#### REGULAR ASSEMBLY MEETING 2023-01 DRAFT MINUTES

#### January 09, 2023 at 7:00 PM

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<u>MEETING NO. 2023-01</u>: The Regular Assembly Meeting of the City & Borough of Juneau Assembly held at City Hall in the Assembly Chambers and virtually via Zoom webinar was called to order by Acting Mayor Carole Triem at 7:03 p.m.

#### A. FLAG SALUTE

Assemblymember Wade Bryson led the Flag Salute.

### B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. Assemblymember Greg Smith provided the following Land Acknowledgment:

We would like to acknowledge that the City and Borough of Juneau is on Tlingit land, and wish to honor the indigenous peoples of this land. For more than ten thousand years, Alaska Native people have been and continue to be integral to the well-being of our community. We are grateful to be in this place, a part of this community, and to honor the culture, traditions, and resilience of the Tlingit people. *Gunalchéesh*!

### C. ROLL CALL

**Assemblymembers Present:** Acting Mayor Carole Triem, Greg Smith, Christine Woll, Michelle Hale, 'Wáahlaal Gíidaak (via Zoom) and Wade Bryson

Assemblymembers Absent: Mayor Beth Weldon, Deputy Mayor Maria Gladziszewski, Alicia Hughes-Skandijs

**Staff Present:** City Manager Rorie Watt, Deputy City Manager Robert Barr, City Attorney Robert Palmer, Municipal Clerk Beth McEwen, Deputy Municipal Clerk Diane Cathcart, Finance Director Jeff Rogers, Assistant City Attorney Adam Gottschalk, Community Development Director Jill Maclean, Assistant City Attorney Benjamin Brown, Law Office Manager Deb Senn, Senior Planner Irene Gallion, Eaglecrest Manager Dave Scanlan

## D. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

## 2. Instruction for Public Participation

The public may participate in person or via Zoom webinar. Testimony time will be limited by the Mayor based on the number of participants. Members of the public that want to provide oral testimony via remote participation must notify the Municipal Clerk prior to 4pm the day of the meeting by calling 907-586-5278. For in-person participation at the meeting, a sign-up sheet will be made available at the back of the Chambers and advance sign-up is not required. Members of the public are encouraged to send their comments in advance of the meeting to <u>BoroughAssembly@juneau.gov</u>.

## E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. July 11, 2022 Regular Assembly Meeting 2022-17 DRAFT Minutes

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- 4. August 16, 2022 Special Assembly Meeting 2022-20 DRAFT Minutes
- 5. August 25, 2022 Special Assembly Meeting 2022-21 DRAFT Minutes

**MOTION** by Mr. Bryson to approve the minutes of the July 11, August 16, and August 25, 2022 Assembly meetings and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved as presented.* 

### F. MANAGER'S REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES

Manager Watt requested that Resolution 3011 regarding the Visitor Industry Task Force recommendations be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed as the first item under Public Hearing. *Hearing no objection, that request was approved.* 

#### G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

**Mandy Cole**, a valley resident, stated that she is part of a group that has started a new council called the Juneau Non-Profit Housing Development Council. She said that there is a myriad of requests to the Assembly and the Assembly's top goal is in finding housing solutions in Juneau. She said that their group has been formed to try to help differentiate their requests from requests that the Assembly may get from other portions of the community. Their mission is to advocate for, build, and sustain housing options that are accessible and affordable for those who experience poverty within our community. They are specifically looking at the 30 and below AMI (Area Median Income). She said that they want to provide information and education to the Assembly about the different ways that developing housing for that sector of the community is challenging and why they rely on the Assembly for its support. She said that building housing for people who have very, very little money is different from building housing for the average person using the free market. She said they are hoping to be a resource to the Assembly and CBJ as well as the community at large. The current members of this loose coalition consist of AWARE, Catholic Community Services, Gastineau Human Services, JAMHI, Juneau Housing First Collaborative d/b/a Glory Hall, the Society of St. Vincent DePaul of Juneau, Tlingit and Haida Regional Housing Authority, and the Juneau Community Foundation.

Ms. Hale thanked Ms. Cole and asked if she has had an opportunity to speak with the chair of the Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee and with Lands Manager Dan Bleidorn. Ms. Hale said that if they do have information or asks that the Assembly is encouraging all organizations to be sure to go through the correct Assembly standing committees and the LHEDC would be the appropriate committee for their work.

Ms. Woll asked Ms. Cole if she was the primary contact person for the group or someone else. Ms. Cole said that at this time, it would be herself and Amy Skilbred.

**Aaron Spratt**, a valley resident, spoke about a January 7, 2023 KINY story that spoke about retention efforts for CBJ jobs. He had some questions for the Assembly with respect to the City Manager. He asked what the City Manager's role and responsibility is with respect to employee retention. He said he would like to know if the Assembly is asking Mr. Watt what kind of work environment the City Manager is establishing in city offices. He said that Mr. Watt has almost 30 years working for the city and he wonders why Mr. Watt's peers in senior leadership are leaving in droves. The article cites the pandemic as playing a key role in the retention or recruitment efforts. Mr. Spratt spoke to his concerns about various recent projects that the city has identified for funding and what impact those projects may have on the recruitment and retention of a workforce willing to stay local. He encouraged the Assembly to examine all those issues with respect to recruitment and retention efforts.

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#### H. CONSENT AGENDA

### Public Request for Consent Agenda Changes Other than Ordinances for Introduction

None.

### **Assembly Request for Consent Agenda Changes**

None.

#### **Assembly Action**

**MOTION** by Ms. Hale to adopt the Consent Agenda, as amended, with the removal of Resolution 3011 which was moved to Public Hearing and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the consent agenda was adopted as amended.* 

### I. Ordinances for Introduction

# 6. Ordinance 2022-48(b) An Ordinance Related to City and Borough of Juneau Land Management Plan Duration, Restrictions, and Authority.

