

November 30, 2023

Ms. Denise Koch
Director, Engineering & Public Works
City and Borough of Juneau
155 S. Seward St.
Juneau AK 99801

Dear Ms. Koch,

I am writing today to provide formal input on behalf of the Bartlett Regional Hospital Board of Directors regarding the FY2025 CBJ Legislative Capital Priority List.

The Board's top legislative capital priority is a \$2 million request in support of our planned Emergency Department renovation and expansion project. As this is a new request, a nomination for this request was completed using the CBJ provided form and has been reviewed and approved by the full Board of Directors.

Additionally, the draft priority list that was circulated via email on October 20, 2023, included a prior-year \$4 million request to support the completion of the Bartlett Aurora Behavioral Health Center construction. The Board requests that this project be removed from consideration for the FY2025 CBJ Legislative Capital Priority List, as the project has been completed and is no longer a top capital priority.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment and input for Bartlett's capital priorities. If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this request, please contact Bartlett's Executive Director of Business Development and Strategy, Nate Rumsey, at 907-796-8678 or nrumsey@bartletthospital.org.

With Warmest Regards,



Kenny Solomon-Gross
Board President
Bartlett Regional Hospital

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Page 2: Project Eligibility

Q1 Yes

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Q2 Yes

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Q3 Yes

Will the project provide broad community benefit?

Page 3: Project Information

Q4

Project Title (Please ensure title is consistent with other CBJ plans and documents.)

Bartlett ED Renovation/Expansion

Q5

Brief Project Summary (1-2 sentences)

This project will expand the footprint of the existing ED, and renovate existing ED spaces, to improve patient access, patient flow, and patient and employee safety. Renovations will increase patient privacy, while mechanical and electrical upgrades will allow for new negative pressure exam space.

Q6

Physical Location of Project

Bartlett Regional Hospital Emergency Department (main building).

Q7

Detailed Project Description Benefit(In 300 words or less, describe the project, including specific features, stages of construction, etc. Explain how the project will benefit the community. What sector/s of the community will this project benefit? Are there any green or sustainability elements to the project?)

This project will benefit the community by improving access, quality, and efficiency measures in the only Emergency Department in Juneau. Patients will have access to safer care, while improved space adjacencies will help ensure patients get to the appropriate level of care in a more efficient and timely manner. With other recent improvements in Bartlett's healthcare portfolio, including expanded behavioral health services and the additional of post-acute services, this project will improve medical care to the community across the healthcare continuum.

Q8

Project Plans and ProgressIn one or two paragraphs, describe what has been accomplished so far (if anything). This may include a feasibility study, conceptual design, final design/engineering/permitting, fundraising activities, and/or total funds raised to date.

This project is currently in the conceptual design stage with CBJ Engineering and Architects of Alaska. Bartlett has approximately \$4M set aside for this project, and has a \$4M Congressional Directed Spending request for the FY24 federal budget year. We requested \$2M in funding from the Denali Commission and we're not selected this year. We plan to submit our request again next year and are optimistic about our chances for success. We anticipate that the total project cost will be in the \$10-12M range.

Q9

Project SupportIs the project supported in CBJ or other Area plans? If so, list where the project is mentioned in planning documents. This could include CBJ plans such as the Comprehensive Plan, or regional planning documents like the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

This project is not specifically listed in CBJ or other Area plans.

Q10

Goal(s) of ProjectIn one sentence or less, state the goal of the proposed project. For example, "economic development" or "improve non-motorized transportation routes."

The goal of this project is to improve access to, and the quality of emergency medical care in the community.

Q11

Operations & Maintenance (O&M)Who is responsible for operations and maintenance upon completion of the project?

Bartlett will be responsible for the O&M of the completed project.

Q12

Total Project Cost*Include funds already secured and future funds required to complete.

\$10-12M

Q13

Funding Already SecuredInclude amount and source - example: "\$250,000 - 1% voter approved sales tax." Enter \$0 in the first line if there is no funding secured for the project.

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| 1 | \$4M - Bartlett reserves |
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Q14

Proposed FY2025 Funding Request

\$2M

Q15

No

Future Funding May Be RequestedDo you anticipate making future funding requests for this project?

