



# **CITY OF GUSTAVUS CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING (RESCHEDULED GENERAL MEETING FROM 01-12-2026)**

Monday, January 19, 2026 at 7:00 PM  
Gustavus City Hall

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Mayor Sally McLaughlin  
Vice Mayor Lucas Beck  
Council Members: Renee Patrick,  
Justin Marchbanks, Karen Hutten,  
Jim Kearns, Mike Taylor

## **CITY HALL**

City Administrator – Kathy Leary  
City Clerk – Liesl Barker  
City Treasurer – Ben Sadler  
Phone: 907-697-2451  
[clerk@gustavus-ak.gov](mailto:clerk@gustavus-ak.gov)

## **AGENDA**

### **VIRTUAL MEETING INFORMATION**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89652740273>

**ID:** 896 5274 0273

**PASSCODE:** XXXXXXXX

**TEL:** 253-215-8782

### **ROLL CALL**

**Reading of the City of Gustavus Mission Statement**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **MAYOR'S REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES**

### **COMMITTEE / STAFF REPORTS**

1. Gustavus Volunteer Fire Department Quarterly Report
2. City Treasurer Monthly Report
3. City Administrator Monthly Report

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

4. FY26-XXNCO Introduction of An Ordinance providing for the amendment of the City Held Accounts in Fiscal Year 2026 - Closing Out Capital Project CP24-02 Same Old Road Drainage. (Public Hearing 02-09-2026)
5. Approve 2026 city council meeting schedule change due to holidays: reschedule September 7 work session to take place on Tuesday, September 8, at 6PM

### **ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

6. FY26-08NCO An Ordinance providing for the amendment of the City Held Accounts in Fiscal Year 2025 - Endowment Fund Transfer (Introduced 12-08-2025)
7. FY26-09NCO Ordinance Providing for the Amendment of the City Held Accounts in Fiscal Year 2026 - Closing Capital Project CP 26-01 New Council Computers (Introduced 12-08-2025)
8. FY26-10NCO Ordinance Providing for the Amendment of City Held Accounts in Fiscal Year 2026 for the Old Post Office Building Renovation Project Phase 2 (Introduced 12-08-2025)

9. FY26-11NCO Ordinance Providing for the Amendment of the City Held Accounts in Fiscal Year 2026 - Transferring Gravel Pit Funds to AMLIP Current Capital (Introduced 12-08-2025)

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

10. CY26-XX A Resolution Opposing the use of Heavy Fuel Oil by Vessels in Alaska Waters

11. Approve Job Description for Fire Chief

## **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

12. Mayor Monthly Report

13. AML Draft Report

## **CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**POSTED ON:** Month Day, 202X at P.O, Library, City Hall & <https://cms.gustavus-ak.gov/>

## **ADA NOTICE**

*Any person with a disability who requires accommodations in order to participate in this meeting should telephone the City Clerk's office at (907) 697-2451, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting in order to make a request for a disability related modification or accommodation.*

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The City of Gustavus is a distinctive Alaskan City that provides high quality public services in a thoughtful, cost effective and professional manner to sustain a safe, beautiful tolerant environment to live, work, and play with respect for individual freedom and each other.

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA  
ORDINANCE FY26-XXNCO**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF  
THE CITY HELD ACCOUNTS IN FISCAL YEAR 2026 – CLOSING OUT CAPITAL PROJECT  
CP24-02 SAME OLD ROAD DRAINAGE**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GUSTAVUS CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Classification. This is a **Non-Code Ordinance**

**Section 2.** For the Fiscal Year of 2026, the following City held account balance transfers are to be made for the reasons stated.

**Section 3.** For the current fiscal year, City held accounts are amended to reflect the changes as follows:

| CITY HELD ACCOUNTS  | Amounts                               |               | Amended Balance | Change |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------|
|   | Account Balance*                      |               |                 |        |
|   | *Approximate, this is a dynamic value |               |                 |        |
| CP24-02 Same Old Road Drainage<br><i>Transferring funds and closing out CP24-02</i>                                     | \$ 69,003.00                          | \$ 0.00       | \$ 69,003.00    |        |
| AMLIP Capital Improv Long-Term<br><i>This transfer will move funds from FNBA Checking to Capital Project Long Term.</i> | \$ 685,027.83                         | \$ 754,030.83 | \$ 69,003.00    |        |
| Total Change in City Held Account Balances  |                                       |               | \$ 0.00         |        |

**Section 4.** The City held accounts are hereby amended as indicated.

**Section 5.** Effective Date. This ordinance becomes effective upon its adoption by the Gustavus City Council.

**DATE INTRODUCED:** January 19, 2026

**DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING:** February 9, 2026

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** by the Gustavus City Council this XX day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Sally A McLaughlin, Mayor

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Attest: Ben Sadler, City Treasurer

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Attest: Liesl M. Barker, City Clerk

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA  
ORDINANCE FY26-08NCO**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF  
THE CITY HELD ACCOUNTS IN FISCAL YEAR 2026 -ENDOWMENT FUND TRANSFER**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GUSTAVUS CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Classification. This is a **Non-Code Ordinance**