This ordinance amends the governing codes related to the CBJ Land Management Plan. Section 2 of this ordinance would extend the viability of a land management disposal determination from two years to ten years, which can remove unnecessary burdens in the land disposal process. Section 3 of this ordinance would amend the general powers of the Docks and Harbors Board to be consistent with the land management provisions of Title 53. Section 4 of this ordinance would remove the requirement for Docks and Harbors to have its own land management plan and would amend the code to clarify what Docks and Harbors should consider when it develops land disposal and land use policies.

If this ordinance is adopted, staff will review the 2016 Land Management Plan to see if any amendments are necessary, especially related to Docks and Harbors managed property.

The Assembly Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee reviewed this ordinance on September 26, 2022. The Assembly Committee of the Whole reviewed and amended this ordinance on December 19, 2022, which is reflected in version b (page 4, lines 17-18). The Docks and Harbors Board or committee reviewed this topic on July 20, 2022; July 28, 2022; August 25, 2022; September 21, 2022; and September 29, 2022.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly introduce this ordinance and set it for public hearing at the next regular Assembly meeting.

# 7. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AD) An Ordinance Appropriating \$10,000,000 to the Manager for the Eaglecrest Gondola Capital Improvement Project; Funding Provided by an Investment from Goldbelt, Inc.

Goldbelt, Inc. has expressed interest in investing \$10 million for the installation of the gondola and associated infrastructure at Eaglecrest Ski Area. This ordinance appropriates funds for that purpose. The initial investment will be repaid according to the terms outlined in the revenue sharing agreement between CBJ and Goldbelt, Inc., authorized by Ordinance 2022-63. This appropriation will be effective upon execution of the agreement.

The Committee of the Whole discussed this request at the November 28, 2022 meeting.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly introduce this ordinance and set it for public hearing at the next regular Assembly meeting.

# 8. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AE) An Ordinance Appropriating \$300,000 to the Manager for the Downtown Subport Planning Capital Improvement Project; Funding Provided by Port Development Fees.

This ordinance would appropriate \$300,000 of port development fees for cruise ship dock planning at the downtown subport. A coordinated waterfront planning effort led by CBJ ensures the entities involved do so collaboratively and with community mindfulness, and allows CBJ to weigh competing interests in Juneau's Port.

The Committee of the Whole discussed this request at the December 19, 2022 meeting.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly introduce this ordinance and set it for public hearing at the next regular Assembly meeting.

# 9. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AF) An Ordinance Transferring \$30,000 from Information Technology to Community Development for a GIS Technician.

CBJ's GIS Technician position is currently split-funded between Information Technology (IT) and the Police Department (JPD). To better align the work of the technician with Community Development's (CDD) GIS program objectives, this ordinance would transfer the remaining FY23 authority for the IT-funded portion of this position to CDD while maintaining staffing levels to JPD. This position will be included in CDD's FY24 budget request.

# The Manager recommends the Assembly introduce this ordinance and set it for public hearing at the next regular Assembly meeting.

# 10. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AG) An Ordinance Appropriating \$93,336 to the Manager for a Grant to Travel Juneau; Funding Provided by Hotel-Bed Tax Funds.

The Hotel-Bed Tax Fund has accumulated a sizeable balance as a result of much higher than anticipated tax revenue. Had this revenue been foreseen during the budget process, the annual Assembly grant issued to Travel Juneau for the purpose of tourism marketing would likely have been significantly larger. As such, this ordinance would make a supplemental grant to Travel Juneau for the 2023 fiscal year.

Travel Juneau will use this additional grant to reimburse \$93,336 of expenses associated with the 2022 Ironman Alaska event. These expenses include facility and equipment rentals, Ironman staff lodging, JPD and CCFR staff time, and an economic impact analysis of the event.

The Assembly Finance Committee reviewed this request at the January 4, 2023 meeting.

# The City Manager recommends the Assembly introduce this ordinance and set it for public hearing at the next regular Assembly meeting.

J. Resolutions

# **11.** Resolution **3011** A Resolution Adopting Cruise Ship Tourism Policy Objectives from the Visitor Industry Task Force Final Report.

The Visitor Industry Task Force (VITF) met in 2019 and 2020. The final report was delivered in March of 2020. The Assembly accepted, but never formally adopted the VITF recommendations or the overarching policy objectives because the immediate challenges of COVID-19 required the Assembly's full attention. Staff's approach to date has been to deal with VITF-recommended issues as they arise. Even without adopting the specific recommendations from the VITF Final Report, the management of

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cruise ship tourism in the community would benefit from the Assembly adopting the five overarching policy objectives in this resolution.

The Assembly Committee of the Whole discussed this topic on November 28, 2022.

#### The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.

#### Resolution 3011 REMOVED from Consent Agenda upon request of the City Manager.

# **12.** Resolution 3013 A Resolution of the City and Borough of Juneau Supporting the Homeporting of a U.S. Coast Guard Icebreaker in Juneau.

The intent of Resolution 3013 is to signal to the US Coast Guard and the Alaska Congressional Delegation unqualified support from our community to homeport an Arctic icebreaker in Juneau.

Our Congressional Delegation, led by Senator Sullivan, has communicated a vision to provide additional Alaskan-based federal assets to meet the emerging needs of an expanding Arctic. The Coast Guard reportedly has evaluated opportunities to acquire a commercially available icebreaker to potentially homeport in our state. Our local community would benefit immensely with the infusion of new federal personnel, including family members, which would accompany the homeporting of an icebreaker.

Although the recently enacted Congressional funding bill did not appropriate federal money to acquire a commercially available icebreaker, this resolution still demonstrates strong will from Juneau that an icebreaker and additional Coast Guard personnel would be warmly welcomed to our community.

#### The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.

#### K. Bid Awards

#### 13. BE23-120 Cedar Drive Pavement, Drainage and Utilities Improvements

This project generally includes reconstruction of Cedar Drive between Columbia Blvd. and Mendenhall Blvd. Bids were opened on this project on December 6, 2022. The bid protest period expired at 4:30 p.m. on December 9, 2022.

Results of the bid opening are as follows:

North40 Construction Corp.	\$1,168,580.00
Admiralty Construction, Inc.	\$1,389,360.00
Engineer's Estimate:	\$1,406,600.00

# The City Manager recommends award of this project to North40 Construction Corp. for the total amount bid of \$1,168,580.00.