Q16

Preconstruction Costs (feasibility/design/permitting, etc.):FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

\$1M

Q17

Construction Costs:FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

\$8-10M

Q18

Respondent skipped this question

For projects that consist of land or equipment purchase only, state when the purchase(s) would be made.

Q19

Preconstruction phase to be completed by:FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

Spring, 2024

Q20

Construction phase to be completed by: FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

Fall, 2025

Q21

Respondent skipped this question

Attachment 1Please upload any relevant photos, drawings, maps, or charts or images. You can also email any/all attachments to ashley.heimbigner@juneau.gov.

Q22

Respondent skipped this question

Attachment 2Please upload any relevant photos, drawings, maps, or charts or images. You can also email any/all attachments to ashley.heimbigner@juneau.gov.

Q23

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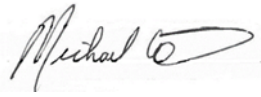
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Planning Commission

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November 30, 2023

From: Michael LeVine, Chair, Planning Commission 
To: Denise Koch, Director, Engineering & Public Works
RE: Legislative Priority List

BACKGROUND

The Planning Commission was asked to review projects from the FY 2025 CBJ Capital Priority List and to nominate priorities. The Planning Commission discussed this issue at two regular meetings and has identified three priorities:

- 1) Second Channel Crossing
- 2) Lemon Creek Multimodal Path
- 3) Deferred Maintenance

The Planning Commission recognizes that the projects are of disparate scales: the Lemon Creek Path and Deferred Maintenance projects could be implemented quickly with state and local support; the Second Channel Crossing is a major infrastructure project that will require years of planning and construction, and will need federal support. However, the Second Channel Crossing holds the greatest potential for sustainable economic growth and safety improvements for our community, and it must be continuously prioritized.

Second Channel Crossing

Some funding has been procured for this project, and the Commission encourages the City to continue to raise money. The link will provide redundancy, emergency access, development, and recreational opportunities. Each one of these items is sufficient reason to construct the crossing, and it will provide for all of them.

Lemon Creek Multimodal Path

The CBJ Assembly has emphasized development of area plans. The Lemon Creek Multimodal Path is a priority of the 2017 Lemon Creek Area Plan. The area lacks a comprehensive non-motorized

route. This type of project has been completed in other areas of the Borough, yet Lemon Creek has been left as the void between them. Completing this project would demonstrate the Assembly's commitment to the area plan process and provide interconnection between areas within the Borough.

Deferred Maintenance Fund

While not as glamorous as new projects, completion of deferred maintenance for existing infrastructure is of equal importance. CBJ departments have worked with budgets that allow for completion of some required maintenance, while being forced to defer additional needed work for lack of funds. Reaching out for a one-time additional funding would allow for CBJ to complete additional work that has been waitlisted. In turn, completing the required maintenance will extend the useful life of the infrastructure, thereby delaying the need for more costly replacement projects. We understand that this issue was not on the existing list and raise it, again, to express our continued support.

From: [Carl Uchtyl](#)
To: [Denise Koch](#)
Cc: [Matthew Sill](#); [Ashley Heimbigner](#)
Subject: RE: DRAFT CBJ FY25 Legislative Priorities List - Seeking Input by December 1st
Date: Friday, December 1, 2023 3:59:14 PM
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Denise –
Correct.
Thank you,
Carl

Carl Uchtyl, P.E.
Port Director
City & Borough of Juneau

From: Denise Koch <Denise.Koch@juneau.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2023 3:53 PM
To: Carl Uchtyl <Carl.Uchtyl@juneau.gov>; Ashley Heimbigner <Ashley.Heimbigner@juneau.gov>
Cc: Matthew Sill <Matthew.Sill@juneau.gov>
Subject: RE: DRAFT CBJ FY25 Legislative Priorities List - Seeking Input by December 1st

Hi Carl.

Thanks for getting these recommendations back to us. Please confirm that the “Statter Harbor Wave Attenuator” project is the same as the “Auke Bay New Breakwater” project listed in the draft Legislative Capital Priorities.

