

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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ASSEMBLY AGENDA

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY REGULAR MEETING

6:00 PM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2025

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

VI. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

A. AGENCY REPORTS (MSB 2.12.082; Seven minutes per person)

- 1. Reports From Cities**
- 2. Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District**
- 3. State of Alaska**
- 4. Mat-Su Convention and Visitor's Bureau**

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Joint Assembly/School Board Committee On School Issues**
- 2. Assembly Public Relations**

C. MANAGER COMMENTS

- 1. State/Federal Legislation**
- 2. Strategic Planning Issues**
- 3. Fiscal Year 2024 Audit Presentation**

[25-026](#) Auditor Report Handout

Attachments: [02/04/25 - Audit Presentation Slides](#)

[25-029](#) Terra Energy Presentation (separate presentation from the audit)

Attachments: [02/04/24 - Terra Energy Presentation](#)

D. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

E. CLERK COMMENTS

F. CITIZEN AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

[25-019](#)

1. Big Lake Community Council: Resolution No. 25-001
2. Butte FSA Board of Supervisors: 11/14/24
3. Greater Willow RSA Board of Supervisors: Resolution 24-01
4. Joint Central Mat-Su & West Lakes FSA Board of Supervisors: 10/14/24
5. Library Board: 11/12/24
6. Local Emergency Planning Committee: 10/16/24
7. Midway RSA Board of Supervisors: 10/09/24
8. Planning Commission: 12/16/24, Resolution No. 24-33
9. Talkeetna RSA Board of Supervisors: Resolution No. 24-01
10. Trapper Creek Community Council: 11/21/24, 12/19/24
11. Willow Area Community Organization: 12/04/24
12. West Lakes FSA Board of Supervisors: 12/09/24

Attachments: [02/04/25 - Citizen and Other Correspondence](#)

G. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUMS

VII. SPECIAL ORDERS

A. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (You can speak under one of the audience participations on the agenda, but not both; Three Minutes Per Person.)

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Three Minutes Per Person.)

[OR 25-014](#)

An Ordinance Reappropriating \$90,000 From The Project Management Division Fiscal Year 2025 Operating Budget, \$7,849.21 From Settlers Bay Road/Parking Lot Project, And \$4,287.19 From Alcantra Field No. 4 Repair Project; And Extending The Date Of Completion For The Project Funding To June 30, 2026, For The Public Works Project Management Software Purchase And Setup.

RS 25-009: A Resolution Amending The Budget For The Generator For Warm Storage Building, Settlers Bay Road/Parking Lot, Alcantra Field No. 4 Repair; Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For The Public Works Project Management Software Purchase And Setup.

Attachments: [OR 25-014](#)

[RS 25-009](#)

[IM 25-029](#)

[OR 25-015](#) An Ordinance Authorizing The Borough To Issue Areawide General Obligation Bonds Not To Exceed \$117,639,400, In One Or More Series, To Finance The Cost, In Whole Or In Part, Of (A) The Acquisition, Design, Construction, Major Renovation And Renewal Of Educational And Related Capital Improvement Projects In The Matanuska-Susitna Borough, (B) The Construction, Additions, Improvements, Betterments, Repair, Reconstruction, Or Acquisition Of Public Roads And Pathways And Facilities Related Thereto In The Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Together With All Necessary Equipment And Transportation Facilities Including Improving School Access, And The Acquisition Of Lands Or Rights In Lands In Connection Therewith, And (C) The Refunding Of Certain Outstanding General Obligation Bonds Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough; Fixing Certain Details Of Such Bonds; And Authorizing Their Sale.

Attachments: [OR 25-015](#)
[IM 25-031](#)

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (You can speak under one of the audience participations on the agenda, but not both; Three Minutes Per Person.)

D. CONSENT AGENDA

1. RESOLUTIONS

[RS 25-010](#) A Resolution Approving The Amended Scope Of Work And Budget For Lynda Lake Portage At Beaver Lake Road And Birch Creek Tributary At Mastodon Road Fish Passage Project.

Attachments: [RS 25-010](#)
[IM 25-033](#)

[RS 25-011](#) A Resolution Authorizing The Manager To Sign And Submit Grant Applications To The National Fish Habitat Partnerships For Kings Lake At Sierra Street And Anderson Lake At Charley Drive Fish Passage Project; And To The National Oceanic And Atmospheric Administration For The Wasilla Creek Tributary At Bonnie Drive Fish Passage Culverts Replacement Project.

Attachments: [RS 25-011](#)
[IM 25-034](#)

[RS 25-012](#) A Resolution Reaffirming The Borough's Commitment In Hiring Practices To Neither Discriminate Nor Favor Applicants Because Of Race, Religion, Color, National Origin, Physical Or Mental Disability, Age, Sex, Marital Status, Changes In Marital Status, Pregnancy, Or Parenthood.

Sponsors: Fonov

Attachments: [RS 25-012](#)
[IM 25-036](#)

[RS 25-013](#) A Resolution Supporting The Goals And Objectives Of President Trump's Executive Order Unleashing Alaska's Extraordinary Resource Potential.

Sponsors: Sumner

Attachments: [RS 25-013](#)
[IM 25-037](#)

2. ACTION MEMORANDUMS

[AM 25-005](#) Approval Of Change Order No. 5 For Contract No. 22-104P(C) With DOWL, LLC. To Add \$355,624 For The Shaw Elementary Turn Lane Project To Expand The Traffic Study And Design Efforts To Include The Extension Of East Foxtrot Avenue And Birch Tree Charter School Projects; And Extend The Contract To June 18, 2027.

Attachments: [AM 25-005](#)

[AM 25-012](#) Award Of Proposal No. 25-034P To Orion Construction, Inc. In The Contract Amount Of \$825,000 To Design, Build, And Install Exhibits At The Gateway Visitor Center.

Attachments: [AM 25-012](#)

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. VETO

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. INTRODUCTIONS (For Public Hearing 02/18/25, Assembly Chambers)

[OR 25-013](#) An Ordinance Approving The Sale Of Certain Borough-Owned Real Property Acquired Through Tax Foreclosure For Delinquent Real Property Tax Years 2019, 2018, And Prior; And Not Needed For Public Purpose.

Attachments: [OR 25-013](#)
[IM 25-028](#)

[OR 25-017](#) An Ordinance Amending MSB 5.25, Service Areas, To Provide For A Five-Member Board Of Supervisors For The Road Service Areas In Caswell Lakes, Greater Willow, Meadow Lakes, Gold Trail, Greater Talkeetna, And Trapper Creek.

Sponsors: Bernier

Attachments: [OR 25-017](#)
[IM 25-035](#)

B. MAYORAL NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. VACANCY REPORT

[25-021](#) Mayoral Requests for Confirmation

Attachments: [02/04/25 - Vacancy Report](#)

C. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

D. REFERRALS (For Referral To The Planning Commission For 90 Days Or Other Date Specified By The Assembly)

XI. RECONSIDERATION

XII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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