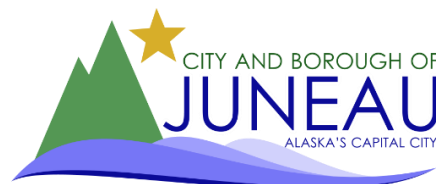


# ASSEMBLY PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 09, 2024 at 12:10 PM

Assembly Chambers/Zoom Webinar

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**A. CALL TO ORDER - 12:10 PM**

**B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - Read by Ms. Hughes-Skandijs**

We would like to acknowledge that the City and Borough of Juneau is on Tlingit land, and wish to honor the indigenous people 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**

**Members Present In-Person:** Chair Bryson; Mr. Kelly; Ms. Adkison

**Members Present Via Zoom:** Ms. Hughes-Skandijs

**CBJ Staff Present In-Person:** EPW Director Denise Koch, Utility Superintendent Brian McGuire, Chief CIP Engineer John Bohan, Planning Manager Scott Ciambor, Contracts Administrator Greg Smith, Environmental Project Specialist Dianna Robinson, P&R Director George Schaaf, Meeting Clerk Kevin Allen, and Administrative Officer Breckan Hendricks

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - No changes or comments**

**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. August 5, 2024 - Regular Meeting Minutes - Approved with no changes

**F. ITEMS FOR ACTION**

2. Alaska Department of Transportation FY25 Human Services Transportation Services Grant

Director Koch explained that PWFC has recommended making

this grant the last few years. It has a 0% CBJ match and the required state process has already happened. She stated Mr. Ciambor made a recommendation to get a resolution in support of SAIL ORCA's listed priorities.

Chair Bryson asked if there was a smaller amount requested last year for one vehicle.

Mr. Ciambor stated that last year, they applied for funding for one vehicle, but this year, they applied for three.

Mr. Kelly asked why they are waiting until the November meeting to forward the grant to the Assembly.

Mr. Ciambor said they need to provide a recommendation and get the resolution by the grant deadline, which is in December, so there is not a rush for this project.

Ms. Adkison moved that the Public Works Committee recommend a resolution supporting the SAIL ORCA participant ADA replacement vehicle, the SAIL new/expansion vehicle for consumer and community meetings and agency errands, and the SAIL replacement ADA Taxi for the FY25 DOT Human Service Grant for the November 18, 2024, Assembly Meeting for approval.

No objection, motion passed.

3. Funds Transfer to New Dimond Park Fieldhouse Armoring CIP

Director Koch explained this is a request to transfer funds in the total amount of \$600,000 to armor near the Dimond Park Fieldhouse. The rationale is that both the 2023 Jökulhlaup and 2024 Jökulhlaup significantly eroded the banks near the building. They will be reallocating money from three existing CIPs for the funds.

Chair Bryson voiced his understanding that the Fieldhouse is it is a 14 million dollar building and they are asking for a \$600,000 investment to protect the building.

Director Koch stated that is correct.

Ms. Adkison inquired if there would be any rebuilding of the banks.

Director Koch stated they would be primarily armoring and not building back a tremendous amount of land.

Mr. Bohan added they will not be rebuilding.

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs asked for what the re-allocation will look like for the Sports Field Repair CIP allocation.

Mr. Schaaf answered they use that CIP to apply repairs to over 20 different ball fields around town and it is a rolling CIP. There are a couple factors that fed into their rationale on how they could reallocate the funding that makes them caught up enough to continue to maintain the service levels that they have with the funding remaining in the CIP.

Ms. Hughes-Skandijs asked if the rolling CIP does not have a set list of actions because it is never done.

Mr. Schaaf responded that is correct.

Mr. Kelly moved to forward to the full Assembly a transfer of \$75,000 from Sportsfield Repairs CIP P41-097, \$259,000 from CIP P41-099, and \$96,000 Savikko Park improvement P41-101, and \$170,000 from CIP P41-110 to a new \$600,000 CIP for the armoring of the Dimond Park Fieldhouse riverbank.

No objection, motion passed.

**G. INFORMATION ITEMS**

4. 2024 Flood Disaster Debris

Director Koch gave a brief update on the 2024 Flood Disaster Debris. She discussed the significant waste effort after the 2024 Jökulhlaup and the costs associated with the waste effort. She noted that DOT, National Guard, and CBJ all had crews working around the clock every single day afterward. She also talked about refrigerator disposal.

Chair Bryson asked if a citizen loaned something out, what is the course of action to get their belongings back.

Director Koch said she would get back to him on that.

Chair Bryson inquired about the public forum they discussed to allow citizens to come and ask questions about the city, state, and federal government response.

Director Koch stated that given the gravity of the situation, she hesitates to answer that since there will be memos on those issues.

5. Juneau Douglas North Crossing (JDNC) Project Update

Director Koch gave an update on the Juneau Douglas North Crossing Project. She explained the CBJ support for the project and said they are strongly in favor of a second crossing. She said AEL&P

expressed concern about the Salmon Creek alignment, that there would be significant impacts to the approach of the bridge if there was a breach of the dam, and some security concerns on high-risk dams. DOT is gathering more information on those concerns. She explained they were close to having an MOA on how they were spending money for the process, but DOT lawyers thought there needed to be some significant overhauls to the MOA. Director Koch went over the next steps in the process and assured the group that there is work being done behind the scenes and there will continue to be a public process and meetings with stakeholders.

Ms. Adkison asked for clarification that the problem is the alignment position in relation to the dam and not anything inherent with the Salmon Creek alternative.

Director Koch affirmed that is correct.

Ms. Adkison asked if DOT does not like it because it is supposed to be redundant in event of an emergency and also in an emergency it could be taken out.

Director Koch stated that is correct.

Mr. Kelly inquired if they have been given any expectation on when they might get a revised draft on the MOA.

Director Koch answered that DOT said they are working on it right now, but she cannot commit to when DOT will send CBJ a draft.

Chair Bryson said the Public Works and Facilities Committee will not have time to have a public testimony period, but do they anticipate hosting a community forum for the new information?

Director Koch responded yes, and that they talked about having a public meeting or open house, but she was unsure if they would have separate ones for CBJ and DOT or if they would host it together.

#### **H. CONTRACTS DIVISION ACTIVITY REPORT**

12. July 27, 2024, to August 30, 2024

#### **I. NEXT MEETING DATE**

13. November 4, 2024 @ 12:10pm

#### **J. ADJOURNMENT - 1:20 PM**

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