Sincerely,
Denise

Denise Koch

Director, Engineering & Public Works

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From: Carl Uchytel <Carl.Uchytel@juneau.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2023 3:44 PM
To: Ashley Heimbigner <Ashley.Heimbigner@juneau.gov>
Cc: Denise Koch <Denise.Koch@juneau.gov>; Matthew Sill <Matthew.Sill@juneau.gov>
Subject: RE: DRAFT CBJ FY25 Legislative Priorities List - Seeking Input by December 1st

Ashley –

At last night's [Docks & Harbors Board meeting](#) the following motion was approved:

THAT THE ASSEMBLY CONSIDER AURORA HARBOR IV AND STATTER HARBOR WAVE ATTENUATOR PROJECTS AS DOCKS & HARBORS LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY PROJECTS.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Sincerely,

Carl

Carl Uchytel, P.E.

Port Director

City & Borough of Juneau

From: Ashley Heimbigner <Ashley.Heimbigner@juneau.gov>
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2023 10:09 AM
Cc: Denise Koch <Denise.Koch@juneau.gov>
Subject: RE: DRAFT CBJ FY25 Legislative Priorities List - Seeking Input by December 1st

Good Morning Chairs and Staff for CBJ Boards and Commissions,

Thank you to all that have submitted their comments regarding the CBJ FY25 Legislative Capital Priorities List. As a reminder, board and commission comments are requested by **Friday, December 1** for inclusion in the materials submitted to the Assembly for consideration as part of the list ranking process.

Please email Denise Koch and I with your comments and any questions you may have.

Many thanks,

Ashley

Ashley Heimbigner | Grants Manager

[Engineering & Public Works](#) | City & Borough of Juneau, AK

Location: 230 S. Franklin Street, 3rd Floor Marine View Building

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From: Denise Koch <Denise.Koch@juneau.gov>

Sent: Friday, October 20, 2023 2:45 PM

Cc: Ashley Heimbigner <Ashley.Heimbigner@juneau.gov>

Subject: DRAFT CBJ FY25 Legislative Priorities List - Seeking Input by December 1st

Dear Chairs and Staff for CBJ Boards and Commissions,

Your board or commission is invited to comment on CBJ's Annual Legislative Capital Priorities list.

Comment is not mandatory. However your board or commission may have an interest in weighing in on a project that is particularly important to the interests you represent. Please send any comments to me and Ashley Heimbigner by December 1, 2023. Comments should reflect the will of the body and be officially adopted in a public meeting. Any board and commission comments will be shared with the Assembly in advance of that body ranking and adopting a final list.

Thank you in advance for your participation. Please e-mail Ashley or me with any questions on the process.

Sincerely,
Denise Koch

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Eaglecrest Ski Area

Memo

To: Public Works Director, Denise Kock & Systemic Racism Review Committee

From: Dave Scanlan, Eaglecrest General Manager

Date: December 8th 2023

Subject: Eaglecrest Board Action on Legislative Grant Project Submission

Eaglecrest Board of Directors

Action taken during the December 7th 2023 monthly meeting

Please find below the motions that were made regarding the Legislative Grant Project Submissions. The Eaglecrest Board feels strongly that support of the Juneau Douglas Second Crossing will be an important component that will allow more affordable entry level housing to be constructed at Eaglecrest or anywhere on Douglas Island. Eaglecrest intends to add more employment opportunities and will need affordable housing to recruit more employees from within and out of Juneau. These are the reasons that the Board has made the priority one Legislative Grant to be a pledge of full support for the Juneau Douglas Second Crossing. The second priority is the construction of an onsite Employee Dormitory.

Motion by Eaglecrest Board to list the Priority One Project for State Legislative Grants Program to be the Second Crossing Project.

Norton Gregory made the motion: The Eaglecrest Board expresses their support for the Juneau Douglas Second Crossing as the Board knows that the Second Crossing will not only benefit Eaglecrest but the citizens and users of Eaglecrest and North Douglas by providing easier access to the residents that live in the Mendenhall Valley, Auke Bay and out the road. This is the Eaglecrest Board's number one priority project.

Motion for secondary priority project submission on Employee Housing.

Norton Gregory made the motion: I move that the Eaglecrest Board express support and submit our Employee Housing Dormitory project to the Legislative Grant Program as the priority 2 submission.

