



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA NO. 2024-21
REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 14, 2024
MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA [ZOOM WEBINAR](#) AND AT
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

REGULAR MEETING

6:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL
2. INVOCATION
3. FLAG SALUTATION
4. CEREMONIAL MATTERS (Proclamations, Introductions, Recognitions, Awards)
5. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, oral communications to the City Council on any item pertaining to City business that is not up for public hearing. The total comment period is 30 minutes, and testimony is limited to three minutes. Any person wishing to speak needs to sign up on the list located in the hallway or must have signed up in advance using the procedures for providing online testimony found at the City's website. Respectful standards of decorum and courtesy should be observed by all speakers. Remarks should be directed to the City Council as a body rather than to any particular Council Member or member of the staff. In consideration of others, please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.
6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are indicated by asterisks (*). Consent agenda items are considered together unless a council member requests that the item be returned to the general agenda. Ordinances on the approved consent agenda are automatically advanced to the next regular meeting for second reading and public hearing. All other items on the approved consent agenda are passed as final.
7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
 - a) Regular Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2024

8. SPECIAL ORDERS

- a) The Fairbanks City Council will hear interested citizens concerned with the following alcohol license applications for renewal. Public testimony will be taken and limited to three minutes.

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
4772	Chickentown Teriyaki	Restaurant/Eating Place	Two Star, LLC	1454 S. Cushman Street
4941	Seoul Gate Restaurant	Restaurant/Eating Place	Seoul Gate, Inc.	958 Cowles Street
4831	Irashai Japanese Restaurant	Restaurant/Eating Place	2Giro, Inc.	419 Merhar Avenue, Suite B
4247	Brewster's	Beverage Dispensary	Restaurant Concepts, LLC	3578 Airport Way
6069	Hari Om Cuisine of India	Restaurant/Eating Place	A Paul, LLC	1528 S. Cushman Street
2565	Ed Dorado Bar & Grill	Beverage Dispensary	Eldorado Bar & Grill, Inc.	530 3rd Avenue
542	Geraldo's Restaurant	Beverage Dispensary	Garlic Lovers, LLC	701 College Road
252	The Cabin	Beverage Dispensary	Avo Hospitality, LLC	901 Old Steese Highway

- b) The Fairbanks City Council will hear interested citizens concerned with the following marijuana license application for renewal. Public testimony will be taken and limited to three minutes.

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
10131	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	Retail Marijuana Store	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	1851 Fox Avenue
10230	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	1851 Fox Avenue

- c) The Fairbanks City Council will hear interested citizens concerned with the following alcohol license application for transfer of ownership and restaurant endorsement. Public testimony will be taken and limited to three minutes:

Type/License: Beverage Dispensary
License No.: 2124
DBA: Fenders
Applicant: D.B. & Fu, LLC
Location: 636 28th Avenue, Fairbanks
From Owner: 636, LLC

- d) The Fairbanks City Council will hear interested citizens concerned with the following new alcohol license application. Public testimony will be taken and limited to three minutes.

Type: Sporting Activity/Event License
License No.: 6195
DBA: Alaska Axe Co.
Applicant: JK Enterprise, LLC
Location: 3501 Lathrop Street, Unit B, Fairbanks

9. MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

- a) Special Reports

10. COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Resolution No. 5136 – A Resolution In Support of Fairbanks North Star Borough Ordinance No. 2024-25 Amending FNSB Code Title 18 Regarding Parking and Loading Requirements. Introduced by Mayor Pruhs and Councilmembers Tidwell, Rogers, and Sprinkle. POSTPONED from the Regular Meeting of September 23, 2024.

12. CERTIFICATION OF 2024 REGULAR ELECTION AND OATHS OF OFFICE

- a) Certification of the 2024 Regular Election Results

****BRIEF TRANSITION RECESS****

- b) Oaths of Office and Seating of Elected Council Members

13. NEW BUSINESS

- *a) Resolution No. 5137 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Chief Financial Officer to Open an Alaska Municipal League Investment Pool (AMLIP) Cash Enhancement Series II Account. Introduced by Councilmembers Sprinkle and Ringstad.
- *b) Resolution No. 5138 – A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fairbanks to Accept Funds from the United States Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) for the FY2024 Promoting Access to Crisis Teams (PACT) Community Policing Development (CPD) Program. Introduced by Mayor Pruhs.

- *c) Resolution No. 5139 – A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fairbanks to Apply for and Accept Funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the FFY2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant. Introduced by Mayor Pruhs and Councilmember Marney.
- *d) Ordinance No. 6292 – An Ordinance Amending Fairbanks General Code Sec. 14-167 and Sec. 14-214 to Require Written Notice to Licensees of Hearings for Alcohol and Marijuana License Applications. Introduced by Councilmembers Sprinkle, Marney, and Rogers.
- *e) Ordinance No. 6293 – An Ordinance Amending Fairbanks General Code Chapter 26, Article III, Emergency Medical Services, Adding Regulations Governing Private Ambulance Services and Amending the City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services. Introduced by Mayor Pruhs.

14. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL

- *a) Memorandum Re: Change to Senior Structural Plan Check Engineer Position
- *b) Clay Street Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes of September 4, 2024
- *c) Fairbanks Diversity Council Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2024

15. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

16. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

17. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

18. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

- a) PSEA Labor Negotiations: Guidance from Council [permissible under State law, including the provision at AS 44.62.310(c)(1)]
- b) Peter Chapman Claim [permissible under State law, including the provision at AS 44.62.310(c)(1)]

19. ADJOURNMENT



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 23, 2024
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

The City Council convened at 6:30 p.m. on the above date to conduct a Regular Meeting of the Fairbanks City Council via Zoom webinar and in the City Council Chambers located at 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, with Mayor David Pruhs presiding and the following Councilmembers in attendance:

Councilmembers Present: Jerry Cleworth, Seat A
 June Rogers, Seat B
 Sue Sprinkle, Seat C
 Crystal Tidwell, Seat D
 Lonny Marney, Seat E
 John Ringstad, Seat F

Absent: None

Also Present: D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk
 Thomas Chard, City Attorney
 Michael Sanders, Chief of Staff
 Margarita Bell, Chief Financial Officer
 Jake Merritt, Human Resources Director
 Brynn Butler, Housing Coordinator (remotely)
 Marsha Oss, Reentry Coordinator (remotely)

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by City Clerk Danyielle Snider.

FLAG SALUTATION

At the request of Mayor Pruhs, **Mr. Cleworth** led the flag salutation.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

[Clerk Note: Names of citizens who provide comments may not be spelled correctly if their name was illegible on the physical sign-up sheet.]

Mayor Pruhs informed the Council that 33 individuals were signed up to provide Citizens' Comments and reminded them that the allotted period for such was only 30 minutes.

Mr. Cleworth, seconded by **Ms. Rogers**, moved to EXTEND the Citizens' Comments period by an additional 30 minutes.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO EXTEND THE CITIZENS' COMMENTS PERIOD BY AN ADDITIONAL 30 MINUTES AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Sprinkle, Marney, Rogers, Ringstad, Cleworth, Tidwell

NAYS: None

Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Snider noted that the Citizen's Comments period would end at 7:32 p.m. unless further extended by the Council.

Jodi Blakley, Owner of Mecca Bar – J. Blakley apologized for not attending the last Council meeting when her alcohol license renewal application was being reviewed. She noted that in the past, she had received notification if the Council wished her to be present and that she had not been contacted this time. She clarified that she had also not been present two years ago when her license was last renewed and that it was approved without an issue. She shared that she has spoken to several other bar owners and learned that none of them knew they were responsible for finding out when their license renewals would be on the Council's agenda.

Ms. Sprinkle asked J. Blakley if she creates a calendar reminder for herself that a Council meeting would occur during her license renewal process. J. Blakley explained that her renewal notice came in October of 2023, at which time she submitted all necessary paperwork. She pointed out how that illustrates how far backed up the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) is.

Mr. Marney asked J. Blakley if she is a fan of tourism. J. Blakley stated that she is. **Mr. Marney** asked how she supports tourism. J. Blakley indicated that her establishment is open to all customers, welcomes photographs, sells merchandise, enjoys hearing stories, and offers to give tours to anyone interested. **Mr. Marney** asked if she considers herself a good neighbor. J. Blakley shared that she certainly tries, given the strings that are attached to the tools she can utilize. J. Blakley addressed the dispatch report from the Fairbanks Emergency Communications Center (FECC), showing 33 calls in the last year.

Mayor Pruhs highlighted the fact that J. Blakley's last renewal in 2022 included six pages of calls and congratulated her on bringing that call volume down to just over one page. He added that the Fairbanks North Star Borough's Transit Center downtown had far more calls and affirmed that the Mecca Bar is a much lower concern than other locations. J. Blakley expressed her belief that a large portion of calls were related to a single individual with mental health challenges, whom they have had difficulties with since 2021. She added that 13 of the calls also show as self-initiated stops by the Fairbanks Police Department (FPD). She shared that as a business, they try to be a good neighbor, that they want to be able to call the police any time there are issues, and that they desire to see the space in front of the business cleaned up. J. Blakley stated that they struggle with the idea that they have to answer for the number of calls during a renewal process, which forces them to be careful about when and why they make a call to the police. She noted that it is a problem to feel like the business cannot utilize the services available without jeopardizing their future.

Ms. Rogers asked J. Blakley to share details about her work on the Smokefree Workplace initiative. J. Blakley shared that her business went smokefree two years prior to it becoming a state

law and that she, along with another bar owner in town, worked closely with the American Cancer Society to help see it through. She acknowledged that it is inconvenient for people to be outside smoking on the sidewalk but that it is better than having it occur inside her or any place of business. She expressed pride in being part of that work.

Ms. Sprinkle pointed out that while the state laws prohibit smoking within 20 feet of a business's entrance, individuals are often seen smoking within 10 feet of the Mecca Bar door and an ashtray is placed outside for smokers. J. Blakley indicated that she would rather have the ashtray and smokers close to her door than that of one of the neighboring business's door. **Ms. Sprinkle** shared that she has also witnessed individuals smoking marijuana outside the entrance to the bar and going in and out of the business. J. Blakley stated that she admits to seeing some marijuana usage but that she sends those people away. She asserted that no one is permitted to come into the establishment with a lit cigarette of any kind. **Ms. Sprinkle** asked J. Blakley what hours she is typically onsite. J. Blakley shared that she is typically at the bar from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., then in and out throughout the rest of the day. **Ms. Sprinkle** asked if they have ever considered a bouncer or other security-focused employee to be posted at the entrance. J. Blakley stated that they have someone serve in that capacity on occasion for larger events but that they are generally not busy enough to require it. She noted that any employee performing those duties would not be allowed to enforce anything outside on the sidewalk but would be limited to dealing with problems inside the bar, which she reiterated were minimal. She clarified that both her insurance company and law enforcement informed her that no employees should be outside policing. **Ms. Sprinkle** asked what generally happens at a bar if an incident occurs outside. J. Blakley indicated that the police are called. **Ms. Sprinkle** asked if it was correct that she felt that calling the police and adding to their call report list created an unfair situation. J. Blakley stated they feel their hands are tied in regard to helping with problems in front of the bar, especially being open late at night when no one else is around and being unable to self-police problems outside. **Ms. Sprinkle** asked whether J. Blakley believed that problems would still occur at that location if the bar was not there. J. Blakley asserted that they would because people would still be downtown near other restaurants and other bars. **Ms. Sprinkle** acknowledged the proximity of the nearby businesses and pointed out that the same problems are not occurring in the same frequency as they are at the Mecca Bar.

Mayor Pruhs reminded Councilmembers that they may only ask questions during Citizens' Comments – not engage in debate. **Ms. Sprinkle** clarified that her original question and concern was as to why the police are not being called more often if problems are persistent.

Mr. Marney asked J. Blakley if she would be willing to work with the City to fix the problems. J. Blakley confirmed that she would be happy to. **Mr. Marney** indicated that his goal is to resolve issues with her input as well as that of neighboring business owners. He identified the recent efforts the Council undertook regarding cleaning up the downtown area and focusing on economic development. He agreed that they could put their heads together and come up with solutions.

