

Session 22-19 a Regular Meeting of the City Council of Homer, Alaska was called to order on September 26, 2022 by Mayor Ken Castner at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS ADERHOLD, DAVIS, ERICKSON, HANSEN, LORD, VENUTI

STAFF: CITY MANAGER DUMOUCHEL
CITY CLERK JACOBSEN
FINANCE DIRECTOR WALTON
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR KEISER
NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR SULCZYNSKI
CITY ATTORNEY GATTI

AGENDA APPROVAL (Only those matters on the noticed agenda may be considered, pursuant to City Council’s Operating Manual, pg. 6)

Mayor Castner announced the supplemental items and agenda changes:

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS Planning Commission written report and Cook Inlet RCAC Regional Director written report PUBLIC HEARINGS Ordinance 22-42(S), An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending Homer City Code 11.04.120 to Clarify that all New Streets which Serve as Public Access Corridors shall have Sidewalks from Davis/Erickson, and proposed amendments to Ordinance 22-42(S) from Council Member Lord.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

MAYORAL PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Mayor Castner announced at the upcoming Port & Harbor Advisory Commission meeting he’ll be recognizing outgoing Commissioner Cathy Ulmer for her 20 years of service on the Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

RECONSIDERATION

CONSENT AGENDA (Items listed below will be enacted by one motion. If a separate discussion is desired on an item, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.)

- a. Ordinance 22-62, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Operating Budget by Appropriating \$10,000 from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance to Fund Part of the Homer Business Advisory Position for the Alaska Small Business Development Center, and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. Venuti/Erickson. Recommended dates Introduction September 26, 2022, Public Hearing and Second Reading October 10, 2022.

Memorandum 22-160 from Economic Development Manager as backup.

- b. Ordinance 22-63, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending Accepting and Appropriating a Grant with the Alaska Energy Authority in the Amount of \$79,500 for the Design of a Micro-Hydro Unit in Homer's Water System and Authorizing a Sole Source Contract to InPipe Energy for Design Services of the Micro-Hydro Unit(s) in the Amount of \$79,500. City Manager/Public Works Director. Recommended dates Introduction September 26, 2022, Public Hearing and Second Reading October 10, 2022.

Memorandum 22-161 from Public Works Director as backup.

- c. Ordinance 22-64, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Accepting and Appropriating an FY23 Designated Legislative Grant from the State of Alaska for the Purpose of New Large Vessel Harbor Matching Funds for an Army Corps of Engineers General Investigation and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Manager. Recommended dates Introduction September 26, 2022, Public Hearing and Second Reading October 10, 2022

- d. Ordinance 22-65, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Capital Budget by Accepting and Appropriating a 2022 Commercial Passenger Vessel Tax Program Grant from the State of Alaska for \$35,445 and a Commercial Passenger Vessel Tax Program 2022 Pass-Through Grant from the Kenai Peninsula Borough in the Amount of \$35,445 to Rebuild Crane #7 on Homer Fish Dock and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Manager/Port Director. Recommended dates Introduction September 26, 2022, Public Hearing and Second Reading October 10, 2022.

Memorandum 22-162 from Port Director as backup.

- e. Ordinance 22-66, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$69,110 from the Port Reserve Fund to Rebuild Crane #7 on Homer Fish Dock and Authorizing a Sole Source Contract with Great Northern Hydraulics, LLC. City Manager/Port Director. Recommended dates Introduction September 26, 2022, Public Hearing and Second Reading October 10, 2022.

Memorandum 22-162 from Port Director as backup.

- f. Resolution 22-068, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Awarding Certified Public Accounting Municipal Finance Term Contracts to the Firms of Carmen Jackson, CPA, LLC and Altman, Rogers & Co. and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Manager. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 22-163 from City Clerk as backup.

Moved to Resolutions item c. Erickson.

- g. Resolution 22-069, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Acknowledging the Insufficiency of the East Hill Road Sewer Improvement Special Assessment District. City Clerk. Recommend adoption.