#### 14. BE23-123 Teal Street Reconstruction

This project includes reconstruction of Teal Street from Jordan Avenue to Crest Street. Bids on this project were opened on December 1, 2022. The bid protest period expired at 4:30 p.m. on December 5, 2022. Results of the bid opening are as follows:

North40 Construction Corp.	\$2,019,958.00
Admiralty Construction Inc.	\$2,421,316.00
Engineer's Estimate:	\$1,878,023.00

# The City Manager recommends award of this project to North40 Construction Corp. for the total amount bid of \$2,019,958.00.

#### 15. BE23-125 Tongass Boulevard Reconstruction Phase 2

This project includes reconstruction of Tongass Boulevard from the intersection of Dudley Street to Mendenhall Loop Road. Bids on this project were opened on December 9, 2022. The bid protest period expired at 4:30 p.m. on December 12, 2022. Results of the bid opening are as follows:

Admiralty Construction Inc. \$1,992,340.00

*Engineer's Estimate:* \$1,816,245.00

The City Manager recommends award of this project to Admiralty Construction, Inc. for the total amount bid of \$1,992,340.00.

L. Transfers

# 16. Transfer Request T-1048 A Transfer of \$1,400,000 from CIP U76-119 Mendenhall Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements to CIP U76-122 Outer Drive and West Juneau Lift Station Improvements.

This request would transfer \$1.4 million from the Mendenhall Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements CIP to the Outer Drive and West Juneau Lift Station Improvements CIP. Cost escalation has increased the current construction estimates above available funding. The Wastewater Utility has identified this as a high priority project due to pumping limitations, increasing maintenance needs, and difficulty in procuring replacement and repair parts. The Mendenhall Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements CIP will retain adequate funding to cover near term project needs.

The Public Works and Facilities Committee reviewed this request at the December 19, 2022 meeting.

#### The City Manager recommends approval of this transfer.

# 17. Transfer Request T-1049 A Transfer of \$590,000 from CIP R72-149 Meadow Lane Improvements and CIP R72-155 Crest Street Reconstruction to CIP R72-152 Tongass Boulevard Phase II Reconstruction.

This request would provide \$590,000 in additional funding needed to complete project work on the Tongass Boulevard Phase II Reconstruction CIP. Cost escalation and significant degradation of a water main discovered during Phase I contributed to the need for additional funding. The Meadow Lane and Crest Street projects are nearly complete and will retain adequate funding to cover remaining project work.

The Public Works and Facilities Committee reviewed this request at the December 19, 2022 meeting.

#### The City Manager recommends approval of this transfer.

#### M. Liquor/Marijuana Licenses

#### 18. Liquor License Renewals for Review

These liquor license actions are before the Assembly to either protest or waive its right to protest the license actions.

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#### **Liquor License Renewals**

License Type: Club Liquor License, AMCO License #4034 Licensee: Juneau Moose Lodge #700 d/b/a Loyal Order of Moose #700 Location: 8335 Airport Blvd., Juneau

License Type: Restaurant Eating Place Liquor License, AMCO License #4731 Licensee: DJ LLC d/b/a Asiana Gardens Location: 9116 Mendenhall Mall Road, Juneau

License Type: Beverage Dispensary Liquor License, AMCO License #2844 Licensee: Sandbar Inc. d/b/a The Sandbar Location: 2525 Industrial Blvd., Juneau

Staff from the Police, Finance, Fire, Public Works (Utilities) and Community Development Departments have reviewed the above licenses and recommended the Assembly waive its right to protest the renewal applications. Copies of the documents associated with these licenses are available in hardcopy upon request to the Clerk's Office.

# The City Manager recommends the Assembly waive its right to protest the above-listed liquor license renewals.

#### N. City/State Project Review

# **19.** CSP2022-05: City Project Review for Bartlett Regional Hospital's Emergency Department addition and renovation.

At its regular meeting on December 13, 2022, the Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL to the Assembly for adding 4,000 square feet to the hospital's existing Emergency Department, demolishing the existing ambulance bay and building a new 1,300 square foot bay, and renovating 7,500 square feet of the existing Emergency Department space. Site work will include providing a cul-de-sac style turn around near Wildflower Court, changing the direction that ambulances approach the ambulance bay, and providing a pedestrian sidewalk around the new bay and patient drop off area. The total cost of the project is approximately \$17 million.

## The City Manager recommends that the Assembly APPROVE the project.

## O. PUBLIC HEARING

# Resolution 3011 A Resolution Adopting Cruise Ship Tourism Policy Objectives from the Visitor Industry Task Force Final Report.

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The Assembly Committee of the Whole discussed this topic on November 28, 2022.

#### The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this resolution.

Resolution 3011 REMOVED from Consent Agenda upon request of the City Manager.

#### Public Comment

**Kim Metcalfe**, a Gold Street resident, expressed her disappointment that the resolution was on the Assembly's consent agenda only to begin with. She stated that she attended the recent Assembly retreat at which she was encouraged by the fact that it sounded like the Assembly was beginning to recognize the problems this industry brings with it. She spoke to the November 23, 2022 memo from Tourism Manager Alexandra Pierce which was included in their packet. It outlined a long-term strategy for tourism management, provided an update on VITF recommendations, and provided context for tourism management priorities. In the memo, Ms. Pierce stated that "the VITF policy objectives were never adopted and while staff was working on these issues, it is important that the Assembly have a public process and formally adopt a resolution and public process during the retreat and Ms. Metcalfe said that she came away from the retreat thinking there would be a healthy public process and public hearings. She spoke to the McKinley survey and its results showing the community being supportive of imposing limits on the number of cruise ships and passengers and she asked that the Assembly engage in a robust public hearing process on cruise ship tourism and the VITF report.

