

Session 20-03 a Special Meeting of the Homer City Council was called to order on February 3, 2020 by Mayor Ken Castner at 4:00 p.m. at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: ADERHOLD, HANSEN-CAVASOS, LORD, SMITH,
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TELEPHONIC:COUNCILMEMBER EVENSEN

STAFF: CITY MANAGER KOESTER
DEPUTY CITY CLERK KRAUSE
DEPUTY HARBORMASTER CLARKE
PERSONNEL DIRECTOR BROWNING
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER POOLOS

City Council agreed by Consensus to allow Councilmember Evensen to participate telephonically.

AGENDA APPROVAL

City Council approved the agenda by Consensus.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

PENDING BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Review of City Manager Applications and Selection of Applicants to Schedule for Telephonic Interviews

Mayor Castner inquired if there was Consensus among Council to select applicants from the three sections starting with Section C first then each proceeding Section to discuss further.

There was a brief discussion on extending the application period since there was some concern expressed on the lack of qualified applicants in the number of applications received. There was consensus against that idea at this time with Councilmembers expressing that there were several candidates that deserved a further review and that they can re-open the application period if Council did not find suitable applicants from the applications received.

Mayor Castner then requested Council to select candidates from each section for further discussion and consideration.

The following candidates were nominated by consensus of the Council from Section C:

- Curtis Wilson
- Jeffrey Barker

The following candidates were selected by Council from Section B:

- Jefferson Dubel
- Michael Klimmish
- Michael Bork

Mayor Castner then requested the top candidates from Section A from each Councilmember:

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| - Randy Robertson | - Adam Hammatt |
| - Cynthia Northrup | - Abul Hassan |
| - George Zoukee | - Susanna Stinnett |

Councilmember Evensen disconnected at 4:11 p.m. Several attempts were made to connect with Councilmember Evensen by Staff. It was determined that the teleconference line was working appropriately and that connection issues were on the other end at Councilmember Evensen's location.

City Council and Mayor Castner discussed the various attributes of the Section A candidates and the process to reducing the candidates. Council moved a couple of members to the alternate group for various reasons. The listing below represents the candidates that were identified as top tier and it was agreed to reduce from that listing to the next phase of telephone interviews:

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| - Randy Robertson | - Abul Hassan |
| - Cynthia Northrup | - Susanna Stinnett |
| - Adam Hammatt | - George Zoukee |

Discussion ensued on each candidate in alphabetical order and using the scoring process City Council refined the list to the following candidates for telephonic interviews:

- Adam Hammatt
- Cynthia Northrup
- Randy Robertson
- George Zoukee
- Michael Bork

Personnel Director Browning provided clarification on the telephone interview process and background/reference check process. These would be available for the face to face interviews.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Castner thanked everyone for their input. He also extended his appreciation for Deputy Harbormaster Clarke and Personnel Director Browning attending the meeting.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Koester reminded the Councilmembers that they would be providing Personnel Director Browning interview questions and she will then have a draft of those questions compiled for the packet for Monday, February 10, 2020.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY CLERK

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council Mayor Castner adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m. The next Regular Meeting is Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., Committee of the Whole at 5:00 p.m. There will be Special Meetings at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 and Friday, February 14, 2020. All meetings scheduled to be held in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

Renee Krause, MMC, Deputy City Clerk

Approved: _____