Memorandum 22-164 from Deputy City Clerk as backup.

- h. Resolution 22-072, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Supporting the Construction of a Fiber Optic System which would Connect Many of the Towns and Villages in Western Alaska to the National Network of High Speed Internet. Mayor. Recommend adoption.

Item f. moved to Resolutions item c. Erickson.

City Clerk Jacobsen read the consent agenda and recommendations.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

VISITORS

- a. COVID-19 Agency Update Derotha Ferraro, South Peninsula Hospital Public Information Officer and Lorne Carroll, State of Alaska Public Health Nurse III (10 minutes)

Lorne Carroll announced this will be his final COVID agency update, he reviewed total case counts and death counts worldwide, the Alaska community case rates map, and the Kenai Peninsula Borough community level. He shared hospital capacity status statewide and Omicron variants prevalence, reviewed vaccination schedules, and gave a brief report on Monkeypox.

Derotha Ferraro reported on South Peninsula Hospital statistics for testing and hospitalizations, shared that the new Pfizer bivalent booster is available by appointment, hours at the test and vaccine clinic, and updated masking requirements for visitors.

- b. Fiscal Year 2021 Audit Report - BDO, USA (5 minutes)

Rescheduled to October 26, 2022.

- c. Kenai Peninsula Borough Superintendent Clayton Holland (10 Minutes)

Assistant Superintendent Kari Dendurent presented an overview of the school district, strategic planning, student enrollment, and the school bond issue on the upcoming ballot.

- d. Small Business Development Center - Robert Green (10 Minutes)

Robert Green, Homer Business Advisor, provided an overview of the services he provides at the Homer office of the Small Business Development Center. Cliff Cochran, Kenai Peninsula Center Director, Karin Marks Economic Development Advisory Commission Chair, and Julie Engebretsen, Economic Development Manager commented briefly in support of funding assistance for the Homer office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS (5 Minute limit per report)

- a. Worksession Report

City Manager Dumouchel reported Council heard a presentation from and had discussion with Special Projects and Communications Coordinator Jenny Carroll regarding the 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Plan and FY24 Legislative requests.

- b. Committee of the Whole Report

Council Member Aderhold reported Council had a presentation from BDO, the City's auditing firm on the FY21 audit. She noted they will be postponing the resolution that accepts the audit because they haven't received the final draft.

c. Mayor's Report

Mayor Castner reported on his discussion with the auditors, noting that the audits are fixed data points they can rely on from year to year. He also reported he's been working with the Kachemak City Mayor regarding speed limits and reducing them in our area.

d. Lunch with a Council Member - Council Member Davis

Council Member Davis reported they had good discussion regarding updating the Climate Action Plan, workforce housing, short term rentals, and invasive species.

e. Borough Report

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Member Lane Chesley reported they will be swearing in Interim Borough Mayor Mike Navarre and the Assembly will be discussing the timeline for the upcoming special election. He shared that the Borough received their appraisals for properties that are being considered in a land trade with the City. Brandi Harbaugh, KPB Finance Director, is on board to attend a worksession with Council and he'll work on getting that scheduled. He provided an explanation of Proposition 1 on the upcoming ballot related to apportionment and the fiscal note related to increasing the assembly seats and school board seats.

f. Library Advisory Board

Library Advisory Board Chair Kate Finn reported at their last meeting they discussed library building priorities for repairs and the Finance Director attended and reported on the budget. They reviewed their 2022 goals, discussed development of a teen advisory board, state and federal legislative updates, banned books week, and status of the western lot.

g. Planning Commission

Planning Commissioner Mike Stark introduced himself as the newest Commission member. He reported on the Commission's discussion the Ordinance 22-42 regarding sidewalks, platting matters, and the draft ordinance reducing CUP's in zoning districts.

h. Economic Development Advisory Commission

Economic Development Advisory Commission Chair Karin Marks reported at their last meeting the Commission finished their balance of quality of life, change, and community growth report and will be presenting to Council, and they're giving updates to the other commissions.

i. Parks Art Recreation and Culture Advisory Commission

Parks Art Recreation and Culture Advisory Commissioner Deb Lowney reported at their last meeting they heard reports on Community Recreation, Karen Hornaday Park Master Plan, and

Drawdown Trail Work. She noted the upcoming Pathways Symposium and encouraged listeners to attend.

