50% mark, they cannot turn it into energy so until the landfill gets a lot stinkier, they cannot harness those gases for energy consumption.

Ms. Hale reported that the Lands, Housing and Economic Development Committee met on March 7 and discussed the Family Practice Building purchase, the amendment to the CLIA settlement agreement, and had a VITF implementation update. They also looked at their goals and Mr. Bleidorn reminded the committee that they only have two staff members supporting the work of the committee so the work on those goals may be limited by staffing resources. The next meeting is April 11.

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs reported that the Assembly Human Resources Committee met and forwarded the following names for appointments to boards:

Douglas Advisory Board

Joanna Wulffenstein and Kayla Mount to terms beginning immediately and expiring September 30, 2024

Historic Resources Advisory Committee

Donald Harris to a term beginning immediately and expiring June 30, 2024

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Nominations to the LEPC Corey Padron to the primary Alaska Native Tribal Representative seat and Sabrina Boone to the alternate Alaska Native Tribal Representative seat for terms beginning immediately and expiring December 31, 2024 as well as the nomination of Jonathan Suk to the primary Haz/Mat Transporter seat to a term beginning immediately and expiring December 31, 2023.

Hearing no objection, those appointments and nominations were approved by unanimous consent.

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs noted that the HRC had received a request from the Aquatics Board to modify its rules with respect to membership since they are having difficulty in obtaining quorum. The HRC

directed staff to bring back an ordinance reflecting those changes to the Assembly. She also noted that they discussed Resolution 2981 regarding the status of the sister cities relationship with Vladivostock and held it over in HRC for additional information/discussion.

Ms. Gladziszewski reported that the Housing Development Task Force has one, possibly two, more meetings before they complete their charge.

Mr. Bryson reported his attendance at the LEPC meeting at which Corey Padron was introduced as was USCG Captain Jensen. He also reported on attending the recent Airport Board meeting at which they were dealing with issues of flooding in some of the hangars. He noted that the first Delta flight of the summer is scheduled to arrive on June 9, 2022 and that Alaska Airlines announced they will be starting a flight that departs JNU at 2:30a.m.

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs reported that the Juneau Commission Aging was meeting the next day. She also noted that she attended the most recent Planning Commission meeting that was only 1 hour long, which must be a record short meeting for them. She stated that she had attended some of the rededication ceremony for the Wooshkeetaan Kootéeyaa (Totem Pole) raising at the State Office Building.

Ms. Triem reported that the Aquatics Board met on February 22 and that the Eaglecrest Summer Operations Task Force also met. She reported on the meetings of Juneau Commission on Sustainability and that she had given a presentation on the Fund Balance at a meeting of the Glacier Valley Rotary Club.

'Wáahlaal Gíidaak reported that the Juneau School Board met and is currently meeting again. She said that as of April 4, the schools will be implementing a mask "optional" policy. She noted that the Sister Cities Committee is needing people and cannot meet due to lack of quorum. 'Wáahlaal Gíidaak shared that Gastineau Channel Little League is currently signing up players.

Ms. Hale reported that she missed the most recent BRH Board meeting. She reported that the HDTF meetings have been productive. Ms. Hale said that due to work conflicts, she has had to miss Juneau Chamber of Commerce meetings and she may request the Mayor to appoint an alternate in her place.

Ms. Woll reported that the Docks & Harbors Board has not met as a full board since the last Assembly meeting. She said that the SRRC met and just had two new members appointed who are getting oriented to the SRRC process.

Mr. Smith reported that his attendance at the UAS Campus Council meeting was usurped by the PWFC. He said the Eaglecrest Board met and that they are currently struggling with staffing issues. He noted that he too attended portions of the Wooshkeetaan Kootéeyaa (Totem Pole) raising at the State Office Building and also attended the UAS reception.

Mr. Smith noted that the next meeting of the Eaglecrest Summer Operations Task Force is scheduled for March 17 at 5:30p.m.

D. Presiding Officer Reports

None.

XIV. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS –

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Collective Bargaining Update

Ms. Woll shared that she met with the City Attorney prior to tonight's meeting, and said that she had a conflict of interest as it pertains to contract negotiations with the Juneau Career Firefighters Association. Ms. Woll recused herself from any discussion regarding that specific contract.

<u>MOTION</u> by Ms. Triem for the Assembly to go into Executive Session to discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which may have a detrimental effect on the finances of the city, namely an update on Collective Bargaining. There being no public comment on recessing into Executive Session and hearing no objections, the Assembly went into Executive Session at 8:24p.m. They returned from Executive Session at 10:35p.m.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Assembly, the Regular Assembly meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Signed:		Signed:		
C	Elizabeth J. McEwen	Beth A. Weldon		
	Municipal Clerk	Mayor		