Marge Thompson – M. Thompson discussed the challenges of being a business owner in the 500 block of Second Avenue downtown. She addressed pervasive problems with empty alcohol bottles, trash, broken glass on the ground, broken shop windows, vandalism, graffiti, altercations to include loud obscenities, vomit, urine, and blood. She discussed the unpleasant and often unsafe environment for those wishing to enjoy that part of the downtown area. She indicated that people

publicly consume alcohol and marijuana. She stated that most things are manageable in the summer but are impossible in the winter.

Mr. Ringstad asked M. Thompson how long she has worked downtown. M. Thompson replied that it has been decades. **Mr. Ringstad** indicated that he would like to pick her brain sometime.

Ms. Sprinkle asked if she had noticed any differences or a timeline of things improving or worsening over the years. M. Thompson stated that it has gotten worse over the last ten years.

Alicemary Rasley – A. Rasley stated that she has spoken on behalf of the Mecca Bar before, and things have not changed since then. She asserted that the problem is not the bar and that it is not pulling people into the City center. She shared that she was a magistrate judge for 28 years and frequently handled cases involving alcohol and substance abuse, which gave her a good idea of what was going on. She noted that she is the president of the Breast Cancer Detection Center and that J. Blakley has donated tens of thousands of dollars to nonprofits in the community. A. Rasley stated that she has worked downtown since 1979 and that the only time things were less disruptive or disturbed in the downtown area was when the City had officers regularly patrolling day and night. She discussed the impact on the number of arraignments and cases being tied to downtown law enforcement as well as the ineffectiveness of fining and jailing offenders, including the cost to the City for incarceration. She indicated that the real problems are due to mental health crises and chronic inebriation.

Ms. Sprinkle asked A. Rasley if she was aware that the City has had police officers patrolling the downtown area the last two summers. A. Rasley stated that she was aware and that the ability for that to make a difference has to be tied to having alcohol taken away from the people causing the problems. She reiterated that allegations of the Mecca Bar being the reason problems exist in the vicinity are unfounded.

Marissa Lawrence – M. Lawrence referenced an earlier comment about broken bottles on the street and sidewalk outside the Mecca Bar and pointed out that the bar does not sell bottles of alcohol, so that issue could not be attributed to it. She shared that she visits the bar every Monday morning at the same time and regularly witnesses J. Blakley's outreach to the community. M. Lawrence reported that she regularly brings clients to the Mecca Bar and that it is no different than any other establishment in town.

Mr. Marney asked M. Lawrence why she believes the front of the bar attracts individuals. M. Lawrence shared that as a former paramedic, she knows that people go where they feel safe.

Ms. Sprinkle, in response to M. Lawrence's comment about bringing clients to the bar, asked what she does for a living. M. Lawrence shared that she is an alcohol distributor.

Russell Dennis – R. Dennis shared that he works at Fairbanks Fire Department (FFD) and spoke in support of Ordinance No. 6291, which would add nine positions to FFD. He stated that he wanted to dispel the notion that the police and fire departments are fully staffed, indicating that that is misleading. He likened it to claiming that a four-wheeler missing two wheels could make an "awesome dirt bike." He indicated that he has heard it said that the police department is fully

staffed, yet there are no regular patrol officers from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. R. Dennis used a car accident earlier that day at 11:00 a.m. as an example, stating that police were called but none showed up. He cited the drastic increase in calls to FFD over the last several years and stated that they expanded to ensure every call could be answered. He stated that they have not added enough positions in order to compensate for the call increase, noting that a fully staffed department would not be experiencing \$2.1MM in overtime like it will see in 2024. R. Dennis concluded that the current situation is not working for the City, its employees, or the community. He urged the City to adopt Ordinance No. 6291.

Sean Walklin – S. Walklin shared that he is the Director of the UAF Community and Technical College’s Culinary Arts and Hospitality program. He spoke in support of the Mecca Bar and J. Blakley’s positive impact on his program through charitable donations that come from pull-tab revenue. He reported that she established a scholarship for students interested in their program as well as provided direct funding to support other needs, including emergency purchases of books and other course materials. S. Walklin reported that her actions have had a tremendous impact, enabling them to open a student-run food truck and provide quick support when needed. He expressed appreciation for J. Blakley’s efforts to improve the City.

Ms. Sprinkle asked S. Walklin if he has personally patronized the bar and if so, witnessed any problems. S. Walklin stated that after a museum fundraiser, he and a group went to the Mecca Bar and had a great time with no issues observed.

Bonnie Jo Largen – B. Largen shared that she has lived in Fairbanks all her life, lives downtown, and walks downtown daily. She reported that she never sees police on her walks but constantly sees the Fairbanks Parking Authority agents. She expressed support for the Mecca Bar, where she used to work as a janitor. She indicated that J. Blakley takes great effort to care for her staff and customers, create a safe environment, and give back to the community. She asserted that losing the Mecca Bar would hurt more than the owner – it would hurt the City as a whole. She pointed out J. Blakley’s willingness to work with the Council to address any identified concerns.

Ms. Sprinkle asked B. Largen if she had any suggestions for how to make the area less concerning or frightening to the neighbors. B. Largen stated that she does not know about the neighbors or their problems but that she has never had a problem at the Mecca Bar. **Ms. Sprinkle** asked if that meant there was nothing wrong or room for improvement. B. Largen replied that it is a local bar and that there are problems at every bar.

Charity Gadapee, Visitor and Community Engagement Director, Explore Fairbanks – C. Gadapee provided an update on visitor counts for the May through August 2024 period, which increased by 13% from 2023. She discussed a partnership with the UAF Geophysical Institute’s Science for Alaska Summer Series. She reported on their most recent Golden Heart Giving event called “Feed the Helpers” where staff, volunteers, and T’s BBQ Connection teamed up to provide meals to 355 firefighters and EMS personnel at 11 different fire departments across the Interior. She stated that it was an honor to share meals and stories with community first responders.

Brian Feldmann – B. Feldmann asked if Councilmembers realize how cultural the Mecca Bar is to Fairbanks. He recalled visiting there when he was an early teenager and stated that he believes

it was the first bar in the City to be fully integrated, with customers of all races coming together. He expressed the belief that the City is trying to kick the can down the road and that the focus needs to be on patrolling the streets and providing services to the homeless and mentally ill. He stated that the Mecca Bar shows support to the community through potlucks and gatherings after a funeral. He declared that it is a great bar with good people.

Wade Kalloch – W. Kalloch indicated that everyone knows alcohol has been an evil and destructive force against mankind since the start. He affirmed that he was neither defending nor condoning any liquor establishment but he was interested to see how the City Council works and learn how it uses its authority to make decisions. He discussed the owner not being contacted about her license being on the agenda of the last Council meeting and stated that she is otherwise in total compliance with the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board. W. Kalloch declared that no proprietor is responsible for what takes place on public streets and that the Council went after the Mecca Bar while another just a block away had broken three ABC Board rules over the summer. He asked why the Council was not going after that business. He stated that an economic and ethnic dichotomy exists in the world and that it occurs in downtown Fairbanks at a grand scale. He claimed that this other business is using public property to distribute liquor for a profit and while they have a right to be in business, so does J. Blakley. He urged the Council to be just, open-minded, and fair-handed in its treatment of all alcohol license holders.

Julie Jones – J. Jones shared that she works downtown and runs Festival Fairbanks, which provides upkeep and maintenance in Golden Heart Plaza (GHP). She expressed support for the Mecca Bar keeping its license. She acknowledged that colorful characters have been a part of downtown Fairbanks from the beginning and that she has never had a problem talking to people in the area. She cited a statistic from a few years back which noted only 70 individuals within the January homeless count that year had any drug or alcohol abuse problems. J. Jones discussed the reality that helping only 70 people would have changed the entire dynamic of downtown at that time. She acknowledged that free will gets in the way sometimes but that everyone is responsible for the community. She pointed out that J. Blakley's business has been paying taxes and supporting community services, having been in operation since 1946. She reiterated that the responsibility to take care of problems belongs to everyone and recounted the Volunteers in Policing initiative a year ago to help have a uniformed patrol downtown. She noted that the seasonal FPD positions at GHP have been nice, but it is not the same as the law enforcement presence that used to be there.

Ms. Sprinkle asked J. Jones if she was advocating for more policing as a viable solution. J. Jones confirmed that policing as well as community engagement are both needed. **Ms. Sprinkle** asked about the nature of her relationship with the Mecca Bar. J. Jones shared that Festival Fairbanks was on the verge of going out of business years ago until J. Blakley agreed to carry pull-tabs to support the nonprofit organization, which saved them. She stated that the financial benefit from the Mecca Bar was not her motivation to speak before the Council but rather the overall community support the business offers to many. She reiterated the importance of everyone working together.

Rhonda Montgomery – R. Montgomery expressed support for her boss, J. Blakley, and echoed the sentiments of previous speakers regarding her charitable nature. She agreed that the Mecca Bar is a safe place doing more than just serving alcohol. She affirmed that she comes to work every day feeling confident that she is in a safe place.

Ms. Sprinkle asked if she ever worries about or is afraid of what goes on outside the bar. R. Montgomery stated that she can only control what goes on inside the bar, that she is not afraid, and walks to and from her car daily.

Angelika Krinner-Croteau – A. Krinner-Croteau shared that she has owned the Arctic Travelers Gift Shop for 17 years, a neighboring business of the Mecca Bar. She stated that she had some negative experiences with the Mecca Bar the first seven to eight years and that she had provided public testimony in opposition of the license renewal before. She indicated that she changed her mind over the last decade and expressed support for the bar. She noted that J. Blakley has improved things significantly, and there has been a marked change in the clientele. She discussed the cleaner appearance of the area and the decrease in the need for her to call police for things like damage to her windows. She added that she sometimes sees police on downtown streets and advocated for increased patrol efforts – not just during the summer months.

Mayor Pruhs asked A. Krinner-Croteau to confirm that she, as the owner of the most popular tourist destination on Second Avenue, was recommending that the City Council approve the alcohol license renewal for the Mecca Bar. A. Krinner-Croteau replied affirmatively.

Mary “Rocky” Osborne – M. Osborne shared that she has lived downtown since 2008 and that the building she lives in had far more problems than the Mecca Bar until they added security in 2015. She indicated that she has met many great people with heart at the bar and that while some have alcohol problems, they all have a story. She reported that she has never seen a fight break out at the Mecca Bar and that any problems that arise in the bar are handled quickly and precisely. M. Osborne discussed how customers look out for each other but that there is much more needing done to address homelessness and mental health issues in the community. She concurred with earlier comments that open containers outside the bar are not because of the Mecca Bar.

Niki Cserni – N. Cserni shared that she is one of the Mecca Bar’s closing shift bartenders. She explained that bar’s license is limited to its indoor premises and that problems on the sidewalk and street are outside of the establishment’s control. She stated that as part of their closing duties they often sweep and clean up the area outside the bar, as well as the space in front of neighboring storefronts. She asserted that the primary reason individuals congregate outside is that the structure along Second Avenue has alcoves that trap warm air and make for a hospitable place for those seeking protection from the elements. She noted that the same feature does not exist on other streets downtown and is unique to Second Avenue. She discussed the challenge of wanting to call the police whenever necessary but about how doing so places her job at risk, given that a longer call report reflects poorly on the bar when it is time for a license renewal. N. Cserni shared that recently an irate individual, who had long been banned from the establishment, was causing a disturbance outside and law enforcement was needed. She stated that concern over the police attention for something that was unrelated to their business led her to feeling unable to call it in, so another nearby business did. She added that she told officers she did not want any part of the situation when they arrived and wanted to ask questions. She concluded that it is not fair for her to be unable to call the police and that she deserves to feel safe too.

Mr. Marney stated that he was struggling to understand why she could not call the police. N. Cserni explained that they have to defend their alcohol license which includes a report of police calls to the property. She added that every article they read about the Council's action to protest the Mecca Bar license cited calls to the police as a primary concern. She stated that she wants to be able to call the police but feels like she cannot do so. **Mr. Marney** asked if she really would feel unable to call law enforcement if outside the bar, she saw someone being assaulted or raped. N. Cserni acknowledged that she would absolutely call for matters such as assault or rape but that even those kinds of calls would show up as a negative mark against her boss's business. **Mr. Marney** stated that a change is needed.

Ms. Sprinkle commented that as a body, the Council did not believe that police were the problem. She also expressed concern with the idea that employees at the Mecca Bar felt they could not call police when police services were needed. She expressed a desire to work on resolving the conflict. **Mayor Pruhs** reminded Councilmembers that they are to only ask questions during Citizens' Comments.

