



## Agenda

### Planning Commission Worksession

Wednesday, August 07, 2024 at 5:30 PM

City Hall Cowles Council Chambers In-Person & Via Zoom Webinar

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**CALL TO ORDER, 5:30 P.M.****AGENDA APPROVAL****DISCUSSION TOPIC(S)**

- A. Review of Capital Improvement Plan

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM(S)****REGULAR AGENDA ITEM(S)****COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE** (3 minute time limit)**ADJOURNMENT**

Next Regular Meeting is Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. All meetings scheduled to be held in the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.



## MEMORANDUM

PL-24-040

### Recommendations to City Council on the Draft 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

**Item Type:** Informational Memorandum  
**Prepared For:** City of Homer Planning Commission  
**Date:** July 29, 2024  
**From:** Jenny Carroll, Special Projects & Communications Coordinator  
**Through:** Melissa Jacobsen, City Manager

- I. **Issue:** At the July 17, 2024 Planning Commission meeting, after being briefed on the 2025-2030 draft CIP, Commissioners requested to take up their CIP Legislative Priority project recommendations to City Council as a pending business item at their August 7, 2024 meeting.

At the August 7 meeting you should be prepared to pass a motion naming **three projects** the Planning Commission recommends to City Council for inclusion in the Legislative Priority section of the CIP, and of those three indicate the Commission's #1 and #2 Federal Legislative Priority projects.

As a reminder, Legislative Priority Projects are a short list of high priority **City of Homer projects** which are selected by City Council for promotion to State representatives for capital funding assistance, as well as the Federal appropriations process. I have found that to be successful in the Federal appropriations process, projects must meet nuanced eligibility criteria set out by the Federal appropriations sub-committees, have plans or at least conceptual designs in place, as well as some investment and/or match funding.

Last year, the Planning Commission selected the following:

1. New Public Works Facility
2. Homer Harbor Expansion (This project received FY24 Federal continuation funds through the US Army Corps of Engineers WorkPlan budget, and was included in the FY25 President's Proposed Budget. The project description has been updated to reflect a request for funds for the Project Engineering Design phase of the project, which requires Federal appropriation.)
3. A-Frame Water Transmission Line Replacement (On July 25, I was informed by Senator Murkowski's office that after the second round of appropriations markups the **A-Frame Water Transmission Main Replacement** project was included in the FY25 Interior & Environment appropriations bill in the amount of \$650,000. Though the committee bill still needs to pass the full Senate, and then the Senate and the House need to reconcile the different versions of the appropriations bills before being signed into law, this is great news.

Additional motions Commissioner's may choose to pass include recommendations of support (or opposition) for projects proposed to be added or removed from the CIP.

Thank you for participating in this planning process. I will incorporate your comments into the draft CIP and share your recommendations with City Council at their CIP worksession on August 26. The CIP will remain a draft document City Council formally adopts the CIP via Resolution in September 2024.