



CODE REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 14, 2026 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

CODE REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

This meeting will also be available at the following online location: Zoom

Meeting ID: 920 483 0473; passcode: 99576

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at **5:30 PM**.

ROLL CALL

Present at roll call:

- Alice Ruby
- Kaleb Westfall
- Steve Carriere
- Jack Savo Jr.
- Abigail Flynn
- Kevin McCambly (Zoom)

Triston Chaney was absent at roll call and joined after at 5:32 PM.

Quorum Established

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes: 04/13/2026 Code Meeting

Motion: Alice Ruby moved to approve the April 13, 2026 Code Review Committee minutes with a correction on page 6 changing the names of the tribes listed in public comment.

Second: Abigail Flynn.

Vote: No objections.

Result: Minutes approved as corrected.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Alice Ruby moved to approve the agenda.

Second: Abigail Flynn.

Vote: Unanimous.

Result: Agenda approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Tribal Fee Simple Exemptions (discussion)

Topics Discussed

- Discussion regarding commercial improvements on tribal fee-simple land and whether they should remain taxable.
- Review of concerns raised by Choggiung and Ekwok tribal representatives at the previous meeting.
- Recommendation from the City Manager to retain the proposed language as drafted.
- Discussion regarding taxation of commercial improvements located on tribal fee-simple land.
- Desire to allow additional time before advancing the ordinance due to the fishing season and budget development activities.

Direction Given

- Bring the Tribal Fee Simple Exemptions ordinance to the August City Council meeting for introduction.
- No objections were raised.

3. O 2026-02 discussion and proposed resolution for public notice policy

- Staff directed to revise Ordinance 2026-02 incorporating wording changes suggested by Council Members McCambly and Westfall.
- Discussion included changing "must" and "shall" language, publication requirements, and legal review of revised wording.
- Submit revised language for legal review.
- Reintroduce the ordinance at the June City Council meeting.

4. Housing: Identify objectives (discussion)

Topics Discussed

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- Planning Director Chris Maines proposal to amend portions of DMC 5.30 rather than rewrite the entire chapter.
- Housing objectives and future code amendments.
- Need to address housing shortages without creating long-term City obligations.
- Future Planning Commission involvement.

Direction Given

- Planning Commission to continue development of targeted amendments.
- Item to return for future discussion.

5. Street Maintenance Ordinance (discussion)

Topics Discussed

- Need for a formal street inventory.
- Determining which roads are City-maintained.
- Road maintenance standards and liability concerns.
- Use of inventories for future grant eligibility.
- Coordination between Planning and Public Works.
- Historical road inventories and record retention.

Direction Given

- Planning Commission to review the proposal and provide feedback.
- Continue development of a road inventory framework.
- Return for future discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Propose Ordinance to make updates to 4.21 and 4.22

Topics Discussed

- SNAP terminology updates.
- Fish tax refund eligibility.
- Whether refunds can be verified when fish are delivered to multiple processors.
- Relationship between fish taxes, property taxes, and residency requirements.
- Potential impacts of future fish tax changes.

Direction Given

- Staff to research whether fish tax payments can be practically verified when fish are delivered through processors.
- Gather additional information and bring the item back in August.
- No action taken.

7. Next Meeting Date

- Tentatively schedule the next Code Review Committee meeting for **August 13, 2026**.

PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMITTEE COMMENTS

- Request for consistency in meeting minutes regarding the recording of late arrivals.
- Discussion regarding attendance notation and uniform treatment of attendance records across City meetings.

ADJOURNMENT at around 6:50 PM

ATTEST

Abigail Flynn, City Clerk

Approval Date

(SEAL)