Respectfully,
Dave Scanlan
General Manager
Eaglecrest Ski Area

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Page 2: Project Eligibility

Q1 Yes

Does the proposed project represent a major, nonrecurring expense with a total project cost over \$1M?

Q2 Yes

Will the proposed project result in a fixed asset (land, major equipment, building or other structure, road or trail) with an anticipated lifespan of at least twenty years?

Q3 Yes

Will the project provide broad community benefit?

Page 3: Project Information

Q4

Project Title (Please ensure title is consistent with other CBJ plans and documents.)

Eaglecrest Employee and Tourism Workforce Housing

Q5

Brief Project Summary (1-2 sentences)

Eaglecrest wishes to develop onsite workforce housing to assist with recruitment and retention of summer and winter Employees. Possibilities will exist for other summer tourism or service industry workers to be housed.

Q6

Physical Location of Project

3000 Fish Creek Road

Q7

Detailed Project Description Benefit(In 300 words or less, describe the project, including specific features, stages of construction, etc. Explain how the project will benefit the community. What sector/s of the community will this project benefit? Are there any green or sustainability elements to the project?)

As the labor market tightens and finding entry level service and ski area workers becomes increasingly difficult, the availability of housing will be critical to meeting our staffing needs. For the winter season Eaglecrest has currently filled 25 beds in the UAS Banfield Dormitory to help meet our staffing needs. The Eaglecrest Manager participated in the JEDC Visitor Products Working Group's Workforce Housing Subcommittee. Northwind Architects was contracted to develop the designs and cost estimates for a 96 bedroom modular workforce housing unit that could be located and expanded upon at Eaglecrest. Affordable work force housing located at Eaglecrest will help to attract the next generation of residents to Juneau that will help to keep our community's demographics balanced. Ski Areas around the world anchor mountain town economies.

Q8

Project Plans and ProgressIn one or two paragraphs, describe what has been accomplished so far (if anything). This may include a feasibility study, conceptual design, final design/engineering/permitting, fundraising activities, and/or total funds raised to date.

Eaglecrest will be embarking on an update to their long range master plan over the next year that will outline summer and winter recreation expansion and incorporate a master plan housing development. A comprehensive Eaglecrest Housing Development plan was performed in 1983. With the current need for affordable work force housing the timing to revisit this plan is now. Site specific engineering will need to be performed using the current preliminary engineered design for the modular dormitory as a jumping off point.

Q9

Project SupportIs the project supported in CBJ or other Area plans? If so, list where the project is mentioned in planning documents. This could include CBJ plans such as the Comprehensive Plan, or regional planning documents like the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

Two of the top priorities of the Assembly for the rest of FY 24 and going into FY 25 is affordable housing and tourism management. This employee housing dormitory will be a first step toward achieving these goals. Continued investment into the Eaglecrest Gondola project by ways of investing in our most valuable asset, our workers, will not only help Eaglecrest to be successful in disbursing our summer cruise visitors but it will also support the growth of winter tourism economy that can support the conversion of summer tourism and service industry workers into more stable year around employment opportunities.

Comprehensive Plan Chapter 5 speaks to growth of winter tourism and developing Public Private Partnerships. Chapter 5.6-SOP4 "Develop Eaglecrest as a year-round local and regional recreation and tourist facility." Comprehensive Plan Chapter 9: Parks, Recreation, Trails and Natural Area Resources, Opening Narrative: "The Eaglecrest Ski Area, located on Douglas Island, is an important winter recreational resource to many Juneau Families. The management of the facility is seeking ways to provide year-round recreational activities for residents and visitors to make more efficient use of its resources. The Capital Improvement Program Six-Year Plan includes a prioritized listing of Parks and Recreation, Eaglecrest, and Centennial Hall Projects. Funding is provided primarily through the CBJ budget, with occasional state funding through the legislative process. Other sources of funding should continue to be pursued."

Q10

Goal(s) of ProjectIn one sentence or less, state the goal of the proposed project. For example, "economic development" or "improve non-motorized transportation routes."

