## • Grants update:

- National League of Cities Advancing Economic Mobility Match AP&T for heat pump acquisition.
- *Update* All applicants have been paid 600.00 incentive per application. The grant is officially closed, and the final report was submitted. Council member Taylor and I participated in a presentation via Zoom with a final Rapid Grant Cohort Follow-Up Meeting. We received 18/20 surveys from participants (missing 2 from one person who installed two heat pumps) but still need to compile the data. There is a follow up convening in Chicago in October that NLC will fund, if we choose to participate.
- Compost Facility
- *No Update* We made it through the Threshold Review process which qualifies us to advance to the he Merit Review. After completion of the Merit Review process, the EPA will update us on the status and disposition of our application and any whether there are any next steps.

**DRC - Recycling Center** 

- *Update* Good news the Grant Agreement has <u>finally been approved</u>. The EPA Project Officer we have been working with at Region 10 decided to leave and now we have a new contact. We had a grant handoff meeting which generated several follow up (mostly administrative) questions and for which I am waiting on a response. There will also need to be an update to the documentation regarding the change in program officer. Now begins the work!
- o Good River Bridge Repair and Embankment Stabilization Project
- *Update* RESPEC was the sole bidder for engineering and project services. They provided an outstanding proposal. I met with their team while I was in Anchorage. Now we need to award them the contract. I am currently working on that process.

## • PIDP – Dock/Floats Protection

*Update* –The new deadline for submittal is September 10, 2025. We just met with ADOT on 7/8 to address briefly where we are at in the timeline. ADOT has a draft of the updated narrative and Scope and Sequence. They will submit to the federal dot contact for review. They received the indirect calculation letter they were waiting for to be able to update the budget. Jim Kearns is collecting data the boating community to use in the process. I am sending out requests for letters of support to include in the grant submittal.

## o FEMA – AFF Water Tender

*No Update* - Still researching various options for an alternative tender or whether we can get a waiver for the emissions controls.

## Septage Study

*Update* – We just received the 95% PER (Preliminary Engineering Report). This will be sent out to the community and posted on our website to solicit comments to provide to ADEC. We need to regroup with ADEC on next steps.

• Safe Streets for All (SS4A)

*No Update* – The grant agreement has now been submitted for legal review. We are still waiting to hear from Federal Highways grants staff.

- Xunaa Borough Update: Mayor will update on this.
- Continued dialogue with ADOT Commissioner Anderson: ...regarding using the ferry ramp to unload materials
  more easily and economically not much movement. Internet cell booster connected to the dock The cell
  booster details are mostly worked out. We recently had a Teams meeting with ADOT and ATS to go over technical
  and MOU details. I have signed a MOU with ADOT that will facilitate hooking up the booster at the dock. It is
  awaiting Commissioner Anderson's signature. DOT&PF will provide a Starlink connection, including the equipment
  and installation and we will be responsible for the AT&T cell booster installation and maintenance. If the signal
  strength ends up being too low once installed inside the building, we will need to procure and install an outdoor
  weather-resistant NEMA-rated enclosure. We hope this installation will occur sometime in August.
- **Roads** Roadwork continues GBC has completed the work to improve drainage at the south end of Wilson Road this week. They have been grading. Due to the public concern about the car counters that were recently placed around our roads, I solicited information to send to the public which Liesel recently published. We need to send out a reminder to the community regarding the Civil Work Permit process when working in city easements and in Right of Ways.
- A list of other items:
  - Continue to participate in weekly Infrastructure Office Hours and other related meetings and seminars, including discussions with ADOT on various projects
  - Responding to resident septage concerns
  - Work with Alaska Technical Solutions on various issues, including a site visit and the cell booster
  - Various HR matters including Public Services Librarian interview and hire, updates to employment status documents for City Administrator and Fire Chief, and updating Job Descriptions, Workshield contract and paperwork.
  - New fiscal year items, such as ongoing professional services contracts
  - Staff meeting Reviewed Employee Benefits Policy timekeeping, holidays. Leave accrual, etc.
  - Working with City Clerk to gather and collate comments to Same Old Road project proposal. We have been soliciting input from the stakeholders on the proposed ditch restoration project. Liesl will be adding those to the website. At some point we will have a meeting of the stakeholders.
  - The new gravel pit model is underway. There are still some accounting and reporting processes being worked out and we hope to have more information about this new process later in the year.
  - AFFF disposal of two containers still underway in contact with Shannon and Wilson for this process
- Any Council Questions or Comments?