Van Lawrence – V. Lawrence indicated that he was speaking in capacity as the attorney of JRB, Inc., the alcohol license holder doing business as the Mecca Bar. He cited Alaska Statute 04.11.480 which provides that if an application is protested, the ABC Board shall deny the application unless it finds that the protest was "arbitrary, capricious, or unreasonable." He described how an iconic business might be shut down and cause 10 employees to lose their jobs if the Council proceeds with its protest. He pointed out that the concerns expressed appear to be about things that happen outside the bar, not what is within the business premises. He acknowledged the discussion taking place about who is responsible for policing Second Avenue and asserted that it is the City – not the businesses on that street. He confirmed that J. Blakley accurately shared that Worker's Compensation insurance constraints prevent her, or any business, from sending any staff outside of the business to deal with problems on the sidewalk or street. V. Lawrence agreed that employees at the Mecca Bar are in a "Catch-22" situation regarding calling the police. He pointed out that J. Blakley has been commended on the shorter call report, which illustrates that point. He noted that the report that was six pages long at the Mecca Bar's previous renewal is more than enough to generate concern for employees who feel uncomfortable calling law enforcement.

Ms. Sprinkle asked V. Lawrence to confirm who he was representing. V. Lawrence explained that his client is JRB, Inc., the corporation that owns the Mecca Bar and holds the alcohol license.

Mayor Pruhs noted that the one-hour allotment for Citizens' Comments had expired and that 11 names remained on the register. He discussed the importance of allowing all who had signed up to have the opportunity to speak. He suggested the Council consider extending the comment period again, limited to the remaining names, even if it meant each would be limited to two minutes.

Ms. Rogers concurred that the Council should extend but allow the three minutes for each speaker.

Mr. Cleworth, seconded by **Ms. Rogers**, moved to EXTEND the Citizens' Comments period by an additional 30 minutes, maintaining the three-minute time limit.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO EXTEND THE CITIZENS' COMMENTS PERIOD BY AN ADDITIONAL 30 MINUTES, MAINTAINING THE THREE-MINUTES TIME LIMIT AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Cleworth, Marney, Tidwell, Ringstad, Sprinkle, Rogers

NAYS: None

Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED and reiterated that comments from citizens would be limited to the 11 remaining names on the register.

Clerk Snider noted that the Citizen's Comments period would now end at 8:04 p.m.

Nick Clark – N. Clark thanked Explore Fairbanks and T's BBQ Connection for providing meals to local firefighters. He shared that members of the FFD, the Fairbanks Firefighters Union (FFU), and the Public Safety Employees Association (PSEA) had recently come together to volunteer at The Bread Line's soup kitchen. He encouraged others in the community to consider donating their time and resources to support that organization. He spoke in favor of Ordinance No. 6291, which he recognized was currently on the Consent Agenda. He expressed hope to have a more robust conversation on the ordinance when it returns for a second reading. He concurred with the earlier sentiments of R. Dennis and agreed that the options to address the department's current situation include continuing with the status quo, cutting services, or approving the ordinance to hire more staff. N. Clark stated that continuing with the current approach is not sustainable and does a disservice to both employees and the community. He reiterated that the additional staff is needed and will make the difference. He asserted that they cannot keep operating 13 positions with shift staffing of only 14 while solving the overtime crisis. He indicated that the FFD was never meant to operate that way and that the community deserves the FFD's service.

Tresa Gillespie – T. Gillespie acknowledged that most of her thoughts had already been expressed by others and conveyed her support for the workers at the Mecca Bar. She shared that she often helps clean up the trash and debris outside along the stretch of Second Avenue that is home to the bar and its neighboring businesses. She expressed the view that the Mecca Bar is no different than the other businesses around it as far as being responsible for the problems on the sidewalk and that it is unfair to go after its license but not that of others. She noted that the Mecca is the only "Native Bar" left in Fairbanks and that it likely would not exist if not for Alaska Natives. She acknowledged that the problems being discussed are directly tied to homelessness, which should be the focus.

Jim Arpino – J. Arpino shared that he ran a business on South Cushman for many years and had similar problems to what has been described. He noted that one difference was that business owners were not trying to put others out of business and that property sizes were larger. He explained that a bar with its own parking lot, which many in town have, is in fact responsible for problems outside its entrance, provided the situation was still occurring on their property. He added that downtown many businesses open directly onto City sidewalks and streets, which means that trespassing a problematic individual from the premises would not prevent that person from remaining outside in what would be considered public space. J. Arpino shared that he now owns a business a few blocks away and that people congregate in a similar fashion outside the Midnight Mine. He asserted that it is not a Mecca Bar problem but rather a City problem, and one that could

not be solved in one evening. He recognized the historical significance of the Mecca Bar and that the desire to clean up the area up ties into tourism. He pointed out the lack of concern for similar problems in other parts of town where tourists are less present and indicated that it will take work to fix those issues. He discussed the small percentage of troubled individuals and that while their behavior is erratic, they are generally not violent. He reiterated that the problems are not isolated to downtown.

Brian McNeil – B. McNeil shared that he has lived in the downtown area for a long time and that there have been many bars over the decades, none of which have as much history as the eclectic Mecca Bar. He discussed the unique design and the extensive work put into refurbishing the interior. He acknowledged the problems that exist downtown and agreed that business owners are not the ones who are causing them. B. McNeil stated that if the bar closes, the loss of alcohol tax revenue for the City would not help address the real need, which is funding to increase police presence downtown. He discussed additional problems that occur under the bridges and walking paths in the downtown area.

Erik Yunker – E. Yunker stated that he works at the Fairbanks Rescue Mission and that a lot of the problems described outside the Mecca Bar are similar to what they deal with at the mission. He shared that he has always seen diligent work from bartenders at the Mecca Bar when it comes to checking identification and cutting people off when appropriate. He reviewed the limited options for community services available to those struggling with substance abuse and reiterated that it is a mental health problem. He noted the City's effort to clean up homeless camps and suggested that is another reason more people may be congregating downtown. He suggested that instead of closing down the Mecca Bar, the City should focus its efforts on other issues.

Gary Falls – G. Falls expressed support for J. Blakley, noting that he is also a business owner and owns an alcohol license. He indicated that the whole situation has scared him as far as what can happen to a business. He described J. Blakley's various charitable endeavors, raising tens of thousands of dollars, many of which are events he also participates in. He voiced concern about how things got to this point and pointed out the significant community support for the Mecca Bar.

Chris Miller – C. Miller shared that he is a resident, business owner, and property owner in the downtown area. He expressed his desire to see entities and individuals work together to address the obvious community issues, rather than assigning the problem to a particular business. He acknowledged that resources need to be committed, including some by the bar itself, to solve the problems. He noted that other bars have been shut down due to similar problems that went unresolved. He confirmed that he wants economic activity as well as safety for his guests, adding that sometimes it does not feel safe.

David van den Berg, Executive Director of Downtown Association of Fairbanks – D. van den Berg stated that regardless of how the Council arrived at this point, he would like to view the situation as an opportunity to discuss what is happening on the sidewalks downtown. He admitted that he is supportive of businesses downtown and therefore supportive of the Mecca Bar but called attention to the fact that no speakers had denied that problems exist on the sidewalks and streets in the area. He discussed how the Fairbanks Downtown 2040 Plan addresses public safety, both in the chapter regarding economic development as well as an entire chapter dedicated to the topic. He asserted

that the City Council has the authority to avoid protesting the Mecca Bar's license while still working to improve public safety with the owner and through other means.

Jacyn DeBaun – J. DeBaun shared that she is a fifth generation Alaskan and the Executive Director of a local nonprofit organization. She discussed the importance of community and to how J. Blakley contributes in significant ways to many programs. She reported how many professionals visit the Mecca Bar after other philanthropic events to celebrate. She addressed the concerns over broken glass and marijuana consumption taking place outside the bar and reiterated that neither item is sold by the Mecca. J. DeBaun reported that she took UAF classes at the downtown campus and carried pepper spray every night as she walked to her car, which was nowhere near the Mecca Bar. She suggested the City focus on improving safety in the entire downtown area, citing the Borough transit center as one of the worst culprits. She asked how many businesses the City will go after in an effort to fix the alcohol-related problems downtown. She encouraged the Council to give thought to efforts like Ordinance No. 6291 as a way to get more first responders and stated that she cannot fathom running a business with the same level of overtime as the FFD. She concluded with a recommendation that the Council consider checking itself for biased viewpoints given the predominantly Alaska Native component to the Mecca Bar.

Ms. Sprinkle asked J. DeBaun what nonprofit organization she runs. J. DeBaun shared that she runs the Breast Cancer Detection Center of Alaska.

Stephanie Thibedeau – S. Thibedeau stated that all who had spoken thus far had done a good job at sharing the same thoughts she has. She stated she believes this action by the Council is racially motivated. She suggested that police have never solved a homelessness problem and that she does not believe that law enforcement is the answer. She expressed her view that there is an attempt to swat away the Mecca Bar in order to gain more tourism revenue and that tourists are put ahead of locals a little too much. She added that she had read in the newspaper that the amount of police calls to the Mecca Bar had been compared to that of Tuffy's, a bar on the opposite side of town, which she found ludicrous.

Jennifer Haynes – J. Haynes suggested that J. Blakley consider hiring bouncers, possibly former military members, to provide security and alleviate problems from the inside. She acknowledged that many individuals who are causing problems downtown have mental health challenges but are worth knowing and understanding where they are coming from.

Mayor Pruhs declared Citizens' Comments closed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Marney, seconded by **Ms. Tidwell**, moved to APPROVE the agenda and consent agenda.

Mr. Cleworth pulled items 12(a), Resolution No. 5136, and 12(b), Ordinance No. 6291 from the consent agenda.

Mayor Pruhs called for objection to the APPROVAL of the agenda, as amended, and hearing none, so ORDERED.

Clerk Snider read the consent agenda, as amended, into the record.

SPECIAL ORDERS

- a) The Fairbanks City Council held a public hearing and considered the following alcohol license applications for renewal:

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
1059	Raven Landing Center	Beverage Dispensary	Retirement Community of Fairbanks	1222 Cowles Street
4395	The Banks Alehouse	Beverage Dispensary	Goethe, LLC	1243 Old Steese Highway
2424	Sophie Station Hotel	Beverage Dispensary Tourism	Fountainhead Development, Inc.	1717 University Avenue, S.
3074	Wedgewood Resort	Beverage Dispensary Tourism	Fountainhead Development, Inc.	212 Wedgewood Drive

Mr. Ringstad, seconded by **Mr. Marney**, moved to WAIVE PROTEST on the alcohol license applications for renewal.

Mayor Pruhs called for testimony and hearing none, declared Public Testimony closed.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO WAIVE PROTEST ON THE ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Tidwell, Sprinkle, Ringstad, Marney, Rogers, Cleworth

NAYS: None

Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED.

- b) The Fairbanks City Council held a public hearing and considered the following marijuana license application for renewal:

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
22809	Airport Way Best Bud	Retail Marijuana Store	Airport Way Trade Center, LLC	3598 Airport Way

Ms. Tidwell, seconded by **Mr. Ringstad**, moved to WAIVE PROTEST on the marijuana license application for renewal.

Mayor Pruhs called for testimony and hearing none, declared Public Testimony closed.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO WAIVE PROTEST ON THE MARIJUANA LICENSE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Ringstad, Rogers, Marney, Sprinkle, Cleworth, Tidwell

NAYS: None

Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

Mayor Pruhs shared that City Hall will host a Halloween event on Thursday, October 31 and thanked Craig Compeau for sponsoring the event. He expressed appreciation for all who had provided Citizens' Comments and acknowledged that sometimes it is good to get yelled at a little. He thanked J. Blakley for representing her business and V. Lawrence for providing a legal viewpoint. He reiterated that the Council hearing what it wants to hear is not always the same as hearing what it should hear. He thanked public members for sharing their voice.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Sprinkle indicated that she had no comments.