Increase recruitment and retention while helping to manage our growth in tourism

Q11

Operations & Maintenance (O&M)Who is responsible for operations and maintenance upon completion of the project?

Eaglecrest will perform Operation and Maintenance. At 50% occupancy Eaglecrest will generate \$288,000 in revenue to pay for O&M.

Page 4: Project Funding & Timeline

Q12

Total Project Cost*Include funds already secured and future funds required to complete.

\$12,000,000 See attached cost estimate prepared by Northwind Architects. Cost estimate is for two buildings. Eaglecrest is requesting funds for construction of one.

Q13

Funding Already SecuredInclude amount and source - example: "\$250,000 - 1% voter approved sales tax." Enter \$0 in the first line if there is no funding secured for the project.

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Q14

Proposed FY2025 Funding Request

\$12,000,000

Q15

Yes

Future Funding May Be RequestedDo you anticipate making future funding requests for this project?

Q16

Preconstruction Costs (feasibility/design/permitting, etc.):FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

\$500,000

Q17

Construction Costs:FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

\$11,500,000

Q18

Respondent skipped this question

For projects that consist of land or equipment purchase only, state when the purchase(s) would be made.

Q19

Preconstruction phase to be completed by:FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

5/2025

Q20

Construction phase to be completed by: FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

10/2025

Q21

Attachment 1Please upload any relevant photos, drawings, maps, or charts or images. You can also email any/all attachments to ashley.heimbigner@juneau.gov.

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Attachment 2Please upload any relevant photos, drawings, maps, or charts or images. You can also email any/all attachments to ashley.heimbigner@juneau.gov.

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Q24

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DATE: December 8, 2023
TO: Chair Froehlich and Systemic Racism Review Committee
FROM: Denise Koch, Engineering & Public Works Director
SUBJECT: FY2025 Draft Legislative Capital Priorities: JCOA Recommendations

Comments from Dr. Emily Kane, Chair of the Juneau Commission on Aging (JCOA), in response to CBJ's request for comments on the FY25 CBJ Legislative Capital Priorities list are provided on the following page.

Staff reviewed the minutes from the JCOA November 21st meeting. Per those minutes, it does not appear that these recommendations were discussed during a JCOA public meeting.

From: [Emily Kane](#)
To: [Ashley Heimbigner](#)
Cc: [Denise Koch](#); [Katie Koester](#); [Waahlaal Giidaak](#)
Subject: Re: CBJ FY25 Legislative Priorities List
Date: Monday, November 27, 2023 4:21:27 PM
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Thank you for accepting input from the Juneau Commission on Aging.

We would appreciate having some of our top priorities to allow for ongoing high quality of life for seniors in Juneau, and Alaska, be presented to both the state and federal delegates for budget considerations.

Is it possible to work up a budget to create a new city hall independent of municipal taxation which would include a comfortable, attractive and senior friendly Senior Center built with universal design principles? I'm envisioning a fitness area (pickle ball court, weight room with a few spin bikes, showers) that would be available to CBJ staff as well during certain hours. Also a small to medium auditorium for lectures, concerts and movies. Eventually the Senior Officer which JCOA has stated as a priority new staff position to be embedded within CBJ would be housed in this facility along with the rest of city staff.

I'm hoping the clear need for a new city hall where city services are centralized in a sustainably heated building might get more traction if a senior center were attached.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely

Emily Kane

Chair, JCOA

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Be good to yourself :)

On Nov 27, 2023, at 10:09 AM, Ashley Heimbigner
<Ashley.Heimbigner@juneau.gov> wrote:

Good Morning Chairs and Staff for CBJ Boards and Commissions,

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Please email Denise Koch and I with your comments and any questions you may have.

Many thanks,

Ashley

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Sent: Friday, October 20, 2023 2:45 PM

Cc: Ashley Heimbigner <Ashley.Heimbigner@juneau.gov>

Subject: DRAFT CBJ FY25 Legislative Priorities List - Seeking Input by December 1st

Dear Chairs and Staff for CBJ Boards and Commissions,

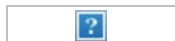
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Thank you in advance for your participation. Please e-mail Ashley or me with any questions on the process.