**Karla Hart,** a Back Loop Road resident, asked the Assembly to consider an amendment that she sent via email earlier. She compared the measuring cruise volume by cruise ship numbers as being analogous to requesting a load of fertilizer but not know whether you would receive a pickup truck load or a semi-truck load. She cited a New Zealand community that received three cruise ships in one day. She said that by passage of this resolution, the Assembly is acknowledging that they should and they can limit cruise ship passengers. By passage of this resolution tonight, it shows that the community can work with the Assembly to get lower cruise ship limits. She cited the 2021 survey the average number of cruise ships came out to 4.2 ships. She strongly suggested the Assembly amend the resolution to lower the number from 5 to 4 cruise ships per day maximum since that is closer to the 4.2 that the community asked for in response to the survey. She expressed her concerns that the resolution refers to cruise ships in the "Juneau port" which means that in the future if other ports were added to West Douglas or other areas, there may be an increase in the total number of ships visiting the community. She asked that they delete the "port" wording and just leave it for all of Juneau. Ms. Hart then spoke to getting shore power for all of the docks. She has been looking at the health impacts from cruise ships and said that if the Assembly passes this resolution, it doesn't solve the overall problems.

Ms. Hale requested a brief at ease and the Assembly took a brief break.

**MOTION** by Mr. Bryson to adopt Resolution 3011 and asked for unanimous consent.

Objection by Ms. Hale.

**MOTION** by Ms. Hale to postpone Assembly action on this Resolution to the next Assembly meeting so that there is an opportunity for additional public comment provided and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the motion to postpone Resolution 3011 to the next regular Assembly meeting passed by unanimous consent.* 

# 20. Ordinance 2022-62 An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City and Borough to Change the Zoning of 10.97 acres of the Pederson Hill Property Located near Karl Reishus Boulevard and Hamilton Street, from D-10SF to D-10.

On July 6, 2022, Moline Investment Management submitted an application to the CBJ Lands and Resources Department to purchase approximately 11 acres of CBJ property at Pederson Hill with the intention of pursuing a re-zone to achieve increased density for a housing project. On August 8, 2022,

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the Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee reviewed and provided a motion of support to negotiate the disposal of CBJ property.

On July 25, 2022, the applicant submitted an application to the Community Development Department for a re-zone and on September 13, 2022, at its regular meeting, the Planning Commission reviewed and recommended that the Assembly adopt the re-zone. (AME2022 0005) Both zoning districts allow for up to 10 dwelling units per acre; however, D10-SF provides only for the development of single-family dwellings, while D10 allows multifamily structures. This re-zone conforms with the 2013 Comprehensive Plan, the 2016 Housing Action Plan, and the 2016 Economic Development Plan.

If the re-zone is approved, the applicant will need to complete a purchase and sales agreement for the property. Prior to development, the applicant will need to acquire all necessary permits and Planning Commission approval if necessary.

The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the December 13, 2022, meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

#### The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

#### Public Comment

**James Sidney, a resident of** Swampy Acres adjacent to this rezone, spoke in opposition to the ordinance. Mr. Sidney stated that when this subdivision was originally proposed, the zoning was proposed as singlefamily units similar to the Casey Shattuck area downtown. That zoning went through the Planning Commission process and he is concerned that this is now being proposed for higher density with apartments that will be having a 10-acre piece of property with no provisions for 60 units.

Mr. Smith asked Mr. Sidney if he had could lay out what his concerns would be if there is housing with higher density up there and if he is aware of any ways that might be remedied during the Planning Commission process. Mr. Sidney explained that when the Pederson Hill project was initially proposed, they were looking at it being similar to 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> Streets with small lots with single family units and alley ways. He said that coming up with 16-unit apartment buildings, they will end up with something like the Chinook, Coho sitting behind their properties and that is not what anyone envisioned and the neighborhood wasn't set up for that sort of thing. It does have bus and sewer utilities. They were D-3 transition to D-5 and now it is D-10. He said that he has had his farm for 50 years but no one approached him about buying any of his property.

Mr. Smith said that the Planning Commission does look at impacts such as buffers and other considerations.

MOTION by Ms. Woll to adopt Ordinance 2022-62 and asked for unanimous consent.

Objection by Mr. Smith for comment. Mr. Smith said that when this was initially proposed in the LHEDC, he is sympathetic that this is changing and when people bought the lots around Karl Reishus Blvd., they expected the lots to be single-family homes around there. Mr. Smith said that the need for housing in Juneau is overwhelming and he is hopeful that as the projects move forward, they keep the needs of the neighbors in mind such as security, traffic, buffers and those types of things in mind to reduce the impacts on the neighbors. Mr. Smith removed his objection.

#### Hearing no further objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.

# 21. Ordinance 2022-63 An Ordinance Authorizing the Manager to Enter into a Revenue Sharing Agreement with Goldbelt, Inc. to Fund Installation of the Gondola and Associated Infrastructure at the Eaglecrest Ski Area.

This ordinance would allow the CBJ to accept \$10M from Goldbelt Inc for the installation of the gondola and associated facilities. In exchange for the capital contribution, the CBJ would share summer revenues from the gondola project. Notably, the City and Borough of Juneau is not pledging taxes, revenue from taxes, or the full faith and credit of the municipality. Goldbelt, Inc. is uniquely situated to execute a revenue sharing agreement with the CBJ because Goldbelt, Inc. owns the Goldbelt Tram Alaska, which eliminates competition concerns, encourages diversification of impacts and sustainable use of both aerial conveyances, and Goldbelt, Inc. has a natural financial interest to see both aerial conveyances prosper while benefiting the community.

This topic has been discussed at numerous meetings of the Assembly Finance Committee and Assembly Committee of the Whole since the spring of 2022. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the December 13, 2022, meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

### The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

### Public Comment:

**Bruce Denton,** a Back Loop Road resident, spoke in favor of the ordinance. He said that he has been a builder in Juneau for the past 50 years and he wanted to underscore the urgency of moving forward with this project and urged the Assembly to adopt this ordinance due to the short building season, especially at the elevations up at Eaglecrest. It is imperative that they complete the design now and are ready for the construction season. He said that a two-week delay at this time of year could mean a year delay in construction.