Ms. Rogers thanked those who had provided testimony, shared history, and spoke of the needs in the community. She concurred that all parties need to come together to make strides to solve problems. She pointed out that the vote had been five to one, that only she had voted to waive protest on the Mecca Bar's application for license renewal, and that it was difficult to hear from those who were unhappy with the situation. She discussed the typical low attendance of Council meetings which often leads to a lack of awareness by the public of what actually takes place, who votes for what, and what is discussed. She spoke favorably of the collective experiences and minds of those present. **Ms. Rogers** shared that she has found her fellow Councilmembers to have great listening skills and a willingness to hear what people have to say. She noted the serious community issues raised by those who spoke and thanked them for their input. She shared that the Council greatly supports efforts to address the problems discussed through programs directly implemented by the City as well as those of other entities. She acknowledged that she is nearing the end of her Council term but committed to continuing to advocate for progress and solutions in Fairbanks.

Mr. Cleworth thanked everyone for providing testimony. He shared that in all his years of service, he has always found the City Council to be receptive to public input. He stated that Council meetings do well to have the Citizens' Comments period near the beginning of the agenda, noting that on occasion he has had to wait a long time, even as late as midnight, to testify at a Borough Assembly meeting. He expressed appreciation for the opportunity to allow additional time to hear all who had come to speak.

Ms. Tidwell thanked those in attendance and expressed her wish that every meeting involved a room full of engaged people. She acknowledged the theme across many comments of needing additional police and services. She discussed the concern that had been shared, where employees and J. Blakley felt conflicted by the need to call law enforcement but worried about adding to their call report. **Ms. Tidwell** declared that when she sees lengthy reports, she does not automatically assume the worst about any business and always seeks to understand the situation of that licensee. She affirmed that if any establishment needs to call the police, they should do so, and that she would rather see a six-page report, knowing that people were reporting problems accordingly. She stated she recognizes that the conversation may then need to shift to adequate City services. She indicated that any notion that a license would not be renewed because it was utilizing City services, especially for problems on a public sidewalk or street, was incredibly false. She spoke to the need

for the Council to figure out how to provide services the community needs, be it police, firefighters, or ambulances, including any necessary additional revenue options.

Mr. Marney shared that he has stated in the newspaper and on television that he does not believe it was the Council's intent to shut down the Mecca Bar. He noted that regardless, the situation had offered an opportunity to start an important conversation that he hopes can turn into a collaborative effort to fix certain City-wide problems. He indicated that he had learned a great deal through listening during the process and thanked those who had come out.

Mr. Ringstad corrected Ms. Rogers' recollection of the original vote on the Mecca Bar license renewal and stated it was 4-1, as he was absent that night. He pointed out that if he had been present, he would have also voted to waive protest. He agreed with Mr. Marney that the problem is on its way to being resolved. He suggested that the real issue at hand has to do more with the process of renewal applications than the actual grievances being aired but that he welcomed the healthy discussion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Request for reconsideration by Council Member Marney of the motion to WAIVE PROTEST on the alcohol license renewal application for the Mecca Bar. The motion to waive protest failed on September 9, 2024, and the request for reconsideration was filed with the City Clerk on September 10, 2024. A public hearing was held on September 9, 2024.

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
710	Mecca Bar	Beverage Dispensary	JRB, Inc.	549 2nd Avenue

Ms. Sprinkle, seconded by **Mr. Cleworth**, moved to RECONSIDER the motion to waive protest on the Mecca Bar alcohol license application for renewal.

Mr. Marney stated that he believes it is a problem that license holders are not directly notified when their license renewal application is on the agenda for a particular meeting. He shared that he will be working on an ordinance to change that process so licensees will be notified in the future.

Mr. Ringstad agreed that was a key point in what had transpired, noting that it was a poor Council-level policy and in no way reflects on the City Clerk.

Ms. Sprinkle spoke in favor of reconsideration as a way to discuss how to improve the process.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE MOTION TO WAIVE PROTEST ON THE MECCA BAR ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Tidwell, Cleworth, Marney, Ringstad, Sprinkle, Rogers
NAYS: None
Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Snider confirmed that, following the vote to reconsider, the motion on the floor was to waive protest on the Mecca Bar alcohol license application for renewal.

Mr. Ringstad indicated that this clearly is a City problem, not a business one, and that it is the Council's responsibility to work on updating internal processes while engaging with the owner on any other issues needing to be addressed. He acknowledged that the Council has often expressed the wish that owners be present when applications are considered. He spoke to the goal of improving the downtown experience, which will not be something achieved overnight. He stated that he does not believe there is a reason to protest the Mecca Bar's license and that he would like to help them to get back to focusing on their business just as the Council needs to focus on its own.

Mr. Marney expressed hope that the conversation with J. Blakley could be continued, and he extended the offer to share his phone number to anyone who would like to discuss things further. He acknowledged that J. Blakley runs a great bar and has great clientele. He indicated a desire to work towards solutions for the problems that had been highlighted.

Ms. Sprinkle referenced the police call reports included with license renewal applications and stated that the lack of detail makes the reports less and less helpful. She noted that businesses are often used as a landmark for a call even when the problem has nothing to do with the licensee. She stated that the information can be deceiving to the Council when reviewing applications and indicated that she would like to see some work on the entire process of license renewals.

Ms. Rogers pointed out that the process had come a long way during her years of service on the Council. She explained that the Council used to not get any kind of report and then, after the practice was started, the Council would sometimes hear about the tedious nature of staff preparing a detailed call list, which led to certain data points being trimmed away until settling into the format the Council sees now. She agreed that it is not beneficial in its current form and that the Council should discuss what it would like to see in the future.

Mr. Cleworth asked if J. Blakley could return to the podium. He thanked her for staying and shared that he owns a neighboring business on Second Avenue. He shared that he had spoken to J. Blakley recently about a significant improvement in the sidewalk activity over the last two weeks. He asked if employees had made any changes to their regular practices, such as asking people to not smoke outside the entrance, which is technically against the law. J. Blakley confirmed that they have been telling people outside smoking on the sidewalk that they need to leave and that they cannot smoke close to business entrances. **Mr. Cleworth** stated that it has made a notable difference and that his shop, which usually is filled with smells of cigarettes and marijuana from those outside the Mecca Bar, no longer has that issue. He noted how that one item has changed the entire environment. He acknowledged that the business is limited to what actions can be taken outside the premises and that certain things cannot be mandated, nor would he support approving the license renewal with such stipulations. He highlighted the positive change that came from such a small adjustment. **Mr. Cleworth** admitted that he does not understand why the bar is such a magnet for people meeting up to smoke, share a bottle of alcohol, yell, engage in fights, and huddle in the alcoves. He encouraged J. Blakley to continue doing whatever she has been doing the last two weeks, as that had eliminated about 80% of the problems. J. Blakley indicated that her only concern is staff safety and the lack of insurance coverage outside the premises. **Mr. Cleworth**

expressed his belief that no one needed to be injured, as the problems outside are plainly visible from inside the bar. He stated that the large glass windows are sufficient to communicate in other ways to people on the sidewalk. He recalled a former bartender at the Mecca Bar who would often monitor the issues and had no problem cracking open the door to tell people outside to “knock it off.” He noted that is essentially what he has seen over the last couple weeks and encouraged it to continue. He pointed out that the restriction of smoking within 20 feet from a business entrance means there is no legal spot along that entire sidewalk of Second Avenue where someone can or should be smoking. He recognized that no business owner can police someone smoking as they walk down the street but that the congregation of groups has been the problem. He thanked J. Blakley for her efforts. J. Blakley confirmed that they will continue to do their part.

Mayor Pruhs thanked J. Blakley for being present and willing to speak with the Council.

Ms. Rogers shared that over the decades, that area of Second Avenue has always been the place where folks from out of town would congregate due to the former presence of many shops that visitors would frequent. She expressed appreciation for the comments of J. Jones regarding the history and community aspect of the types of people who linger in the downtown area. She indicated that there are many misunderstandings that people should consider.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO WAIVE PROTEST ON THE MECCA BAR ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Cleworth, Marney, Ringstad, Sprinkle, Rogers, Tidwell

NAYS: None

Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED.

- b) Ordinance No. 6290 – An Ordinance Amending the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The City of Fairbanks and the Fairbanks Firefighters Union IAFF Local 1324 to Add Community Paramedic and Training Captain Positions. Introduced by Mayor Pruhs. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING.

Ms. Tidwell, seconded by **Ms. Sprinkle**, moved to ADOPT Ordinance No. 6290.

Mayor Pruhs called for testimony and hearing none, declared Public Testimony closed.

Mayor Pruhs asked Chief of Staff Michael Sanders to review the details of the ordinance.

M. Sanders explained that the ordinance was for two positions that were already funded in the current budget and will be added to the FFD. He reported that they had worked out all details, job descriptions, pay charts, and all other items needed to implement the positions once the ordinance is passed and the Letter of Agreement (LOA) signed.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 6290 AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Ringstad, Tidwell, Rogers, Sprinkle, Marney, Cleworth
NAYS: None
Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED and Ordinance
No. 6290 ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) Resolution No. 5136 – A Resolution In Support of Fairbanks North Star Borough Ordinance No. 2024-25 Amending FNSB Code Title 18 Regarding Parking and Loading Requirements. Introduced by Mayor Pruhs and Councilmembers Tidwell, Rogers, and Sprinkle.

Ms. Sprinkle, seconded by **Ms. Tidwell**, moved to APPROVE Resolution No. 5136.

Mr. Cleworth explained that at the last work session, he wanted to know if the Borough's plans were congruent with the City's own guidelines for parking in the downtown core area and had wondered if City Engineer Bob Pristash had reviewed the ordinance. He shared that he heard back from B. Pristash who stated he had identified five minor problems that would be worth discussing and could improve the proposal. He noted the goal of making it easier for people to get to businesses in the core area by eliminating certain parking requirements.

Mr. Cleworth, seconded by **Mr. Ringstad**, moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 5136 to the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2024.

Ms. Sprinkle stated she recalled hearing the Borough's Director of Community Planning, Kellen Spillman, claim that he had spoken with B. Pristash. **Mayor Pruhs** explained that from his understanding, that conversation did occur but that B. Pristash was only given two-days' notice in which to provide feedback. **Ms. Sprinkle** thanked the Mayor for the clarification.

Ms. Tidwell pointed out that the ordinance is the Borough's and asked if the Council's plan is to send over recommendations and request that they be implemented. **Mr. Cleworth** confirmed that they would communicate the notes from B. Pristash to K. Spillman who could work with the ordinance's sponsor to determine whether to incorporate the City's suggestions.

Mayor Pruhs added that he and B. Pristash had called the Borough Mayor to discuss a timeframe for the remaining work on the ordinance at the Borough level. He confirmed that the City will have its recommendations sent well before the Borough Assembly's next meeting, which will give them time to consider the suggestions.

Ms. Sprinkle asked whether everything would take place prior to or after the change of Borough Mayor, given the upcoming election. **Mayor Pruhs** assured the Council that it would be handled appropriately and that postponing the resolution would not cause any problems in the big picture.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO POSTPONE RESOLUTION NO. 5136 TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2024 AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Marney, Cleworth, Ringstad, Tidwell, Rogers, Sprinkle
NAYS: None
Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED and Resolution
No. 5136 POSTPONED.

- b) Ordinance No. 6291 – An Ordinance Increasing Staffing in the Fairbanks Fire Department by Six Firefighter and Three Captain Positions and Amending the 2024 Operating Budget. Introduced by Councilmembers Tidwell and Sprinkle.

Ms. Sprinkle, seconded by **Ms. Tidwell**, moved to ADVANCE Ordinance No. 6291.

Mr. Cleworth pointed out that in one month the Council will be presented with a 2025 budget and hear the needs for all departments – not just the FFD. He indicated that they will then be able to see if there is any funding available to add positions at the City and, if so, how many. He expressed his belief that the ordinance was premature.

Mr. Cleworth, seconded by **Mr. Ringstad**, moved to POSTPONE Ordinance No. 6291 to the Regular Meeting of December 16, 2024.

Ms. Tidwell stated that she was not in favor of postponement, citing earlier comments that outlined how the Council missed an important step when adding a third ambulance and approving the LOA to staff it: it failed to increase overall staffing to make the changes sustainable. She explained that every day the FFD is understaffed results in more overtime, which is already forecasted to be over \$2MM in 2024. She stated she would like to spend money on adding staff now in order to tackle the overtime crisis and added that the Council has been putting off the issue for far too long.