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November 6, 2023

To: Denise Koch, Director, CBJ Engineering & Public Works

From: Gretchen Keiser, Chair, Juneau Commission on Sustainability

Subject: FY 2025 CBJ Legislative Priorities

The Juneau Commission on Sustainability (JCOS) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the City and Borough of Juneau FY2025 Legislative Priorities. As JCOS observed this time last year, we believe it is important to maintain some flexibility when identifying important capital projects so that CBJ can secure some of the massive federal funds under the Inflation Reduction Act and the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act. In addition to the projects identified in the draft FY2025 Legislative Priorities list, billions of dollars are becoming available under grant programs for projects that address energy efficiency, GHG reduction, air pollution reduction, equity, and climate resilience.

JCOS continues to strongly support the following projects that it identified last year:

- **Electrification of the 16B Dock and urges you to put this project back on the list.** In 2023, CBJ Docks & Harbors has been investigating vendors who could provide the components necessary to bring shore power to the docks. Although the Assembly endorsed shore power in 2022 with potential bonding and marine passenger fee as revenue sources, project costs have escalated substantially. A ballpark figure is now \$40M for the two docks. Placing this project on the FY25 Legislative Priority list demonstrates Juneau's commitment to shore power and enhances opportunities to obtain State funding, now that the Governor's Energy Security Task Force has supported shore power. And there are also opportunities for federal funding.
- **Municipal Composting Facility Design & Construction.** \$4.0M. JCOS encourages you to retain this project on the FY25 priorities list. It would enable substantive progress on Juneau's solid waste diversion efforts to extend the life of the community's existing landfill. Although CBJ was unsuccessful this year in obtaining EPA grant funding, identifying this as a community priority in FY25 list will help CBJ in next year's competitive grant cycle.

In addition, JCOS supports the following project which appears on the current year's list and should remain a high priority on the FY25 list:

- **Juneau School District-wide HVAC and Heating Control System Upgrades. \$6.4M.**
Prioritizing this JSD project accomplishes three things:
 - 1) places it on the State of AK/Legislature radar for consideration under the limited State capital funding targeting school maintenance;
 - 2) highlights this project as a community priority that is useful for seeking federal clean energy funding, such as the *Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Improvements at Public School Facilities* under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law;¹ and
 - 3) directly addresses the substantial energy usage in Juneau's schools (as noted in the *Juneau Energy Use & GHG Inventory 2021* study completed this year).

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.

¹ For example, this Dept of Energy competitive grant program awarded the Fairbanks School District funds in 2023 to conduct a complete energy efficiency upgrade to one of its schools.



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DATE: December 8, 2023
TO: Chair Froehlich and Systemic Racism Review Committee
FROM: Denise Koch, Engineering & Public Works Director
SUBJECT: FY2025 Draft Legislative Capital Priorities: Juneau Board of Education Recommendations

In lieu of a formal letter from the Juneau Board of Education regarding the FY25 CBJ Legislative Capital Priorities list, please see the following correspondence with Stacey Poulson and Frank Hauser of the Juneau School District (JSD). The email correspondence notes JSD and Juneau Board of Education support for the following two projects.

- JSD-Wide HVAC and Heating Control System Upgrades
- JSD-Wide Security and Safety Upgrades projects

The Joint Assembly/JSD Facilities Committee also formally voted in favor of supporting these two projects during their meeting on December 6, 2023.

From: [Poulson, Stacey](#)
To: [Ashley Heimbigner](#)
Cc: [Frank Hauser](#); [Denise Koch](#)
Subject: Re: Legislative Priorities project submittals for the Juneau School District
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:58:43 PM

Hello,

We are reusing the same two applications that we used last year which did go before the full board. The agreement to resubmit was decided on in a Facilities Committee meeting - I am not sure if it also went before the full board again - but I can check. I can hunt down the agendas if you need them.

Thank you,
Stacey

On Mon, Dec 4, 2023 at 4:24 PM Ashley Heimbigner <Ashley.Heimbigner@juneau.gov> wrote:

Hi Stacey,

Can you confirm whether these project priorities were shared with and/or endorsed by the Juneau School Board? We just want to be sure we are communicating the correct origin of the recommendations.