**Mike Satre,** a valley resident, spoke in his capacity as the Chair of the Eaglecrest Board. Mr. Satre was joined in the audience by a number of other Eaglecrest Board members. He thanked the Assembly and Goldbelt for their support of this. He noted that the Eaglecrest Board gave direction to the Eaglecrest Manager to negotiate with Goldbelt for this contract. The contract met the directives that the Board gave to Mr. Scanlan and the Board passed a unanimous motion to support moving this to the Assembly. He noted that it is important that the city maintain the assets and pricing and control and protections in the contract for both parties. He said that due to the confidential nature of the negotiations, the Board was provided with high level inputs from Mr. Scanlan but only saw the contract at the same time that the Assembly saw it.

Mr. Satre said that the numbers in the tiers as defined in the contract with 55,000 summer visitors per year, the reality is that averages out to approximately 300 people per day which is just about 6-7 tour buses. He said that even at the higher estimated levels of 75,000, that averages out to 400 people per day which is about 8-9 tour buses. He said during the winter on a good powder day, Eaglecrest sees days with 1,100-1,200 people in one day. He said that this is not an exclusive contract and anything that Eaglecrest choses to do is Eaglecrest revenue.

Ms. Triem thanked Mr. Satre and the board for all their work on this and asked for any Assembly questions.

Mr. Bryson asked how many meetings it took to get to this point. Mr. Satre said that they have discussed summer operations, including looking at the potential for a gondola, at just about every agenda the Eaglecrest has had during the five years he has served on the board. He said that with respect to the

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gondola, this has been a constant item of discussion at the board level and Mr. Scanlan has been explaining it to the public over time. They have heard from the get go that they want to have some reservation of public space and some separation of activities. They have visions of the West side being commercial area and East side being Juneau/public spaces. He said that it is another important part of the contract with Goldbelt that CBJ may also put caps on the number of visits to the area.

#### **Assembly Action**

**MOTION** by Mr. Smith to adopt Ordinance 2022-63 and asked for unanimous consent.

Objection by Ms. Woll for comment and question. She said that she wanted to reemphasize that although she was a no vote to spend money to purchase the Gondola, she is more than happy that Goldbelt is investing in this project and she thanked them for their partnership. She asked the City Manager to provide next steps, if this passes tonight, between this stage and the ground breaking stage.

Mr. Watt said that with this appropriation, they will see all kinds of activity with the first item being the starting of a road this spring/summer. He said that the Assembly will also see an ordinance coming before them proposing an alternative procurement method as generally building a gondola on a mountain does not fit well with a low bid process. He said that they will also see a CIP request for funding of an Eaglecrest Master Plan moving forward. That will give the public an opportunity to participate in those discussions and decisions. Ms. Woll removed her objection.

Ms. Triem said that she also supports this, especially the partnership with Goldbelt, which is breaking new ground with this agreement. She said that she has asked a lot of questions of the Board and of Mr. Scanlan and not because she is trying to be mean but rather because it is the Assembly's responsibility to do its due diligence. She said that having the answers to those questions before they get there is going to ensure the success of the project. She said that she understands there is a lot of work ahead of them but she is happy that the board is ready to engage in this process.

#### Hearing no further objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.

# 22. Ordinance 2022-64 An Ordinance Reorganizing and Consolidating the Aquatics Board, the Treadwell Arena Advisory Board, the Jensen-Olson Arboretum Advisory Board, and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

This ordinance would dissolve the Treadwell Arena Advisory Board, the Aquatics Board, and the Jensen-Olson Arboretum Advisory Board, and transfer those board duties to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee ("PRAC"). Because recruitment and retention for so many community volunteers are so difficult, we have prolonged vacancies and frequently cancelled meetings due to lack of quorum. Consolidation into the PRAC will result in more effective and impactful meetings, which will improve morale of board members and community engagement. If a discrete community concern arises, the PRAC or the Assembly would be able to create a temporary task force to address a future concern.

The Assembly Committee of the Whole discussed this topic on November 7, 2022. The Systemic Racism Review Committee (SRRC) reviewed this ordinance on December 13, 2022. On January 3, 2023, the PRAC reviewed this ordinance and unanimously recommended the Assembly adopt it with a proposed amendment, which is presented by Assemblymember Smith. On January 9, 2023, the Assembly Human Resources Committee is scheduled to consider this item in light of the SRRC discussion.

# The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance with Assemblymember Smith's amendment.

#### Public Comment

None.

#### **Assembly Action**

Ms. Triem asked Mr. Smith to report on what they discussed at the Human Resources Committee (HRC).

Mr. Smith said that the Human Resources Committee discussed some of the components of the ordinance but due to only having two HRC members, they had a quorum but not enough members to take official action.

**MOTION** by Mr. Bryson for the Assembly to adopt Ordinance 2022-64 and asked for unanimous consent.

**MOTION** by Ms. Woll to refer Ord. 2022-64 back to the COW. She said that this ordinance is a big deal and she appreciates the difficulties that staff has with not having enough members to meet quorum for some of these committees. She stated that she didn't think all the members had a chance to see the memo from the Systemic Racism Review Committee that the HRC saw and she feels it is important for the other Assemblymembers to see that before they take action on this ordinance.

Ms. Triem asked procedurally if Ms. Woll's motion was an amendment or a motion. Mr. Palmer stated that it was a motion (and according to Roberts Rules of Procedure, a motion to refer to committee takes precedence over the previous main motion.) Hearing no objection, Ms. Woll's motion to refer Ordinance 2022-64 to the Committee of the Whole passed by unanimous consent.

# 23. Ordinance 2022-65 An Ordinance Authorizing the Eaglecrest Ski Area to Enter Into a Franchise Agreement with Mountain Lift, LLC, for Coffee and Baked Goods Service.

This ordinance would authorize the Eaglecrest Ski Area to enter into a franchise agreement for a coffee shop in the Fish Creek Lodge. Normally, the CBJ would use the lease process for this type of arrangement, but the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund prohibits the CBJ from issuing leases at Eaglecrest. However, the CBJ can grant a franchise for a coffee shop concessionaire by ordinance. After soliciting statements of interest, the current vendor, Mountain Lift LLC, was the only respondent. This ordinance would allow Mountain Lift LLC to operate the coffee shop for five winter seasons.