Mr. Ringstad stated that he does not disagree that there is an overtime problem and that something needs to be done soon. He shared his concern with going forward with the ordinance now, citing the Finance Committee's forecast of very troubling times ahead if current trends continue. He explained that the positions add another million dollars to the budget, plus annual increases, which only compounds the City's financial problems. He affirmed that public safety should be at the top of the Council's priority list but that he is not comfortable picking and choosing where to add such significant funding throughout the year, as it makes the budget process essentially pointless. **Mr. Ringstad** added that the City has been fortunate the last couple years to have some surpluses but that this has typically been due to one-time funding coming in from sources other than taxpayers, which is money that is not guaranteed for the future. He shared that a recent report showed that the only departments that are under budget in 2024 are only under budget because of position vacancies, which is a situation that may not repeat in 2025. He reiterated that the Council has a lot of issues that need to be addressed in order to prioritize where City funds go and that they cannot be making such huge long-term commitments just a month away from the budgeting cycle.

Ms. Sprinkle acknowledged the concern about the financial commitments but pointed out that throwing more and more money at the problem in the form of overtime expenses was not helping anyone either. She stated that the departments that have vacancies are also not dealing with overtime concerns like the FFD. She stated that the Council needs to do something, even if it means adding less staff than was originally proposed in the ordinance.

Mr. Marney referenced a grant that the City received in the past that supported FFD staffing and asked if the City was still receiving it. **M. Sanders** indicated that the SAFER grant had run its course. **Mr. Marney** asked if the City reapplies for it every year. **Mayor Pruhs** reported that the City has applied for it but has not received it again. He pointed out that the City has not eliminated the FFD positions hired with that grant funding.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO POSTPONE ORDINANCE NO. 6291 TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2024 AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Cleworth, Ringstad
NAYS: Sprinkle, Marney, Tidwell, Rogers
Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION FAILED.

Mr. Cleworth pointed out that the reason for the overtime is because a couple years ago the Council signed an LOA which originally had a deadline attached. He stated the Council learned later that the end date could not be included and meant the new positions and parameters were added to the contract in perpetuity unless renegotiated. He explained that the artificial minimum staffing level of 13 means that there will be overtime on virtually every shift, which clearly is not healthy, and he has no idea why both parties agreed to the terms. **Mr. Cleworth** referenced the FPD's stance that they will not have forced overtime and suggested that the same should be implemented at the FFD. He stated that they could return to a minimum staffing level of 11, which was in place in 2019, and provide the level of service the City can afford. He suggested that if he was the head of Public Works, Engineering, FPD, or another department, he would feel upset by what is happening. He asserted that he had never seen an effort to add such a massive, fixed cost at this point in a year and acknowledged that the Council had painted itself into a corner by approving the LOA. He discussed the mistake of allowing the minimum staffing to grow to 13 and declared that the problem would not be solved by institutionalizing it and hiring more people. He reiterated that there are more departments at the City than the FFD and that the upcoming budget process is already going to be difficult. He stated the responsible choice is to wait on the issue.

Ms. Tidwell spoke to the increased call volumes since 2019 and stated that the Council decided it wanted the FFD to answer those calls. She stated that required more people, yet the Council never gave FFD more people. She recalled the news articles at that time which discussed the call volume and wait times for people to get help. She pointed out that the LOA was signed because it was what the department needed at the time to provide the services and that the Council needs to approve the number of positions to staff shifts in a way that does not result in overtime. She indicated that she views the LOA as the right thing to have done at that time.

Ms. Sprinkle added that part of those changes included the addition of a third ambulance, which the City needs to continue to operate.

Mr. Ringstad spoke to the dire situation of the Fairbanks Emergency Communication Center (FECC), which is also incredibly understaffed, with dispatchers struggling with similar work-life balance challenges. He asserted that FECC personnel are also a critical part of the public safety

system. He noted that more money has been spent on the FFD than on all others and that first responders cannot be called out if there is no one to answer the phone.

Mr. Marney shared that he voted against postponement because he felt December was too far away, suggesting that the Council should have a clear idea of the budget by November. **Mayor Pruhs** stated that he will have his budget to the Council on Monday, October 28. He reminded Councilmembers that there will be budget work sessions during the first two weeks of November and that whether the ordinance is passed or not, they will be receiving a budget that encompasses everything. He agreed that the request is too early and that the needs of all departments should be considered altogether before the Council commits to adding nine more positions at the FFD. He reiterated that the City could have discharged positions from the FFD after the grant funding ran out, but it did not.

Mr. Marney, seconded by **Mr. Ringstad**, moved to POSTPONE Ordinance No. 6291 to the Regular Meeting of November 18, 2024.

Ms. Sprinkle asked to confirm that the Council would, at that time, have all information available for review. **Mayor Pruhs** confirmed that the Council will have had two weeks of budget work sessions and will have gone through each department's needs. He stated that November 18 would also be the first reading of the 2025 budget ordinance.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO POSTPONE ORDINANCE NO. 6291 TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 18, 2024 AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Marney, Cleworth, Rogers, Sprinkle, Ringstad

NAYS: Tidwell

Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED.

c) Record of City Council Executive Sessions

City Attorney Thomas Chard stated that Alaska laws, the City's Charter, and the Fairbanks General Code all affirm that the City Council can conduct business as it sees fit, within certain parameters. He explained that the recording of Executive Sessions is not something required by any of those governing resources and that doing so is solely a procedural decision of the Council which has been in place for many years. He suggested that, given the questions that had been raised on the topic in recent discussions, it would be appropriate to have a vote on the record regarding how the Council would like to proceed with the practice of recording Executive Sessions.

Mr. Ringstad, seconded by **Ms. Tidwell**, moved to DISCONTINUE the practice of recording Executive Sessions.

Mr. Ringstad stated that he believes the purpose of Executive Sessions is for members of the Council to have open, honest, and free discussions, without hesitation. He acknowledged that conversations are typically about critical issues that should not be discussed in a public setting and that laws govern what kinds of topics qualify for Executive Session discussions. He shared that he has seen numerous examples over the last 40 years of individuals hesitating to say what they truly

felt based on the presence of cameras or other recording equipment. He indicated that the knowledge of being recording not hinder the honest and necessary conversations.

Mr. Cleworth shared that in the 1990's a Councilmember decided to talk about matters that had been discussed in Executive Session and that the opposing attorneys in an active legal matter got wind of it and spoke to the Councilmember. He explained that they subpoenaed the record of the Executive Session. He stated that, somehow, they were able to get the record, which created a significant problem for the internal balance, unity, and cohesion of the Council at that time. He added that dialogue from the Executive Session was published verbatim in the newspaper which was very unfortunate. He expressed concern that a similar situation could arise.

Attorney Chard thanked Mr. Cleworth for providing historical context on the issue and shared that he had gone back and read about that incident for his own knowledge. He explained that an Executive Session, held correctly in accordance with the Open Meetings Act (OMA), is in fact a confidential session. He stated that if the Council entered an Executive Session appropriately and then inadvertently veered off topic, anything other than what was publicly noticed as the subject of the Executive Session would be potentially disclosable. He noted that if a recording exists and that scenario occurs, someone will have to listen to the recording and determine whether every individual statement made during the Executive Session was covered under the OMA, and those matters which were not would be subject to disclosure. Attorney Chard added that if a Councilmember chose to personally record a confidential session, the Council would have discretion for handling that situation by policing its own members. He stated that some states have specific punitive parameters in place for such action but, to his knowledge, Alaska does not.

Mr. Cleworth thanked Attorney Chard for the explanation and noted that it has always been the Council's policy to ensure that the City Attorney is present in all Executive Sessions, which helps prevent discussion from veering off-topic. He agreed that it is important to maintain a system of the Council monitoring itself.

Mr. Ringstad concurred that they should continue the practice of including the City Attorney in Executive Sessions to help keep them on track. He indicated that he has seen nothing to give him anything other than great confidence and trust in his fellow Councilmembers. He stated the Council has a great ability to resolve issues, and that is one of its greatest strengths.

Mr. Rogers stated she prefers to continue recording Executive Sessions because she would like an official record to exist. She stated that an accurate account would help refute any accusations.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO DISCONTINUE THE PRACTICE OF RECORDING EXECUTIVE SESSIONS AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Tidwell, Cleworth, Ringstad, Marney, Sprinkle

NAYS: Rogers

Mayor Pruhs declared the MOTION CARRIED.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL

- a) Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2024

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA

- b) Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2024

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA

- c) Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes of July 30, 2024

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA

- d) Clay Street Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2024

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA

- e) Fairbanks Diversity Council Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2024

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Tidwell shared an update from Jomo Stewart, President and CEO of the Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation (FEDC). She reported that the recent Alaska Defense Forum was, by all accounts, the best one yet. She added that planning for the 2025 event had already commenced. She stated that the Alaska Interior Small Business Accelerator had kicked off earlier in the day, with 18 applicants participating. She noted that the Tri-Municipality Economic Development Memorandum of Agreement had been signed and officially adopted on September 6 and that the restoration of funding to FEDC was underway. She shared that the FEDC board voted unanimously to formally pursue receiving designation as the Alaska Regional Development Organization (ARDOR) for the Interior and that the Council will likely be presented with a resolution of support.

Mr. Ringstad asked if the FEDC would be reaching out to municipalities outside of the Borough that would fall under the regional umbrella of the ARDOR. **Ms. Sprinkle** stated that had been briefly discussed and, while there are many moving parts to the process, bringing representatives from outlying communities onto the board for the ARDOR will be part of the eventual plan.

Ms. Sprinkle reported that the Chena Riverfront Commission held a special meeting to consider the request by an entity to rezone a piece of land in order to build a condo for friends and family off Airport Way on the river. She stated that there are many moving parts, but the request was approved. She shared that she is glad the Mecca Bar license renewal is moving forward but that she still feels it is essential to review individual licenses when any question or concern lingers. She indicated that the call reports are a quagmire and often do not help with the process. She expressed frustration with the public intoxication that seems to be widely condoned across the City, be it

sidewalks, streets, or parks. **Ms. Sprinkle** acknowledged that increased law enforcement comes at a price and suggested that the City may need to look at its alcohol tax. She added that she had personally spoken with an insurance professional who insisted that coverage would extend beyond the front door for a business like the Mecca Bar, but she realized it would not have been beneficial to debate with people expressing themselves. She stated that the problems that persist in front of the Mecca Bar make it less of a good neighbor. She added that there were many individuals who would have liked to have spoken in support of protesting the license but chose not to out of fear of retribution. **Mayor Pruhs** expressed appreciation for the concern Ms. Sprinkle shows.

Mr. Cleworth reported that there has been a broken window in the tower at the Lavery Center since earlier in the summer and requested an update from Public Works, as winter is approaching fast. He spoke of the interesting discussion that had occurred during the meeting and noted that it has happened many times as the community considers problems downtown, who is responsible, and what can be done. He asserted that having more police is not the answer and referenced the noticeable improvements he had seen along Second Avenue over the last two weeks. He pointed out that all it takes is people speaking up, pointing out that certain activities are illegal, and reminding folks that it gives a bad name to any business where the activity is taking place – even if they are not within the licensed premises. He affirmed his desire for businesses to coexist regardless of the difference in industries and that more can be done to ensure laws are enforced.

Mr. Marney stated that he was happy to hear the news about the FEDC and the ARDOR. He suggested a collaboration with FECC Manager Kristi Meredith on the coding of calls in order to have more useful reports when considering license renewals. He reported that he missed the last Explore Fairbanks board meeting as he was helping prepare food boxes at a nonprofit organization due to a lack of volunteers. He stated that he would be attending the next board meeting soon. He shared that he had thank you cards for the two seasonal police officers who had spent the summer patrolling the GHP and invited others to sign the cards before leaving.

Ms. Rogers shared that she recently met with Anna Nelson from the Interior Aids Association and that she will be joining that committee. She discussed the Mecca Bar issue, noting the significant level of public inebriation and the lack of enforcement – not just in the downtown area. She suggested that discrimination occurs at a much larger scale than what was discussed earlier and that problems are far greater than what is happening on Second Avenue.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Snider stated that she appreciated the ideas shared regarding potential updates to the Fairbanks General Code and the process for license renewals. She indicated that sections of Code pertaining to the issues had not been looked at in a long time and that she and the City Attorney could work together on a review.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Chard stated that he had nothing to report and thanked those present for their commitment to the community.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Tidwell, seconded by **Ms. Sprinkle**, moved to ADJOURN the meeting.