Thanks again,

Ashley

From: Ashley Heimbigner
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2023 4:31 PM
To: Poulson, Stacey <stacey.poulson@juneauschools.org>; Frank Hauser <frank.hauser@juneauschools.org>
Cc: Denise Koch <Denise.Koch@juneau.gov>
Subject: RE: Legislative Priorities project submittals for the Juneau School District

Thank you, Stacey. We will get back to you early next week if we have any questions or requests for additional information.

Have a great weekend,

Ashley

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Sent: Friday, December 1, 2023 4:14 PM

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Subject: Legislative Priorities project submittals for the Juneau School District

Hello Ashley,

My supervisor Cassee Olin quit on Monday of this week, so I am not sure if she already submitted our projects or not. I have met with Superintendent Frank Hauser and our Maintenance Supervisor Mark Ibias to revise and submit the two attached projects. I apologize for the late email and hope that we have met all of the requirements for submission. Please let me know if I have missed anything.

Thank you,

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TO: City & Borough Assembly
FROM: Christopher Mertl, Chair, Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
CC: George Schaaf, Director, Parks & Recreation Department
DATE: December 4, 2023
RE: FY2024 Legislative Priorities – Parks & Recreation

The Engineering & Public Works Department requested input from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) regarding the CBJ's FY2024 Legislative Priorities. The PRAC received information about this process at its October meeting, and made the following recommendation at its November 1, 2022 meeting:

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee recommends that the City & Borough of Juneau pursue state and federal funding for the following projects in FY24, in order of priority:

- 1) OHV Park Development
- 2) Jackie Renninger Park
- 3) Lemon Creek Multimodal Path
- 4) New Community Center

The PRAC appreciates the consideration of this CIP request and the funding of community priority parks, trails, and recreation facilities projects.

CHRIS MERTL, CHAIR

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Page 2: Project Eligibility

Q1 Yes

Does the proposed project represent a major, nonrecurring expense with a total project cost over \$1M?

Q2 Yes

Will the proposed project result in a fixed asset (land, major equipment, building or other structure, road or trail) with an anticipated lifespan of at least twenty years?

Q3 Yes

Will the project provide broad community benefit?

Page 3: Project Information

Q4

Project Title (Please ensure title is consistent with other CBJ plans and documents.)

Capital City Community Center

Q5

Brief Project Summary (1-2 sentences)

This project, proposed by the CBJ Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, would construct a multipurpose building to support diverse indoor activities for children, adults, families and senior citizens. The planned facility will support lifelong fitness through activities like pickleball, tai chi, and yoga, as well as an indoor rock climbing gym to support this growing community of users. It also could support a centralized shop for CBJ Facilities Maintenance, a satellite library, and/or a new fire station.

Q6**Physical Location of Project**

The ideal location for this project would be in Midtown / Lemon Creek. Potential sites include CBJ-owned property on Jackie Street near Dzanitiki Heeni Middle School, on Shaune Dr. near Charles Way, or adjacent to the Juneau Police Department.

Q7

Detailed Project Description Benefit(In 300 words or less, describe the project, including specific features, stages of construction, etc. Explain how the project will benefit the community. What sector/s of the community will this project benefit? Are there any green or sustainability elements to the project?)

At a minimum, the facility would consist of a metal structure at least 20,000 square feet, including 10,000 square feet dedicated to courts and gym space, and a 7,500-square-foot climbing gym. Future phases of construction could include a satellite library, fire station, and shop for CBJ Facilities Maintenance. The project will specifically benefit Juneau's growing population of elders and senior citizens, who are demanding increased access to activities like pickleball, yoga, and low-impact fitness classes. Similarly, the project will benefit Juneau's large climbing community and ensure they have continued access to climbing facilities if the privately owned Rock Dump is closed. This project also advances long-standing goals in the adopted Juneau Parks & Recreation Master Plan (2019-2029) and will improve access to recreation opportunities for underserved Lemon Creek neighborhoods.

Q8

Project Plans and ProgressIn one or two paragraphs, describe what has been accomplished so far (if anything). This may include a feasibility study, conceptual design, final design/engineering/permitting, fundraising activities, and/or total funds raised to date.