Mayor Castner called for a 10 minute recess at 7:43 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 7:53 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Ordinance 22-42, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending Homer City Code 11.04.120 to Clarify that all New Streets which Serve as Public Access Corridors shall have Sidewalks. Davis/Erickson. Introduction July 25, 2022, Referred to Planning Commission, Parks Art Recreation & Culture Advisory Commission, and Public Works, Public Hearing and Second Reading Postponed to September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-165 from Planning Commission as backup.

Memorandum 22-166 from Parks Art Recreation & Culture Advisory Commission as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing.

Pat Case, city resident, commented in support of sidewalks in Homer and Ordinance 22-42, recognizing there are clarifications that need to be made in the ordinance. Mr. Case highlighted ADA standards for sidewalks and the necessity of maintenance in the winter.

Deb Lowney, city resident, commented in support of Ordinance 22-42 but has concern about criteria, noting there are some streets that may not demand sidewalks. She shared her perspective as an avid walker, and agrees with Mr. Case's comments.

ERICKSON/DAVIS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-42 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

DAVIS/LORD MOVED TO SUBSTITUTE 22-42(S) FOR 22-42.

Council Member Davis noted the substitute addresses concerns raised by the Planning Commission and Parks Art Recreation and Culture Advisory Commission. He asked if Public Works Director Keiser could share her thoughts about the substitute.

Public Works Director Keiser expressed her support for the spirit of the ordinance. She explained the language in the ordinance imposing requirements to design or build sidewalks needs to be enforceable. Developers need to be able to predict what will be required of them, and when it will be required. She has concern with the term public access corridor, the definition is vague. She has identified some criteria she thinks could help identify specific instances where connections would be required and explained some of them. In response to questions about the substitute, Public Works Director Keiser expressed that there are some

streets that clearly don't need sidewalks, and she likes the idea of case by case determinations and addressing findings, but the criteria needs to be predictable and easy to enforce. She commented regarding their efforts to accomplish this through the Non-Motorized Transportation and Trails Plan and the upcoming Trails Symposium.

VOTE (substitution): NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

ERICKSON/LORD MOVED TO AMEND LINE 36 TO READ NEW STREETS TO BE ACCEPTED BY THE CITY MAY BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A DEDICATED PATH OR TRAIL TO ENSURE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY.

Mayor Castner clarified this changes shall have to may be required.

Public Works Director Keiser shared her concern with the lack of enforceability. She needs criteria she can enforce and is willing to help draft something to bring back to the next meeting.

There was discussion regarding the amendment and next steps to coming forward with a more comprehensive amended ordinance.

VOTE (amendment): YES: VENUTI, ERICKSON, LORD, DAVIS, HANSEN
NO: ADERHOLD

Motion carried.

Council Member Lord commented regarding the amendments she provided as a laydown, and asked they be considered by the Public Works Director when preparing the updated draft.

Council Member Aderhold supports the concept of the ordinance and understands the urgency to get it completed as developers may be working on their plans over the winter. She agrees there needs to be more work done and the title will need to be amended so that it's consistent with the language being proposed.

Council Member Davis supports postponing and hopes as the Public Works Director is able to incorporate her criteria and consider what's proposed by Council Member Lord in her laydown. He hopes it can get to the Planning Commission for review before it comes back to council.

Mayor Castner asked that neighborhood density be considered as well.

LORD/DAVIS MOVED TO POSTPONE TO THE NEXT MEETING.

