

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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ASSEMBLY AGENDA

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS

350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

ASSEMBLY REGULAR MEETING

6:00 PM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021

20-073

Ways you can participate in the Assembly meeting:

IN PERSON:

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IN WRITING: You can submit written comments to
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- Live stream audio at Radiofreepalmer.org; or
- Live stream video at Matanuska.Legistar.Com/Calendar.
- Live stream through Facebook at www.facebook.com/MatSuBorough

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**

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**

D. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

E. CLERK COMMENTS

F. CITIZEN AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

[21-169](#)

1. Borough Area Schools Site Selection Committee: 04/14/21, Resolution Nos. 21-01, 21-02, 21-03
2. Big Lake Community Council: 05/11/21, 06/08/21
3. Planning Commission: 07/19/21, Resolution Nos. 21-15, 21-16
4. West Lakes FSA Board of Supervisors: 06/14/21
5. Willow Area Community Organization: 04/07/21, 05/05/21, 07/07/21

Attachments: [08/17/21 - Citizen and Other Correspondence](#)

G. INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUMS

[IM 21-171](#)

Informing The Assembly Of A Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Alaska State Department Of Transportation And Public Facilities And The Matanuska-Susitna Borough That Will Be Presented To The Borough Manager For Signature For The Community Transportation Program Funding For Maintenance And Operations Of Hermon Road Upgrade And Extension Project.

Attachments: [2021-IM-171](#)

[IM 21-172](#)

Informing The Assembly Of A Grant Amendment From The Alaska Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Management That Will Be Presented To The Borough Manager For Signature.

Attachments: [2021-IM-172](#)

[IM 21-173](#)

Informing The Assembly Of A Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Alaska State Department Of Transportation And Public Facilities And The Borough That Will Be Presented To The Manager For Signature For The Transfer Of Local Roads To The Borough In Connection With The Alaska State Department Of Transportation And Public Facilities Installation, Operations And Maintenance Of Lighting As Part Of The Glenn Highway Milepost 34-42 Project.

Attachments: [2021-IM-173](#)

VII. SPECIAL ORDERS

A. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (MSB 2.12.081; Three Minutes Per Person.)

(Requires 11 Days Advance Notice And Must Otherwise Be In Compliance With The Necessary Code Requirements. If No Advance Notice Is Given, Persons Wishing To Speak May Do So Under The Audience Participation Section Of The Agenda.)

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS (Three Minutes Per Person.)

[OR 21-076](#) An Ordinance Relating To The Construction, Additions, Improvements, Betterments, Repair, Reconstruction, Or Acquisition Of Public Roads 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 A Debt Of The Borough, Authorizing The Issuance Of Areawide General Obligation Bonds Of The Borough In An Amount Not To Exceed The Sum Of \$73,685,000 To Finance The Cost, In Whole Or In Part, Of Such Public Roads, Facilities, And Lands; And Submitting The Proposition To The Voters At The November 2, 2021, Regular Borough Election.

Attachments: [08/17/21 - Nowers Possible Amendment No. 1](#)
[08/17/21 - Nowers Possible Amendment No. 2](#)
[08/17/21 - Tew Possible Amendment](#)

[OR 21-077](#) An Ordinance Adopting MSB 1.10.170 And MSB 3.35, 1.5 Percent Areawide Sales Tax For Transportation Systems Projects, Implementing A 1.5 Percent Sales Tax Within The Entire Matanuska-Susitna Borough Beginning On July 1, 2022, For A Period Of Five Years, Or Until \$73,685,000 Is Collected, Whichever Is Earlier, And Then Expire; And Submitting The Proposition To The Voters At The November 2, 2021, Regular Borough Election.

Attachments: [2021-OR-077](#)
[2021-IM-156](#)

[OR 21-079](#) An Ordinance Amending MSB 3.04.046 To Provide That The Borough Manager Must Propose An Annual Budget With Education Annual Operating Funds Set At Sixty Percent Of The Proposed Areawide Real Property Tax Mill Rate.

Sponsors: Halter and McKee

Attachments: [2021-OR-079](#)
[2021-IM-159](#)

[OR 21-080](#) An Ordinance Authorizing The Manager To Enter Into A Commercial Use Permit With Colaska, Inc., For The Use Of Borough-Owned Land And Improvements Within The Point Mackenzie Port District, Located Within Section 26, Township 14 North, Range 4 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska, For A Term That Exceeds 18 Months (MSB Title 18.02.010).

Attachments: [2021-OR-080](#)
[2021-IM-160](#)

[OR 21-081](#) An Ordinance Approving An Appropriation Of \$16,320 From The Enhanced 911 Fund Balance, To A Project To Allow The City Of Wasilla To Obtain Reimbursement From The Enhanced 911 Surcharge Funding For A Solacom Guardian Solutions 911 Media Server System.