Mayor Pruhs called for objection and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

Mayor Pruhs declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

DAVID PRUHS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

D. DANYIELLE SNIDER, MMC, CITY CLERK

Transcribed by: CC



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Pruhs and City Council Members

FROM: D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk



SUBJECT: Alcohol License Renewal Applications

DATE: October 9, 2024

Notice has been received from the State Alcohol & Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) for the following alcohol license renewal applications:

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
4772	Chickentown Teriyaki	Restaurant/Eating Place	Two Star, LLC	1454 S. Cushman Street
4941	Seoul Gate Restaurant	Restaurant/Eating Place	Seoul Gate, Inc.	958 Cowles Street
4831	Irashai Japanese Restaurant	Restaurant/Eating Place	2Giro, Inc.	419 Merhar Avenue, Suite B
4247	Brewster's	Beverage Dispensary	Restaurant Concepts, LLC	3578 Airport Way
6069	Hari Om Cuisine of India	Restaurant/Eating Place	A Paul, LLC	1528 S. Cushman Street
2565	Ed Dorado Bar & Grill	Beverage Dispensary	Eldorado Bar & Grill, Inc.	530 3rd Avenue
542	Geraldo's Restaurant	Beverage Dispensary	Garlic Lovers, LLC	701 College Road
252	The Cabin	Beverage Dispensary	Avo Hospitality, LLC	901 Old Steese Highway

Pursuant to FGC Sec. 14-178 the Council must determine whether to protest alcohol license renewal applications after holding a public hearing. The 60-day response deadline to AMCO is October 25, 2024.

The Police Department has included call reports for the locations listed above, but **there are no department-recommended protests** for these alcohol license renewal applications.

Link

Event ID

Call recv



AVL



Print



Report

Event Info

Notes

Times

R/E Log

Other

Log Entry

Ani/Ali

Patients

Employee

Names

Vehicles

Search Call Received Day/Time

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Call time

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Call date

09/12/2023 00:00:00

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09/10/2024 23:59:59

Call recv



Time from call received

Finish to dispatch

000:00:00

Call routed

ONESolution CAD



No match found.

Ok

(Call finish to 1st disp)

dispatch

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(Call route to 1st disp)

Call take finish

reaction

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1st arrive

Last clear



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Calculate Avgs

On-scene

000:00:00

(1st arrive to last clear)

☒ Include delayed events☐ Include cancelled events

View Text

Re-Open



Prev



Next



Add



Duplicate



Delete



Search



View



Exit Srch

LinkEvent IDCall rcvAVLPrint

Report

- Event Info
- Notes
- Times
- R/E Log
- Other
- Log Entry
- Ani/Ali
- Patients
- Employee
- Names
- Vehicles

Search Call Received Day/Time

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Call time: : - : :

Call date09/12/2023 00:00:00- 09/10/2024 23:59:59

Call rcv	<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Time from call received"/>	Finish to dispatch	<input type="text"/> 000:00:00
Call routed	<input type="text"/>		(Call finish to 1st disp)	
Call take finish	<input type="text"/>		dispatch	<input type="text"/> 000:00:00
1st dispatch	<input type="text"/>		(Call route to 1st disp)	
1st enroute	<input type="text"/>		reaction	<input type="text"/> 000:00:00
1st arrive	<input type="text"/>		(1st dispatch to 1st arrive)	
Last clear	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> 000:00:00	En-route	<input type="text"/> 000:00:00
			(1st dispatch to 1st enroute)	
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			(1st arrive to last clear)	

ONESolution CAD

No match found.

Ok

☒ Include delayed events

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Re-Open

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers

Irashai Japanese Restaurant

Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
24001769	08/13/2024 08:01:24	ALARM OTHER - BRAVO	419 MERHAR AVE	O13	NRP	08/13/2024 08:22:38
	06/07/2024 02:50:03	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O30	FAB	06/07/2024 03:10:43
	06/04/2024 13:19:02	FRAUD/FORGERY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O50	RPT	06/04/2024 14:53:16
	05/21/2024 05:59:02	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O37	FAB	05/21/2024 06:20:41
	05/20/2024 21:03:01	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O42	FAB	05/20/2024 21:49:25
	05/20/2024 07:35:11	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	S19	FAB	05/20/2024 08:00:12
	05/17/2024 23:46:58	RECKLESS ACTIVITY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O8	NRP	05/18/2024 00:20:25
	05/14/2024 21:05:25	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O42	FAB	05/14/2024 21:13:20
	04/25/2024 20:46:38	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O11	NRP	04/25/2024 21:01:41
	04/24/2024 11:27:01	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O6	FAB	04/24/2024 12:32:41
24000305	04/22/2024 23:30:22	ALARM BURGLARY -	419 MERHAR AVE	O16	FAB	04/22/2024 23:42:10
	04/06/2024 18:02:07	DISTURBANCE VERBAL	419 MERHAR AVE	O50	SUBL	04/06/2024 18:20:36
	02/24/2024 13:06:08	SUSPICIOUS	419 MERHAR AVE	O31	NRP	02/24/2024 13:31:24
	01/30/2024 11:50:54	TRESPASS/UNWANTED -	419 MERHAR AVE	O37	RPT	01/30/2024 13:33:46

Total Number of Events Listed: 14

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers

Brewsters

Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
24003084	09/09/2024 22:38:37	THEFT - DELTA	3578 AIRPORT WAY	O28	RPT	09/10/2024 06:25:09
	09/09/2024 13:10:21	SUSP CIRCUMSTANCES -	3578 AIRPORT WAY	O33	NRP	09/09/2024 20:43:31
	05/22/2024 17:07:51	TRESPASS/UNWANTED -	3578 AIRPORT WAY	O42	NRP	05/22/2024 17:22:56
	10/14/2023 13:52:26	INCAPACITATED PERSON	3578 AIRPORT WAY	O2	SUBL	10/14/2023 14:49:32

Total Number of Events Listed: 4

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers

Hari Om

Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
	07/03/2024 17:02:28	TRESPASS/UNWANTED -	1528 S CUSHMAN ST	O42	NRP	07/03/2024 17:21:09
	01/03/2024 14:04:54	URGENT WELFARE	1528 S CUSHMAN ST	O6	NRP	01/03/2024 14:47:52
	11/27/2023 01:07:34	SI - FIELD CONTACT	1528 S CUSHMAN ST	O20	NRP	11/27/2023 01:11:41
	10/24/2023 17:46:27	911 HANG-UP - CHARLIE	1528 S CUSHMAN ST	O8	NRP	10/24/2023 18:06:50

Total Number of Events Listed: 4

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers

El Dorado

Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
	09/17/2023 00:23:22	DISTURBANCE	530 THIRD AVE	O20	NRP	09/17/2023 00:39:10

Total Number of Events Listed: 1

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers

Geraldo`s

Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
	08/28/2024 02:25:57	ALARM BURGLARY -	701 COLLEGE RD	O37	FAB	08/28/2024 02:39:14
	08/09/2024 20:23:08	REDDI	701 COLLEGE RD	O11	NRP	08/09/2024 20:42:50
	05/05/2024 10:03:41	ALARM BURGLARY -	701 COLLEGE RD	O50	FAB	05/05/2024 10:37:40
	04/04/2024 22:09:58	TRESPASS/UNWANTED -	701 COLLEGE RD	O30	NRP	04/04/2024 23:06:33
	03/02/2024 19:49:59	DISTURBANCE	701 COLLEGE RD	O5	NRP	03/02/2024 20:10:48
24000656	03/02/2024 14:09:03	FOUND PROPERTY -	701 COLLEGE RD	O8	RPT	03/02/2024 22:11:57
	02/22/2024 11:03:49	ALARM BURGLARY -	701 COLLEGE RD	O6	FAN	02/22/2024 11:47:08
	02/08/2024 16:57:57	INCAPACITATED PERSON	701 COLLEGE RD	O42	NRP	02/08/2024 18:37:15
23004756	12/28/2023 18:24:23	HITRUN - NO/MINOR INJ -	701 COLLEGE RD	O8	RPT	12/28/2023 20:06:24
	10/30/2023 09:37:05	ALARM BURGLARY -	701 COLLEGE RD	S5	FAB	10/30/2023 09:57:26
	10/23/2023 18:04:13	MINOR TRAF VIOL/COMP	701 COLLEGE RD	O6	NRP	10/23/2023 18:19:31

Total Number of Events Listed: 11

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers

The Cabin

Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
24002898	08/27/2024 22:23:51	REDDI	901 OLD STEESE HWY	O16	RPT	08/27/2024 23:54:36
24002834	08/22/2024 18:23:25	HITRUN - NO/MINOR INJ -	901 OLD STEESE HWY	O42	RPT	08/22/2024 22:36:41
	06/16/2024 22:33:59	ALARM BURGLARY -	901 OLD STEESE HWY	O28	FAB	06/16/2024 22:47:19
	02/23/2024 23:28:33	TRESPASS/UNWANTED -	901 OLD STEESE HWY	S19	NRP	02/23/2024 23:38:54
	01/09/2024 15:40:31	MVC - NO INJURIES -	901 OLD STEESE HWY	DESK	NRP	01/09/2024 15:52:58
23004307	11/19/2023 02:55:45	MISCHIEF - BRAVO	901 OLD STEESE HWY	O6	RPT	11/19/2023 18:13:17
	10/18/2023 21:18:01	DISTURBANCE PHYSICAL	901 OLD STEESE HWY	O30	NRP	10/18/2023 23:29:35
	09/28/2023 00:17:30	ALARM BURGLARY -	901 OLD STEESE HWY	O5	FAB	09/28/2023 00:30:18

Total Number of Events Listed: 8



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Pruhs and City Council Members

FROM: D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk



SUBJECT: Marijuana License Renewals

DATE: October 9, 2024

Notice has been received from the State Alcohol & Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) for the following marijuana license renewal applications:

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Address
10131	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	Retail Marijuana Store	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	1851 Fox Avenue
10230	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	1851 Fox Avenue

Pursuant to FGC Sec. 14-214 and 3 AAC 306.060, the Council may determine whether to protest a marijuana license renewal application after holding a public hearing. The 60-day deadline for response to AMCO on the above-listed renewals is October 27, 2024.

Pursuant to FGC Sec. 14-215(b)(12), I have inquired about complaints filed within the past 12 months with the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) and AMCO in regard to this marijuana establishment. FNSB and AMCO responded that they have no complaints on file for any of these licenses within the past year.

The Police Department has included a call report for the location listed above, but **there are no department-recommended protests** for these marijuana license renewal applications.

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers
Pakalolo Supply Company


Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
	04/20/2024 04:26:43	ALARM BURGLARY -	1851 FOX AVE	O30	NRP	04/20/2024 04:37:10
	01/05/2024 17:13:30	MVC - UNK INJURIES -	1851 FOX AVE	L4	NRP	01/05/2024 17:27:08
	12/03/2023 19:37:37	COMMERCIAL BURGLARY	1851 FOX AVE	O50	NRP	12/03/2023 19:45:05

Total Number of Events Listed: 3



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Pruhs and City Council Members

FROM: D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk 

SUBJECT: Application for Alcohol License Transfer of Ownership and Restaurant Endorsement

DATE: October 9, 2024

An application has been received by the State Alcohol Beverage Control Board for transfer of ownership and restaurant endorsement for the following alcohol license:

License Type, No.: Beverage Dispensary, License #2124
DBA: **Fenders**
Licensee/Applicant: D.B.& Fu, LLC
Location: 636 28th Avenue, Fairbanks

A restaurant endorsement permits persons under the age of 21 access to the premises to consume food and non-alcoholic beverages.

Pursuant to FGC Sec. 14-178 the Council must determine whether or not to protest the alcohol license action after holding a public hearing. The 60-day response deadline to AMCO is October 29, 2024.

The Police Department has included a call report for the location, but **there are no department-recommended protests** to the application for transfer and restaurant endorsement for this alcohol license.