Mayor Castner noted that will be October 10, 2022.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- b. Ordinance 22-53, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending Homer City Code Chapter 2.58, Boards and Commissions Section 2.58.020 Creation of City Boards and Commissions and Adopting Chapter 2.70 Americans with Disabilities Act Advisory Board. Aderhold. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-143 from Deputy City Clerk as backup.

Memorandum 22-159 from City Clerk as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing.

Pat Case, city resident, commented in support of Ordinance 22-53, and suggested the ADA Advisory Board provide input regarding Ordinance 22-42.

ADERHOLD/ VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-53 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

ERICKSON/ADERHOLD MOVED TO AMEND LINE 129 TO CHANGE EXPAND THE DUTIES TO MODIFY THE DUTIES.

There was no discussion.

VOTE (amendment): NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

ERICKSON/LORD MOVED TO AMEND LINE 83 AFTER ELECTED TO ADD OR UNTIL THEY SUBMIT THEIR RESIGNATION AND A REPLACEMENT IS APPOINTED.

There was brief discussion to clarify the amendment.

VOTE (amendment): NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

Council Member Aderhold provided history of the committee and the benefits of the committee becoming a board to continue to work on transition plans and addressing matters that may arise.

Mayor Castner questioned whether ADA requirements are included in the city's solicitations for construction. Public Works Director Keiser confirmed they are but in the past haven't necessarily been enforced. She's unsure why.

VOTE (main motion): NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- c. Ordinance 22-54, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Extending the Appropriations for Previously Funded Capital Projects through the end of Fiscal Year 2023. City Manager/Finance Director. Recommended dates Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-157 from Finance Director as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-54 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- d. Ordinance 22-55, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$370,263 from the Utility Fund to Fully Fund the Repair of the Belt Driven Clarifier Skimmers at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. City Manager/Public Works Director. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-147 from Public Works Director as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-55 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Council Member Lord noted there has been a lot of conversation about this very expensive skimmer and the infrastructure at the waste water treatment plant.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- e. Ordinance 22-56, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Operating Budget by Appropriating \$93,750 from the Water/Sewer Inventory Account for the Purchase of Concrete Septic Tanks. City Manager/Public Works Director. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-148 from Public Works Director as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-56 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- f. Ordinance 22-57, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$15,000 from the General Fund Capital Asset Repair and Maintenance Allowance Fund for Fencing at the Skyline Drive Fire Station. City Manager/Fire Chief. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-149 from Fire Chief as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-57 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- g. Ordinance 22-58, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Capital Budget by Authorizing a Total Transfer of \$208,000 from the Utility Operations Fund Fund Balance to Include \$52,000 to the Water Capital Asset Repair and Maintenance Allowance (CARMA) Fund and \$156,000 to the Sewer CARMA Fund. City Manager/Public Works Director. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-150 from Public Works Director as backup.

Memorandum 22-158 from Finance Director as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-54 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

There brief comments expressing appreciation for staffs work on this matter.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- h. Ordinance 22-59, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the City of Homer Fee Schedule under City-Wide Administrative Fees for City Lease Fees. City Manager/City Clerk. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-151 from Deputy City Clerk as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-54 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- i. Ordinance 22-60, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY23 Capital Budget by Accepting and Appropriating the Second Tranche of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds in the Amount of \$716,685.16 to Fund Necessary Utility

Infrastructure Projects. City Manager/Finance Director. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-152 from Finance Director as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-54 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

There was no discussion.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- j. Ordinance 22-61, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the City of Homer Water and Sewer Rates and Updating the Homer Fee Schedule Accordingly. City Manager/Finance Director. Introduction September 12, 2022 Public Hearing and Second Reading September 26, 2022.

Memorandum 22-156 from Finance Director as backup.

Mayor Castner opened the public hearing. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ADERHOLD/ERICKSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-61 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING.

