



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING (AMENDED)

Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 5:30 PM

MINUTES

Our Vision. To have an infrastructure and city workforce that supports a sustainable, diversified and growing economy. We will partner with others to achieve economic development and other common goals that assure a high quality of living, and excellence in education.

MEETING INFORMATION

Amended for time of meeting, type of meeting and content

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CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS / 5:30 p.m.

141 Main Street, Dillingham, AK 99576 (907) 842-5212

Call to Order

Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Roll Call

Council Members Bertram Luckhurst, Steven Carriere, Curt Armstrong (via Zoom), Kaleb Westfall, and Kevin McCambly were present. Mayor Alice Ruby also attended. Council Member Michael Bennett was absent. A quorum was established. (Council Member Westfall later left the meeting at 5:49 PM.)

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Council Member Carriere and seconded by Council Member Westfall. Council Member Westfall proposed an amendment to reorder agenda items and include the Cosgrove Report and manager reports. The amendment failed due to lack of a second.

A second amendment was then proposed by Council Member Westfall to reorder the ordinance and resolution and to add the Cosgrove Report as new business. This amendment was seconded by Council Member McCambly. The amendment failed on a 3–2 vote, with Council Members Armstrong, Westfall, and McCambly in favor, and Council Members Luckhurst and Carriere opposed.

The original agenda was then voted on and approved with three in favor (Carriere, Armstrong, Luckhurst) and two opposed (Westfall and McCambly). Council Member Bennett's absence

was counted as a “no” vote. Mayor Ruby cast the tie-breaking fourth vote in favor, and the motion carried.

Council Member Westfall formally objected to the meeting and left at 5:49 PM.

Citizen’s Discussion (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

Dan Boyd asked if the public would be allowed to comment on the Cosgrove Report at a future meeting. Mayor Ruby confirmed that citizens may speak on any topic during the Citizen’s Discussion section.

Special Business

Ordinance 2025-01: Council considered a motion to rescind the previous introduction of Ordinance 2025-01 (FY2025 City Budget). The motion was made by Council Member Carriere and seconded by Council Member Luckhurst. City Attorney Rob Palmer participated via Zoom to provide legal guidance. The motion passed with three votes in favor (Carriere, Armstrong, Luckhurst) and one opposed (McCambly). Council Members Westfall and Bennett were absent, and their votes were recorded as “no” per council procedure. Mayor Ruby cast the tie-breaking fourth vote in favor. The motion carried.

Ordinance 2025-01: Following the rescindment, a motion to reintroduce Ordinance 2025-01 was made by Council Member Carriere and seconded by Council Member Luckhurst. The motion passed unanimously among the four present members. The ordinance was reintroduced.

Resolution 2025-19: Council then considered Resolution 2025-19 to establish the tax levy rate. The motion was made by Council Member Carriere and seconded by Council Member Armstrong. There was no discussion. The resolution passed unanimously among the four members present.

Council Comments

Council Member McCambly acknowledged his absence from the previous meeting due to a family loss and requested a moment of silence. He also expressed criticism of the Cosgrove Report, calling it a “waste of money” and “targeted.” No other council members offered comments.

Mayor’s Comments

Mayor Ruby acknowledged the difficulty of the meeting and the broader challenges of the year. She stated her intent to bring forward ethics and training recommendations to the council in August. She requested a moment of silence in remembrance of community members lost since the last meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Alice Ruby at 6:06 PM.

Informational

The Cosgrove Report was included for informational purposes.

ATTEST:

Abigail Flynn, Acting City Clerk

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