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PUBLIC SAFETY

Event List with Report Numbers

Fenders

Report #	Call Time	Nature	Location	Prime Unit	Disp.	Close Time
	07/24/2024 01:54:39	SUSPICIOUS PERSON -	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	O37	NRP	07/24/2024 02:36:24
	03/10/2024 08:47:47	PARKING COMPLAINT -	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	S21	NRP	03/10/2024 12:11:49
24000740	03/10/2024 07:10:34	WELFARE CHECK - LOG	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	O28	RPT	03/10/2024 08:04:57
24000688	03/06/2024 07:50:14	SI - FOLLOW-UP	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	S21	RPT	03/07/2024 12:41:31
	02/05/2024 16:49:26	PAST HIT & RUN - ALPHA	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	O31	NRP	02/05/2024 18:06:15
24000198	01/17/2024 23:05:59	SI - FOLLOW-UP	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	O20	RPT	01/17/2024 23:11:00
	01/17/2024 22:54:20	10-36	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	O20	WARN	01/17/2024 23:05:27
	10/05/2023 13:38:11	FRAUD/FORGERY -	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	O27	NRP	10/05/2023 15:10:39
23003760	10/01/2023 21:16:23	SEXUAL ASLT - BRAVO	636 TWENTY-EIGHTH	O31	RPT	10/01/2023 22:14:28

Total Number of Events Listed: 9




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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Pruhs and City Council Members

FROM: D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk 

SUBJECT: Application for New Sporting Activity/Event Alcohol License

DATE: October 9, 2024

An application has been received from the State of Alaska Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) for the following new sporting activity/event alcohol license:

License #: **6195**
License Type: Sporting Activity/Event License
D.B.A.: **Alaska Axe Co.**
Licensee/Applicant: JK Enterprise, LLC
Physical Location: 3501 Lathrop Street, Fairbanks

Corp/LLC Agent:	Mailing Address	Phone	Date/State of Ltd Partner/Corp	Good standing?
JK Enterprise, LLC Kenneth Spann	3501 Lathrop Street, Unit B Fairbanks, AK 99701	907-744-0390	01/14/2021 – AK	Yes

Member/Officer/Director:	Address	Phone	Title/Shares (%)
Kenneth Spann	PO Box 16058 Two Rivers, AK 99716	907-744-0390	Member / 50%
Joshua Evenson	219 2nd Avenue NE Fairfax, MN 55332	907-371-4317	Member / 50%

According to AS 04.09.270, the holder of a sporting activity or event license may sell brewed beverages and wine at a sporting activity or event site during and one hour before and after an event, that is not a school activity or event, for consumption on designated areas at the site.

Pursuant to FGC Sec. 14-178, the City Council may determine whether to protest or waive protest on an alcohol license application after holding a public hearing. The 60-day deadline for the City's response to AMCO is October 25, 2024.

Pursuant to FGC Sec. 14-168(a)(2), a notice of the date, time, and place of the public hearing has been mailed to all property owners within 500 feet of the proposed location, including the licensee, and a notice of the public hearing will be advertised in the Fairbanks Daily News Miner on Friday, October 11, 2024.

The Police Department has included a call report for the location, but **there are no department-recommended protests** to this application.



Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Form AB-00: New License Application

Why is this form needed?

This application for a license is required for all individuals or entities seeking to apply for a new alcoholic beverage license. Applicants should review **Title 04 of Alaska Statutes** and **Chapter 305 of the Alaska Administrative Code**. All fields of this form must be completed, per AS 04.11.260 and 3 AAC 305.045.

This form must be completed and submitted to AMCO's Anchorage office, along with all other required forms and fees before any license application will be considered complete and placed in the queue for a licensing examiner review.

Section 1 – Establishment and Contact Information

Enter information for the business seeking to be licensed.

Applicant:	JK Enterprise LLC				
License Type:	Sporting Activity or Event License		Statutory Reference:	AS 04.09.270	
Doing Business As:	Alaska Axe Co				
Premises Address:	3501 Lathrop St Unit B				
City:	Fairbanks	State:	Ak	ZIP:	99701
Local Governing Body/Bodies:	Fairbanks Northstar Borough				
Community Council, (If applicable):					

Mailing Address:	3501 Lathrop St Unit B				
City:	Fairbanks	State:	Ak	ZIP:	99701

Designated Individual with Binding Authority to apply for this License:	Kenneth Spann				
Contact Phone:	907-744-0390	Business Phone:	907-328-2288		
Contact Email:	akaxecofbx@gmail.com				

Seasonal License? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", write your operating period not exceeding
Six months each year: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY				
Complete Date:		License Years:		License #:
Board Meeting Date:		Transaction #:		
Issue Date:		Examiner:		





Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Form AB-00: New License Application

Section 2 – Premises Information

Premises to be licensed



an existing facility



a new building



a proposed building

The next two questions must be completed by an applicant for a beverage dispensary or beverage dispensary tourism license and package store applicant only:

What is the distance of the shortest pedestrian route from the public entrance of the building of your proposed premises to the outer boundaries of the nearest school grounds? Include the unit of measurement in your answer.

What is the distance of the shortest pedestrian route from the public entrance of the building of your proposed premises to the public entrance of the nearest church building? Include the unit of measurement in your answer.

Section 3 – Sole Proprietor Ownership Information

This section must be completed by any sole proprietor who is applying for a license. Entities should skip to Section 4.

If more space is needed, please attach a separate sheet with the required information.

The following information must be completed for each licensee and each affiliate (spouse).

This individual is an: ☐ applicant ☐ affiliate

Name:					
Address:					
City:		State:		ZIP:	
Email:		Phone Number:			

This individual is an: ☐ applicant ☐ affiliate

Name:					
Address:					
City:		State:		ZIP:	
Email:		Phone Number:			





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Form AB-00: New License Application

Section 4 – Entity Ownership Information

This section must be completed by any entity, including a corporation, limited liability company (LLC), partnership, or limited partnership, that is applying for a license. Sole proprietors should skip to Section 5.

If more space is needed, please attach a separate sheet with the required information.

- If the applicant is a corporation, the application shall be executed by an authorized officer of the Corporation. Information must be completed below for each stockholder who owns 10% or more of the stock in the corporation, and for each president, vice-president, secretary, and managing officer.
- If the applicant is a limited liability organization, whether manager managed or member managed, the following information must be completed for each member with an ownership interest of 10% or more and for each manager regardless of ownership share.
- If the applicant is a partnership, including a limited partnership, the following information must be completed for each partner with an interest of 10% or more, and for each general partner.
- For any entity, identify all affiliates for your organization as defined at 3 AAC 305.950.

Entity Official:	Kenneth Spann				
Title(s):	Member	Phone:	907-744-0390	% Owned:	50%
Address:	PO Box 16058				
City:	Two Rivers	State:	Ak	ZIP:	99716
Email:	kennyspann21@gmail.com				

Entity Official:	Joshua Evenson				
Title(s):	Member	Phone:	907-371-4317	% Owned:	50%
Address:	219 2nd Ave NE				
City:	Fairfax	State:	Mn	ZIP:	55332
Email:	joshevenson466@gmail.com				

Entity Official:					
Title(s):		Phone:		% Owned:	
Address:					
City:		State:		ZIP:	

Entity Official:					
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This subsection must be completed by any applicant that is a corporation or LLC or who has registered as a business entity with the Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing (CBPL). Any entity registered or required to be registered with CBPL must be in good standing and have a registered agent as defined at AS 04.11.430.

CBPL Entity #:	10152473	AK Formed Date:	01/14/2021	Home State:	Alaska
Registered Agent:	Kenneth Spann	Agent's Phone:	907-744-0390		
Agent's Mailing Address:	3501 Lathrop St Unit B				
City:	Fairbanks	State:	Ak	ZIP:	99701
Email:	akaxecofbx@gmail.com				

Does your registered agent satisfy the requirement of AS 04.11.430?

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 5 – Other Licenses

Ownership and financial interest in other alcoholic beverage businesses.

Yes No

Does any representative or owner named in this application have any direct or indirect financial interest in any other alcoholic beverage business that does business in or is licensed in Alaska?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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If "Yes", disclose which individual(s) has the financial interest, what the type of business is, and if licensed in Alaska, which license number(s) and license type(s):

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Section 6 – Authorization

Communication with AMCO staff:

Yes No

Does any person other than a licensee named in this application have authority to discuss this license with AMCO staff?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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If "Yes", disclose the name of the individual and contact information for the individual, including phone number and email, and the authority for this authorization:

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Section 7 – Attestations

Read each line below, and then sign your initials in the box to the right of each statement:

Initials

I certify that all proposed licensees (as defined in AS 04.11.260) and affiliates have been listed on this application.

KS

I certify that I understand that providing a false statement on this form or any other form provided by AMCO is grounds for rejection or denial of this application or revocation of any license issued.

KS

I certify that all licensees, agents, and employees who sell or serve alcoholic beverages or check the identification of a patron will complete an approved alcohol server education course, if required by AS 04.21.025, and, while selling or serving alcoholic beverages, will carry or have available to show a current course card or a photocopy of the card certifying completion of approved alcohol server education course, if required by 3 AAC 305.700.

KS

I agree to provide all information required by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board in support of this application.

KS

I hereby certify that I am the person herein named and subscribing to this application and I know the full content thereof. I declare that all of the information contained herein, and evidence or other documents submitted are true and correct. I understand that any falsification or misrepresentation of any item or response in this application, or any attachment, or documents to support this application, is sufficient grounds for denying or revoking a license/permit. I further understand that it is a Class A misdemeanor under Alaska Statute 11.56.210 to falsify an application and commit the crime of unsworn falsification.

KS

I certify that all proposed licensees have been listed with Division of Corporation, Business and Professional Licensing.

KS

I certify that I and any individual identified in the business entity ownership section of this application, has or will read AS 04 and its implementing regulations.

KS

Kenneth Spann

Printed name of licensee

Signature of licensee





Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Form AB-02: Premises Diagram**Why is this form needed?**

A detailed diagram of the proposed licensed premises is required for all alcohol license applications, per AS 04.11.260, 3 AAC 305.630 and 3 AAC 305.660. Your diagram must include dimensions and must show all entrances and boundaries of the premises, walls, bars, fixtures, and areas of storage, service, consumption, and manufacturing.

This form must be completed and submitted to AMCO's Anchorage office before any license application will be considered complete. You may attach blueprints or other detailed drawings that meet the requirements of this form.

The diagram MUST include:

- You must use a **solid, contiguous red line** to outline the outer perimeter of your premises with no breaks or separations.
 - The red outline is required to follow a physical barrier (wall, fence and even across doorways).
 - There should be no red lines within the perimeter
- Each area should be clearly labeled in any color other than red where alcohol is:
 - Stored
 - Served/Sold
 - Manufactured
 - Consumed
- All diagrams must include:
 - Dimensions (AMCO does not accept diagrams drawn to scale)
 - Cross streets
 - Points of reference, such as a compass rose indicating True North
 - All entrances, exits, walls, bars, and fixtures
- If your premises include multiple floors, please include a separate diagram of each floor.
 - You must identify the stairs between each floor, and each hallway/corridor that leads to each set of stairs.
- If your premises includes multiple floors, please include a separate diagram of each floor. You must identify the stairs between each floor, and each hallway/corridor that leads to each set of stairs.
- If your proposed premises is located within a building or building complex that contains multiple businesses and/or tenants, please provide an additional page that clearly shows the location of your proposed premises within the building or building complex, along with the addresses and/or suite numbers of the other businesses and/or tenants within the building or building complex.
- **Any license applications that include outdoor space** are required to submit a security plan that includes information about the barriers, practices, and personnel that are to be used to ensure that alcohol is not introduced or removed from the permitted premises and to prevent the access of alcohol by a minor during the permitted event. A security plan may be requested for other proposed locations on a case-by-case basis.

Section 1 – Establishment Information

Enter information for the business seeking to be licensed, as identified on the license application.