RS 21-081: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For A Project To Allow The City Of Wasilla To Obtain Reimbursement From The Enhanced 911 Surcharge Funding For A Solacom Guardian Solutions 911 Media Server System.

Attachments: [2021-OR-081](#)
[2021-RS-081](#)
[2021-IM-161](#)

[OR 21-082](#) An Ordinance To Accept And Appropriate COVID-19 Disaster Relief Funds Of \$125,176.27 From The Federal Emergency Management Agency.

RS 21-082: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For COVID-19 Disaster Relief Funds.

Attachments: [2021-OR-082](#)
[2021-RS-082](#)
[2021-IM-162](#)

[OR 21-083](#) An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating A Grant In The Amount Of \$40,000 From The State Of Alaska, Department Of Health And Social Services, To Allow For The Implementation And Management Of Points Of Dispensing And Medical Countermeasures.

RS 21-083: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For A Grant In The Amount Of \$40,000 From The State Of Alaska, Department Of Health And Social Services, For The Implementation And Management Of Points Of Dispensing And Medical Countermeasures.

Attachments: [2021-OR-083](#)
[2021-RS-083](#)
[2021-IM-163](#)

[OR 21-084](#) An Ordinance To Accept And Appropriate Additional Disaster Relief Funds For Houston Middle School Temporary Relocation From Damages Sustained During The 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake.

RS 21-084: A Resolution Amending The Budget For Additional Disaster Relief Funds For Houston Middle School Temporary Relocation From Damages Sustained In The 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake.

Attachments: [2021-OR-084](#)
[2021-RS-084](#)
[2021-IM-164](#)

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three Minutes Per Person.)

D. CONSENT AGENDA

1. RESOLUTIONS

[RS 21-086](#) A Resolution Directing Staff To Assist The Glacier View Community In Updating The 2008 Glacier View Comprehensive Plan And 2006 Sheep Mountain Subdistrict Comprehensive Plan; And To Review And Update The Glacier View Special Land Use District.

Attachments: [2021-RS-086](#)
[2021-IM-169](#)

2. ACTION MEMORANDUMS

[AM 21-080](#) Requesting Approval To Extend Period Of Performance Under HDL Engineering Consultants LLC. Contract No. 21-087P To December 31, 2021, For The Talkeetna Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades - Phase 1 Project.

Attachments: [2021-AM-080](#)

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. VETO

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. INTRODUCTIONS (For Public Hearing 09/07/21, Assembly Chambers)

[OR 21-087](#) An Ordinance Reappropriating The Remaining Funds From Completed Projects To The Burma Road Historic Iditarod Trail Underpass Project.
RS 21-087: A Resolution Amending The Budget Of The Burma Road/Historic Iditarod Trail Underpass Project.

Attachments: [OR 21-087](#)
[RS 21-087](#)
[IM 21-170](#)

[OR 21-088](#) An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating \$7,590,192 In Disaster Supplement Funds From The United States Economic Development Administration, For The Installation Of Pile Sleeves On The Deep Draft Dock And A Roll On-Roll Off Cargo Ramp At Port Mackenzie.
RS 21-088: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For The United States Economic Development Administration, Disaster Supplement Funds.

Attachments: [OR 21-088](#)
[RS 21-088](#)
[IM 21-174](#)
[09/21/21 - McKee Reconsideration](#)

[OR 21-089](#) An Ordinance Accepting And Appropriating \$301,625 From The Alaska State Department Of Health And Social Services, For The Provision Of Critically Needed Essential Health And Social Services.
RS 21-089: A Resolution Approving The Scope Of Work And Budget For The Human Services Community Matching Grant Program.
RS 21-090: A Resolution Allocating Funding To Nonprofit Subgrantees For The Provision Of Critically Needed Essential Health And Social Services.

Attachments: [OR 21-089](#)
[RS 21-089](#)
[RS 21-090](#)
[IM 21-176](#)

B. MAYORAL NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. VACANCY REPORT

[21-171](#) Mayoral Requests for Confirmation

Attachments: [08/17/21 - 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

[OR 21-068](#) An Ordinance Approving The Land Classification Of Certain Borough-Owned Lands Proposed For Inclusion In The 2021 Competitive Sealed Bid Land Sale And Future Land Sales; And Classification Of A Parcel To Be Retained For Public Recreation Purpose.

Attachments: [OR 21-068](#)
[IM 21-137](#)
[08/17/21 - Reconsideration](#)

XII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, AND STAFF COMMENTS

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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