On December 19, 2022, the Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee reviewed and recommended the Assembly adopt this ordinance. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the December 13, 2022, meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

#### The Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

#### Public Comment

None.

#### **Assembly Action**

MOTION by Ms. Hale to adopt Ordinance 2022-65 and asked for unanimous consent.

Mr. Bryson objected for purposes of a question. He asked the Manager how many years Mountain Lift, LLC has operated at Eaglecrest. Mr. Watt said that the Eaglecrest Manager was holding up 7 fingers. Mr. Bryson removed his objection.

Hearing no further objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.

# 24. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(Y) An Ordinance Transferring \$60,000 from Eaglecrest's Fleet and Equipment Reserve Account to the Eaglecrest Gondola Capital Improvement Project.

Transportation of Eaglecrest's gondola exceeded cost estimates by \$261,608 as a result of steep fuel surcharges and detention fees on global shipping containers transported to Juneau. This expense will be covered by the following funding sources:

Eaglecrest Deferred Maintenance CIP (D28-101)	\$161,608
Eaglecrest Fleet/Equipment Reserve Account	\$ 60,000
Eaglecrest Gondola CIP (E28-102)	\$ 40,000

This ordinance provides for the \$60,000 transfer from Eaglecrest's fleet and equipment reserve account. Goldbelt loan proceeds may reimburse this account once the loan agreement is effectuated.

The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the December 13, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

### The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

#### Public Comment

None.

### Assembly Action

**MOTION** by Mr. Bryson to adopt Ordinance 2022-06(b)(Y) and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.* 

# 25. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(Z) An Ordinance Appropriating \$250,000 to the Manager for Junk Vehicle Cleanup and Remediation at River Road; Funding Provided by General Funds.

To date, 103 vehicles have been removed from the River Road property, costing a total of \$152,500. CBJ has been reimbursed for \$105,000 of that amount. The remaining balance will be reimbursed pursuant to a court order, which allows CBJ to foreclose on the property beginning with the vehicles.

As of October 27, 2022, there are still approximately 228 vehicles located at the River Road property. CBJ will request a court order to seize and auction any vehicles of value to attempt to recoup some of the remaining balance owed.

Due to the lengthy court process, there is a need for additional funds now to complete remediation work. Similar to the last round of clean up, CBJ will seek reimbursement of these expenses in subsequent legal proceedings, which may result in property foreclosure.

The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the December 13, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

## The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

#### Public Comment

None.

## Assembly Action

**MOTION** by 'Wáahlaal Gíidaak to adopt Ordinance 2022-06(b)(Z) and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.* 

# 26. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AA) An Ordinance Appropriating \$3,164,401 to the Manager for the Power Upgrades for Electric Buses Capital Improvement Project; Grant Funding Provided by the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities.

This ordinance would appropriate \$3,164,401 to the Power Upgrades for Electric Buses CIP. Grant funding is comprised of Federal Transit Administration funds passed through the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. The local match requirement of \$558,425 is being met by previously appropriated funds in the Power Upgrades for Electric Buses CIP.

The Public Works and Facilities Committee reviewed this request at the December 19, 2022 meeting. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the December 13, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

## The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

#### Public Comment

None.

## **Assembly Action**

**MOTION** by Ms. Woll to adopt Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AA) and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.* 

# 27. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AB) An Ordinance Appropriating \$1,039,438 to the Manager for the School Roof Replacement Capital Improvement Project; Grant Funding Provided by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development.

This ordinance would appropriate \$1,039,438 to the School Roof Replacement CIP for the Gastineau School roof replacement project. Grant funding provided by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development replaces previously appropriated general funds, which will be reallocated to the Juneau School District Deferred Maintenance CIP. The local match requirement of \$559,697 is being met by previously appropriated bond proceeds in the School Roof Replacement CIP.

The Public Works and Facilities Committee reviewed this request at the December 19, 2022 meeting.

## The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

## Public Comment

**Aaron Spratt,** a valley resident, said that he is confused by this money going to the roof project. He asked if consideration has been given to the overspending by the School Board on the order of millions of dollars and what checks and balances are in place to monitor the money for projects such as this in light of the abuse of the budget by the schools. He said that he has not seen anything about this and why the Assembly is appropriating over a million dollars for this.

## Assembly Action

MOTION by Mr. Smith to adopt Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AB) and asked for unanimous consent.

Objection by Ms. Hale for purposes of a statement. Ms. Hale said that CBJ owns all of the school facilities and CBJ is responsible for the maintenance and repairs of all the school facilities and asked Mr. Watt to clarify if that is correct or not. Mr. Watt stated that CBJ is responsible for funding for school repairs which is distinct from the operations of the school district and the provision of education. Ms. Hale removed her objection.

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Objection by Mr. Bryson for purposes of a question. Mr. Bryson asked the Manager what would happen to the state funding if we refused it. Mr. Watt said that the state would keep the funding and CBJ would lose those monies for the benefit of our school facilities. Mr. Bryson removed his objection.

### Hearing no further objections, the motion passed by unanimous consent.

# 28. Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AC) An Ordinance Appropriating \$119,986 to the Manager for the Valley Transit Center Capital Improvement Project; Grant Funding Provided by the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities.

This ordinance would appropriate \$119,986 to the Valley Transit Center CIP. Grant funding is comprised of Federal Transit Administration funds passed through the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. The local match requirement of \$29,997 is being met by previously appropriated funds in the Valley Transit Center CIP. The original grant award erroneously excluded administrative overhead as an eligible expense; this grant amendment corrects this error by allocating additional funds for this purpose.

The Public Works and Facilities Committee reviewed this request at the December 19, 2022 meeting. The Systemic Racism Review Committee reviewed this request at the December 13, 2022 meeting and forwarded it to the full Assembly for public hearing.

#### The City Manager recommends the Assembly adopt this ordinance.

#### Public Comment

None.

#### **Assembly Action**

**MOTION** by Ms. Hale to adopt Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AC) and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.* 

The Assembly took a break from 8:20-8:27p.m.