CBJ staff are currently developing the project scope, evaluating potential locations, and identifying funding sources for this project. A formal feasibility study and conceptual design is anticipated in 2024.

Q9

Project SupportIs the project supported in CBJ or other Area plans? If so, list where the project is mentioned in planning documents. This could include CBJ plans such as the Comprehensive Plan, or regional planning documents like the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

The Juneau Parks & Recreation Master Plan (2019-2029) identifies the lack of indoor facilities for fitness classes, sports, and other activities as a significant gap in services provided by the CBJ Parks & Recreation Department. This plan also calls out the Midtown / Lemon Creek area as being underserved by CBJ with parks and recreation facilities. The Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee has recommended adding this project to the Parks & Recreation Department's Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

Q10

Goal(s) of ProjectIn one sentence or less, state the goal of the proposed project. For example, "economic development" or "improve non-motorized transportation routes."

To improve access to healthy activities and recreation for underserved populations, including elders and economically disadvantaged neighborhoods in Midtown.

Q11

Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Who is responsible for operations and maintenance upon completion of the project?

The CBJ Parks & Recreation Department will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of this project. Through community partnerships, staffing costs and maintenance are anticipated to be significantly less than the Dimond Park Field House.

Page 4: Project Funding & Timeline

Q12

Total Project Cost*Include funds already secured and future funds required to complete.

\$17 million

Q13

Funding Already Secured Include amount and source - example: "\$250,000 - 1% voter approved sales tax." Enter \$0 in the first line if there is no funding secured for the project.

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Other information:

Competitive project for Rasmuson Tier II funding and local fundraising

Q14

Proposed FY2025 Funding Request

\$17 million

Q15

No

Future Funding May Be Requested Do you anticipate making future funding requests for this project?

Q16

Preconstruction Costs (feasibility/design/permitting, etc.):FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

\$1.7 million

Q17

Construction Costs:FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

\$15.3 million

Q18

Respondent skipped this question

For projects that consist of land or equipment purchase only, state when the purchase(s) would be made.

Q19

Preconstruction phase to be completed by: FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

December 2024

Q20

Construction phase to be completed by: FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

October 2025

Q21

Respondent skipped this question

Attachment 1Please upload any relevant photos, drawings, maps, or charts or images. You can also email any/all attachments to ashley.heimbigner@juneau.gov.

Q22

Respondent skipped this question

Attachment 2Please upload any relevant photos, drawings, maps, or charts or images. You can also email any/all attachments to ashley.heimbigner@juneau.gov.

Q23

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Attachment 3Please upload any relevant photos, drawings, maps, or charts or images. You can also email any/all attachments to ashley.heimbigner@juneau.gov.

Q24

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From: [Denise Koch](#)
To: [Geoff Larson](#); admiraltyak@gmail.com; [Brian McGuire](#)
Cc: [Ashley Heimbigner](#)
Subject: RE: Legislative Priorities Project Nomination Forms
Date: Wednesday, November 29, 2023 2:11:46 PM

Hi Geoff.

Thank you for sending this along. I'm acknowledging receipt.

Best,
Denise

From: Geoff Larson <glarson@alaskanbeer.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2023 1:59 PM
To: Denise Koch <Denise.Koch@juneau.gov>; admiraltyak@gmail.com; [Brian McGuire](#) <Brian.McGuire@juneau.gov>
Subject: RE: Legislative Priorities Project Nomination Forms

Dear Ms. Koch,

As you know, the Utility provides essential services to our community, including wastewater treatment. Of particular concern to us is the Utility's ability to protect human health and the environment and meet regulatory obligations in the face of the high waste loadings from the community. Wastes of particular concern include Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) and Grit that cause upsets to our treatment plants (especially during rain events). Reducing FOG and Grit from our wastewaters would greatly improve our treatment plants' performance/compliance and is deserving of funding priority by the Assembly. On behalf of the Utility Advisory Board (UAB), we would ask that the Fat, Oil, Grease (FOG) & Grit Removal project be a priority for funding. The UAB Chair, Andrew Campbell, is out of town so I am writing this letter of support reflecting the wishes of the UAB as expressed in our documented meetings.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Larson
Vice-Chair, Utilities Advisory Board