**Section 2.** In Fiscal Year 2026, the following City held account balance transfers to be made for reasons stated.

**Section 3.** For the current fiscal year, City held accounts are amended to reflect the changes as follows:

| <b>Amounts</b>  |                         |                        |                |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| <b>ACCOUNTS</b>   | <b>Account Balance*</b> | <b>Amended balance</b> | <b>Change</b>  |
| <i>*Approximate, this is a dynamic value.</i>   |                         |                        |                |
| APCM – Endowment Account<br><i>2025 Endowment Funds for disbursement through grant application process.</i>   | \$ 1,179,812.55         | \$ 1,132,866.21        | <\$ 46,946.34> |
| FNBA Endowment Fund<br>Checking account<br><i>2025 Endowment Fund Grant Checking account for disbursement</i> | \$ 12,332.95            | \$ 59,279.29           | \$ 46,946.34   |
| <hr/> Total Change in Account Balances  |                         |                        | \$ 0.00        |

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**DATE INTRODUCED:** *December 8, 2025, 2025*

**DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING:** *January 19, 2026*

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** by the Gustavus City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Sally A McLaughlin, Mayor

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Attest: Ben P Sadler, City Treasurer

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Attest: Morgan E. Peterson-Park, Acting Clerk

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA  
ORDINANCE FY26-09NCO**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF  
THE CITY HELD ACCOUNTS IN FISCAL YEAR 2026 –  
CLOSING CAPITAL PROJECT CP26-01 NEW COUNCIL COMPUTERS**

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| CP26-01 New Council Computers<br><i>Transferring funds and closing out CP26-01</i>   | \$ 2,968.80                           | \$ 0.00       | \$ 2,968.80     |        |
| AMLIP Capital Improv Long-Term<br><i>This transfer will move funds from FNBA Checking to Capital Improvements Long Term.</i> | \$ 685,027.83                         | \$ 687,996.63 | \$ 2,968.80     |        |
| Total Change in City Held Account Balances   |                                       |               | \$ 0.00         |        |

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Attest: Morgan E. Peterson-Park, Acting Clerk

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA  
ORDINANCE FY26-11NCO**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF  
THE CITY HELD ACCOUNTS IN FISCAL YEAR 2026 - TRANSFERRING GRAVEL PIT  
FUNDS TO AMLIP CURRENT CAPITAL**

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| FNBA Checking   | \$ 521,241.70                         | \$ 484,941.70   | \$ 36,300.00 |
| Transferring gravel pit funds to AMLIP Current Capital until needed to pay for City gravel. |                                       |                 |              |
| AMLIP Capital Improv Current  | \$ 302,626.54                         | \$ 338,926.54   | \$ 36,300.00 |
| This transfer will move funds from FNBA Checking to AMLIP Capital Current Improvements.     |                                       |                 |              |
| Total Change in City Held Account Balances  |                                       |                 | \$ 0.00      |

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**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION CY26-XX**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA, OPPOSING THE USE OF  
HEAVY FUEL OIL BY VESSELS IN ALASKA WATERS**

**WHEREAS**, a healthy marine environment supports the health and wellbeing of Alaska's residents by providing access to marine resources that are a cornerstone of our food security and healthy diet, including salmon, halibut, crab, and other species; and

**WHEREAS**, the ability of Alaskans to live close to the land and waters and to harvest, hunt, and subsist in a healthy and productive environment is a core Alaska value; and

**WHEREAS**, a healthy marine environment also provides many key economic opportunities, including commercial fisheries, the recreation industry, and tourism; and

**WHEREAS**, we Alaskans, as stewards of our natural environment, are responsible for passing on a healthy place to future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, most large cruise ships operating in Southeast Alaska's waters typically burn approximately 45,000 gallons of fuel daily for propulsion, primarily heavy fuel oil (HFO), a viscous residue from the refining of crude oil and the cheapest and dirtiest fuel oil sold in North America; and

**WHEREAS**, HFO contains high concentrations of metals, long-chain hydrocarbons, and sulfur; and

**WHEREAS**, to minimize air pollution, the engine exhaust from cruise ships burning HFO is "scrubbed" by spraying it with a mist of saltwater, and this saltwater, with its pollutants, is discharged overboard; and

**WHEREAS**, HFO pollution can be avoided by using cleaner fuel that is carried aboard cruise ships for use in locations where they cannot burn HFO, such as in Glacier Bay; and

**WHEREAS**, immediately after leaving Glacier Bay and entering Icy Strait, cruise ships may revert to burning heavy fuel oil and discharging scrubber wastewater; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California prohibits the burning of heavy fuel oil in its marine waters, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gustavus, Alaska, opposes the discharge of pollutants into Alaska waters; and

**WHEREAS**, burning cleaner fuel is protective of our environment and the long-term health of our communities and economy; and

**WHEREAS**, switching to cleaner fuel while in Alaska waters does not pose an undue economic burden on the cruise industry and is estimated to cost about \$25 per passenger on a week-long cruise; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Gustavus, Alaska, calls on the shipping and cruise ship industries to end the use of heavy fuel oil and the discharge of scrubber wastewater in all of Alaska's marine waters; and

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Gustavus, Alaska, calls on the State of Alaska to prohibit the use of heavy fuel oil and exhaust scrubbers in Alaska state waters.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** by the Gustavus City Council this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2026.

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