There was brief comment that this amendment creates a good balance for user costs and city needs.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE(S)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- a. City Manager's Report

City Manager Dumouchel commented regarding the progress on the Main Street Sidewalk, the Master Transportation Plan and upcoming Trails Symposium, the new Tsunami Flyers are

being distributed, partnership work with the City of Seldovia, and short term rental discussion at the next worksession.

Council Member Lord commented regarding the speed limit on East End and how people can provide feedback related to this in the Master Transportation Plan. City Manager Dumouchel responded there will be opportunities for public input that will be advertised when dates are set, and there will be opportunities to comment on line. Public Work Director Keiser provided additional information.

Council Member Lord also commented to clarify regarding the short term rental worksession, there are no grant programs being developed, and the work being done by city staff is to get a better understanding of short term rentals.

PENDING BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Resolution 22-070, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the 2022 City Council Meeting Schedule for November and December. City Manager.

ADERHOLD/DAVIS MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 22-070 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY.

Mayor Castner expressed strong concern about such a long gap between meetings if the December meeting is canceled.

There was discussion that it is a long time between meetings, but a special meeting can be called if needed.

Council Member Erickson noted she'll be out of town November 14th.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- b. Resolution 22-071, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Accepting the Fiscal Year 2021 Basic Financial Statements and Acknowledging the Management Letter Submitted by the City's Independent Auditor, BDO USA, LLP and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Financial Report. City Manager/Finance Director.

ADERHOLD/VENUTI MOVED TO POSTPONE TO OCTOBER 10, 2022.

Council Member Aderhold explained Council has not received the final audit to review.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

- c. Resolution 22-068, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Awarding Certified Public Accounting Municipal Finance Term Contracts to the Firms of Carmen Jackson, CPA, LLC and Altman, Rogers & Co. and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Manager.

Memorandum 22-163 from City Clerk as backup.

ADERHOLD/LORD MOVED TO ADTOP RESOLUTION 22-068 BY READING OF TITLE ONLY.

Council Member Erickson asked for the rationale for these term contracts. She has concerns about why this is happening, and if we're changing staffing.

City Manager Dumouchel explained there are no staffing changes. This is similar to the engineering term contracts for Public Works, where we may have a project where we need a specialist to help us work through something. The Finance Department has been inundated since Council changed the fiscal year and it has continued to compound since. Working with an outside firm on some projects when we don't have in-house staff to do it will help take some of the pressure off the team.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

Pat Case, city resident, commented on the history of the bond proposition for the West Homer Elementary School, and the importance of this school bond question on the ballot. He expressed his appreciation of their work on the sidewalk ordinance 22-42.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Gatti commended Council on their good work tonight.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY CLERK

City Clerk Jacobsen announced advisory body openings and election updates.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Dumouchel had no comments.

COMMENTS OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Castner commented from his vantage point he could see there were voters in the lobby earlier this evening, and confirmed there is early voting happening. He thanked Lorne Carroll and Derotha Ferraro for all their support and reporting during the pandemic.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Hansen thanked everyone for a good meeting.

Council Member Aderhold commented regarding the upcoming Candidate Forum at the library and the Trails Symposium at the college.

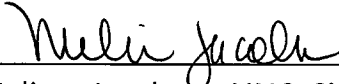
Council Member Venuti thanked Lorne Carroll and Derotha Ferraro, she'll miss having them at the meetings. She shared condolences to family and friends of Nancy Vait who passed away recently and recognized those in western Alaska who have experienced damage from the hurricane strength winds. She encouraged listeners to get out and vote.

Council Member Lord said it was a good meeting, the Candidate Forum will be broadcast on the radio, and encouraged people to vote.

Council Members Davis and Erickson had no comments.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council Mayor Castner adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m. The next Regular Meeting is Monday, October 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., Committee of the Whole at 5:00 p.m. All meetings scheduled to be held in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E921. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.



Melissa Jacobsen, MMC, City Clerk

Approved: October 24, 2022