#### P. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Q. NEW BUSINESS

#### 29. Goldbelt and CP Marine Application for a Land Trade

Goldbelt, Inc. and CP Marine Inc. submitted an application proposing a land trade near the Seadrome Building to develop a new visitor-oriented building in support of the Juneau tourism market. On August 25, 2022, the Docks and Harbors Board reviewed the proposal and passed a motion of support. On December 19, 2022, the Assembly Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee recommended the Assembly authorize negotiations for the land trade pursuant to CBJC 53.09.260.

# The City Manager requests the Assembly authorize negotiations with Goldbelt and CP Marine for a land trade.

#### Public Comment

None.

#### **Assembly Action**

**MOTION** by Mr. Bryson to direct the manager to negotiate with Goldbelt and CP Marine for a land trade and asked for unanimous consent.

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Ms. Hale objected for purposes of a question. She stated that the map on page 100 is the map that shows the land but it doesn't show any details about what was being proposed for transfer. She asked the Manager if that is part of what is still to be worked out as the negotiations take place.

Mr. Watt said that nominally, yes. The packet has a black and white map which isn't too helpful but the online packet has color copies and the Clerk distributed color copies to the members. Mr. Watt said that the general idea is a land trade where money doesn't exchange hands. The line between what ends up being CBJ and what ends up being Goldbelt and CP Marine will be part of the negotiation and has not yet been finalized. Ms. Hale thanked the Manager for his comments and for the colored map, it was very helpful.

Mr. Bryson said that this is the second time that an exchange on the water has happened and the last time an exchange was made, there were some details missed in the trade which prevented that project from coming to fruition. He asked if staff could ask some deeper dive questions in this round of negotiations to keep this project from faltering. Mr. Watt said they will work closely to ensure that all parties understand the development opportunities and process as they move forward. The goal is to rationalize the property lines so that Goldbelt and CP Marine can make an investment in property that they own. Mr. Bryson removed his objection.

Ms. Hale stated that on the Consent Agenda was Ordinance 2022-06(b)(AE) appropriating \$300,000 to the Manager for downtown subport planning. She asked Mr. Watt that given that they are looking at possibly going into a more robust planning effort, if this is pre-empting that ordinance or is this just routine business to be taken care of.

Mr. Watt stated that this is routine business. In this case, neither party is particularly focused on the marine facilities side. This is really about the land trade side. No doubt, both parties are thinking about marine facilities but this is a different area of the waterfront that serves and could be used by much smaller vessels. He said that is not super complicated. Ms. Hale removed her objection.

#### Hearing no objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.

#### 30. Notice of Appeal #2022-AA07: Bayhouse Properties LLC v. Planning Commission

On November 22, 2022 the Planning Commission denied an application from Bayhouse Properties LLC for a Conditional Use Permit, USE2022-0011, for the development of condominiums with up to 21 dwelling units, zoned Waterfront Commercial located at 11485 Auke Bay Harbor Road. Mitch Falk, the representative for Bayhouse LLC, filed a timely appeal on December 16 with the Municipal Clerk's office.

In accordance with the Appeals Code, the Assembly must decide whether to accept or reject the appeal. If you determine, after liberally construing the notice of appeal in order to preserve the rights of the appellant, that there has been a failure to comply with the appellate rules, or if the notice of appeal does not state grounds upon which any of the relief requested may be granted, you may reject the appeal.

If the appeal is accepted, you must decide whether the Assembly will hear the appeal itself or if it will assign the appeal to a hearing officer. If you decide to hear the appeal yourselves, a presiding officer should be appointed.

In hearing an appeal, the Assembly would sit in its quasi-judicial capacity and must avoid discussing the case outside of the hearing process. (See CBJ 01.50.230, Impartiality.)

#### The City Attorney recommends the Assembly accept the appeal and appoint a presiding officer.

#### **Assembly Action**

**MOTION** by Mr. Bryson to accept the appeal and to appoint Christine Woll as the Presiding Officer and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the motion passed by unanimous consent.* 

### **R. STAFF REPORTS**

### 31. M/V Tagish Update

Mr. Watt said that Port Director Carl Uchytil was present to provide the Assembly with an update on the M/V Tagish, a tugboat that sunk.

Port Director Uchytil stated that on December 29, the Harbormaster received a call from Delta Western that the vessel was in distress/sinking. The Harbormaster showed up and notified the responsible party, Mr. Don Etheridge, as well as the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) as well as the National Response Command in Washington DC. The USCG came and federalized the incident in accordance with OPA90 which is the Oil Pollution Act of 1990. They were concerned about violations of the Clean Water Act. They directed the responsible party to deploy a boom which is a device to help contain pollution. DEC had boom available and Docks and Harbors provided some support with their small boat in deploying the boom. The responsible party has been there almost every day placing additional absorbent boom which is designed to collect the dispersed oil.

He said that it is estimated that the vessel had approximately 100 gallons of petroleum products on board. The USCG as of Friday gave the responsible party until today to provide their plan for salvaging the vessel. Mr. Uchytil asked the parties to notify him when there were changes to the process. He had not yet heard back from the USCG but he was informed by Mr. Etheridge that he has waived his rights to deal with the salvage efforts. That means that the USCG will federalize the situation and will use funds from the oil spill trust liability fund. That fund, created after the Exxon Valdez spill, collects money based on throughput from pipelines and it provides money to the USCG to mobilize and bring a contractor to bear. He said that he understands the local USCG sector Captain of the Port will be federalizing the process. He spoke with USCG staff and is looking at what the next steps will be.

Ms. Woll asked if, in addition to any pollution concerns, there were other impacts in terms of navigational hazards or other impacts.

Mr. Uchytil said that in terms of navigation, there were no concerns. However, there is a sewer main that goes under Juneau Harbor and under the dock and they want to make sure any contractors are aware of it in the vicinity of the vessel when the salvaging efforts are done.

Ms. Triem asked about the USCG 'federalizing the response' and what that means in terms of CBJ Docks & Harbor's role in this matter. Mr. Uchytil stated that the USCG is always the responsible government agency to respond to a discharge of oil pollution. He said that what the USCG does is that they provide oversight to an incident and as long as the responsible party is taking proactive means to resolve the situation, they are hands off. When the responsible party indicates that they do not have sufficient means and funding to respond in the timeline required, the USCG can step in and federalize it using their own funds.

Ms. Triem thanked Mr. Uchytil for his report and thanked Mr. Etheridge for attending the meeting.

## S. ASSEMBLY REPORTS

## Mayor's Report

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Acting Mayor Triem reported that she has heard from Mayor Weldon who has been having a fun time and sending back penguin photos from her time in Antarctica.

#### **Committee Reports**

Assembly Finance Committee (AFC) met last week and discussed recruitment and retention incentives which will come back to the Assembly with more formalized plans. The next AFC meeting is the first Wednesday in February at which they will be hearing from BRH since that was postponed last Wednesday.

Lands, Housing, & Economic Development Committee (LHEDC) report was provided by Mr. Watt. He noted that LHEDC met on December 19 and discussed many of the items on this agenda, including the Goldbelt & CP Marine Land Trade, the Eaglecrest Coffee Franchise. He noted that the LHEDC forwarded a motion regarding a request received from Harris Homes, LLC to purchase city property. Harris Homes, LLC requested purchase of the property that the Assembly had already passed a motion to direct staff to negotiate with the original requestor Moline Investment Management. That was the property that was the subject of the rezone Ordinance 2022-62 that was taken up earlier in this meeting. Staff had recommended a negative motion with the effect of denying the Harris Homes, LLC application to purchase the property due to the ongoing negotiations with Moline Investment Management. LHEDC supported the negative motion and denied the request by Harris Homes, LLC.

**Public Works & Facilities Committee (PWFC)** Chair Bryson reported that the PWFC met on December 19 and discussed the transfers that were approved at this meeting regarding the charging infrastructure. Eng/PW Director Koester reminded them that they had homework to do. PWFC heard about the Renninger Skate Park. Parks & Recreation Deputy Director Michele Elfers gave a presentation on the Off-Road Vehicle park that is currently in the planning stages. They also discussed the potential of buses being free from fares.

**Human Resources Committee (HRC)** Chair Smith reported that they met tonight and while they had two members which was enough for a quorum, they did not have the three members required to take action. He discussed it with the City Attorney and would like to move the following appointments to CBJ Boards and Commissions and asked for unanimous consent:

Juneau Commission on Aging: Jennifer Carson and Carole Ende to be reappointed to terms beginning immediately and ending 12/31/2024 and new appointments of Jennifer Garrison and Debra Craig to terms beginning immediately and ending 12/31/2024. *Hearing no objections, those appointments were approved.* 

Joint Assembly/School Board Facilities Committee Chair Hale reported that the committee is tentatively scheduled to meet at January 26 at noon.

#### Liaison Reports

**'Wáahlaal Gíidaak** reported that she was sick for the last SRRC and Planning Commission meetings. She noted that the SRRC will be meeting tomorrow and the PC will be meeting on January 24. 'Wáahlaal Gíidaak said that a number of youth and adults were selected for Arctic Winter Games which will take place in Canada at the end of the month and that once she gets their names, she will share that with the Assembly.

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**Ms. Hale** said that the Juneau Commission on Aging will be meeting on January 17 and there has been some uncertainty as to who will be providing staff support to them. She said that the Airport Board's next meeting is January 12.

**Mr. Smith** reported that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) met last week and discussed the consolidation ordinance that they discussed during this meeting. He said that he missed the last Juneau Commission on Housing & Homelessness meeting as he was unavailable. He reported that Travel Juneau has not met. The Alaska Committee has been busy preparing for the upcoming Juneau Legislative Welcome Reception which is scheduled for next Tuesday, January 17 from 5-6:30p.m. at the Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall which is a venue change. That is the same day as the first day of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Legislature and a great way to welcome the new legislature and their staff to town. The Juneau Legislative delegation is hosting a Juneau Town Hall at Dzantik'i Heeni on Wednesday, January 11 from 5:30-7pm. The Governor's Inaugural is being held at the Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall on January 20.

**Ms. Woll** reported that the Aquatics Board met two weeks ago and discussed the consolidation ordinance. They did not make a motion in support or opposition to the ordinance as they were fairly split across the board. She said that there were some who would like to see a consolidated PRAC with representational seats from the pools on the new PRAC. She said the Aquatics Board met tonight at the same time as the HRC so she wasn't able to attend but that they were reviewing the pool budgets so she is looking forward to getting an update on that. Ms. Woll reported that the School Board met immediately after the Assembly's last meeting. They had the first reading of their budget as a result of the deficit from FY22 and FY23 and the second readings of those will be at the meeting scheduled for tomorrow. She said that the Assembly will be hearing more about that in the near future in the form of an ask of the Assembly for those things that can be funded outside the cap. She said that they are hiring a search firm to begin looking for a new superintendent and they put out an RFP for that contractor to do the search and conduct the public process.

Lastly, Ms. Triem called on Mr. Bryson, who had just celebrated a birthday yesterday and she wished him a happy birthday.

Mr. Bryson reported that the UAS Campus Council met earlier that day and are trying to recruit members to serve on the Board of Regents. He reported that Docks & Harbors held the last meeting of 2022 at which they discussed the port development that the Assembly passed as well as the M/V Tagish and most notably, there is less crime in the harbors due to the recent security measures that they have taken. He noted that the Downtown Business Association (DBA) met last year and discussed the fact that Iron Man will not be coming back. They also discussed affordable housing and that Centennial Hall is now closed for the remodel. He reported that the Glory Hall met and that it was Acting Interim Director Chloe Papier's last meeting before Director Mariya Lovishchuk returns from sabbatical. Mr. Bryson complimented Acting Mayor Triem on presiding during this meeting.

## Presiding Officer Reports

None.

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T. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS & QUESTIONS (included under Committee & Liaison Reports above)
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## U. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### W. SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Assembly, the Regular Assembly meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

 Signed:
 Signed:

 Elizabeth J. McEwen
 Carole Triem

 Municipal Clerk
 Acting Mayor