Licensee:	JK Enterprise LLC	License Number:	
License Type:	Sporting Activity or Event License		
Doing Business As:	Alaska Axe Co		
Premises Address:	3501 Lathrop St Unit B		
City:	Fairbanks	State:	Ak
		ZIP:	99701





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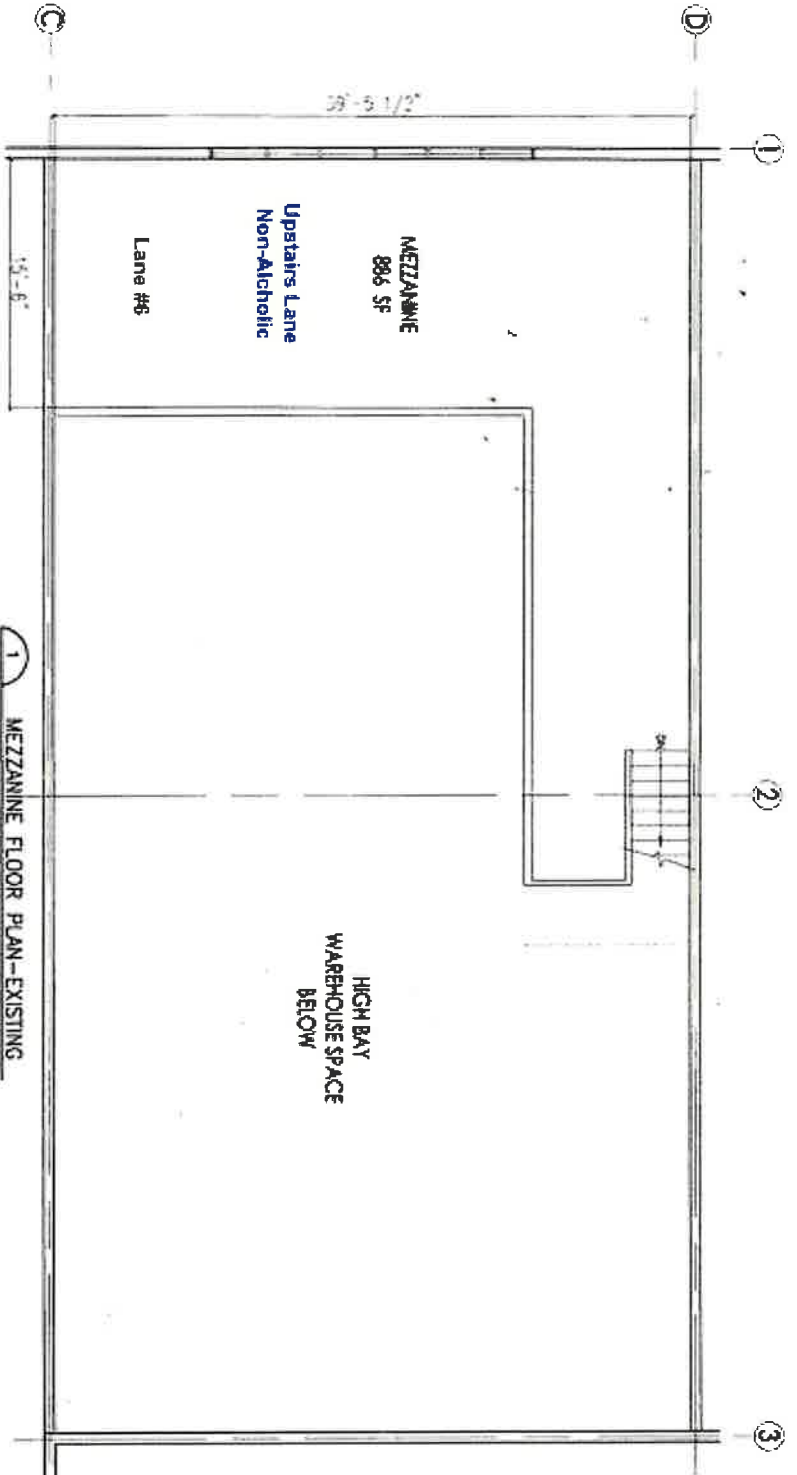
Form AB-02: Premises Diagram

Section 2 – Detailed Premises Diagram

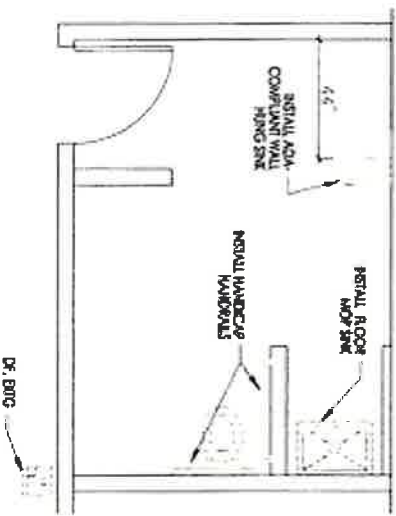
Clearly indicate the boundaries of the premises and the proposed licensed area within that property. See above for detailed instructions.

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<p>2 MEZZANINE FLOOR PLAN-EXISTING SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"</p> <p>3 ENLARGED PLAN-ADA RESTROOM SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"</p>	<p>DEVALI DESIGN & DRAFTING SERVICES FARMINGDALE, ALASKA 99501 (907) 274-2000</p> <p>FOUNTAINHEAD DEVELOPMENT 3501 LATROOP ST., UNIT 8, FAIRBANKS, AK 99701 907-274-2000</p> <p>FLOOR PLAN, ENLARGED RESTROOM A20</p>





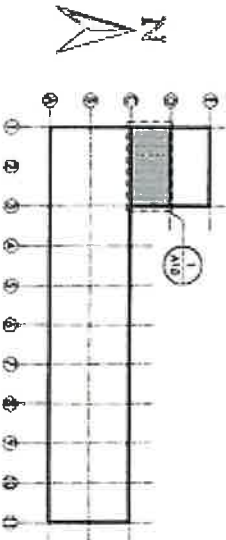
1 MEZZANINE FLOOR PLAN - EXISTING
A2.0 SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



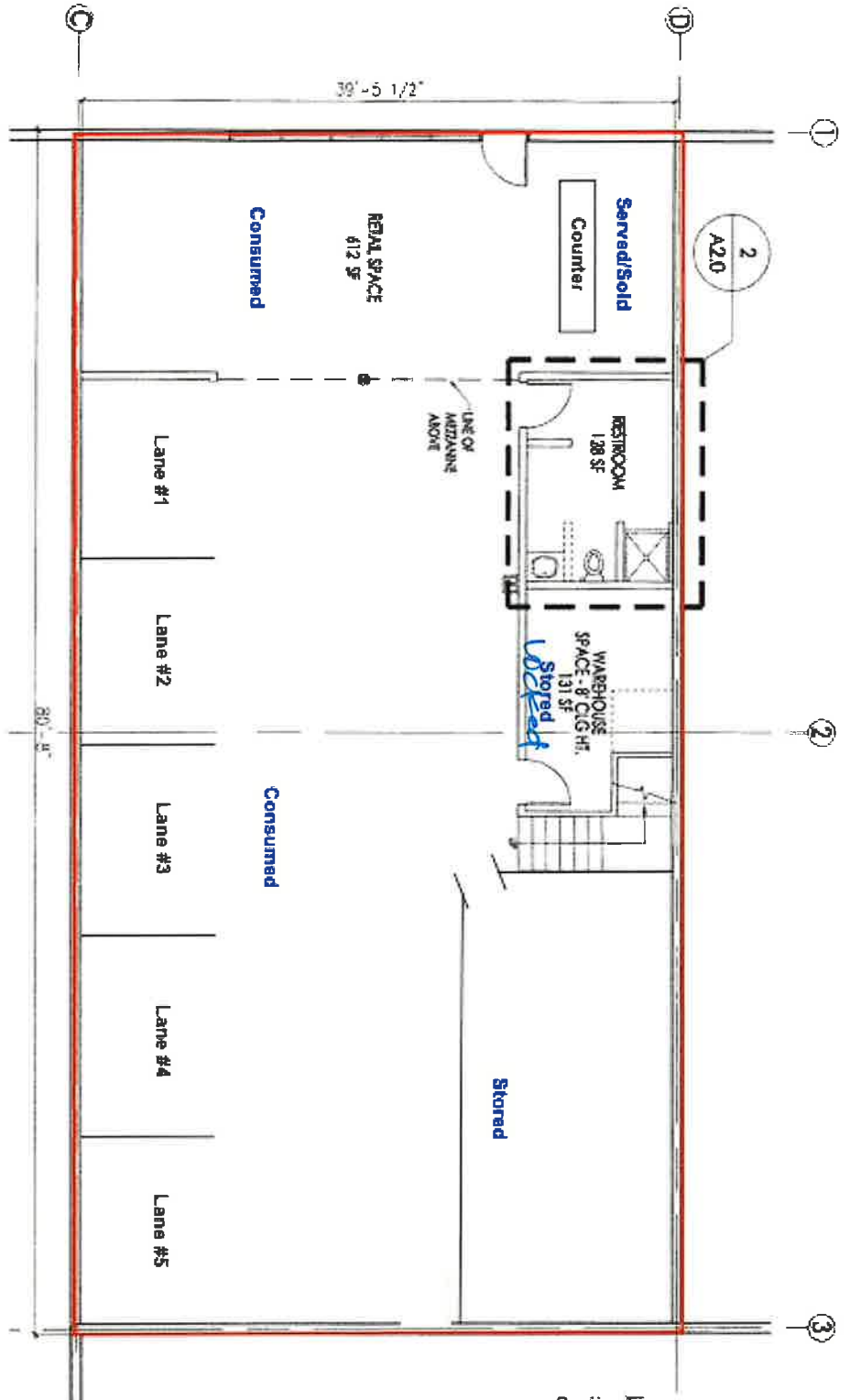
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A2.0 SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"



KEY PLAN



1 FIRST FLOOR PLAN-EXISTING
A1.0 SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



LEGEND:
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 --- WALL TO REMAIN
 L DOOR DEMO



A1.0

FLOOR PLANS,
SPACE
ANALYSIS

FOUNTAINHEAD DEVELOPMENT

3501 LATHROP ST., UNIT B, FAIRBANKS, AK 99701

SCALE: AS SHOWN

DRAWN: RJA

DATE: 1/28/20

DENALI DESIGN &
DRAFTING SERVICES

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 99708



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Form AB-36: Recreational Site Statement

Why is this form needed?

A new, transfer, or renewal application for a recreational site license must be accompanied by a written statement that explains how the establishment meets the requirements currently listed under AS 04.11.210 until AS 04.09.270 is in effect January 1, 2024.

This form must be completed and submitted to AMCO's Anchorage office before any recreational site license application will be reviewed.

Section 1 – Establishment Information

Enter information for the licensed establishment or the business seeking to be licensed.

Doing Business As:	Alaska Axe Co	License #:	
License Type:	Sporting Activity or Event License		

Section 2 – Recreational Site Statement

2.1. Explain what hours you will be serving beer and wine at your establishment in relation to your event hours.

Tuesday - Thursday 4pm - 10pm

Friday - 3pm - 11pm

Saturday - 12pm - 11pm

Sunday - 12pm - 6pm

All of our events are an hour in duration. Participants will be permitted to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages within an hour of their sporting event.

2.2 Are baseball games, car races, hockey games, sled dog racing events, or curling matches regularly held during a season at your establishment?

YES
☐

NO
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If no, what recreational events are regularly held during a season at your establishment that you believe qualify you for a recreational site license currently under AS 04.11.210 until AS 04.09.270 is in effect January 1, 2024?

Axe Throwing

2.3 What is the season(s) of your recreational events? Please list months and specific dates.

Year round, every month, & all seasons.





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Form AB-36: Recreational Site Statement

Section 3 – Certification

Read the statement below, and then sign your initials in the box to the right of the statement:

Initials

I hereby certify that I am the person herein named and subscribing to this application and that I have read the complete application, and I know the full content thereof. I declare that all of the information contained herein, and evidence or other documents submitted are true and correct. I understand that any falsification or misrepresentation of any item or response in this application, or any attachment, or documents to support this application, is sufficient grounds for denying or revoking a license/permit. I further understand that it is a Class A misdemeanor under Alaska Statute 11.56.210 to falsify an application and commit the crime of unsworn falsification.



Kenneth Spann

Printed name of licensee/affiliate

Signature of licensee/affiliate



LinkEvent IDCall recvAVLPrintReport

Event InfoNotesTimesR/E LogOtherLog EntryAni/AlPatientsEmployeeNamesVehicles

Search Call Received Day/Time

MondayTuesdayWednesdayThursdayFridaySaturdaySunday

Call time--Call date09/01/2023 00:00:00-08/30/2024 23:59:59

Call recvTime from call receivedFinish to dispatch000:00:00

Call routed000:00:00

Call take finish000:00:00

1st dispatch000:00:00

1st enroute000:00:00

1st arrive000:00:00

Last clear000:00:00

ONESolution CAD

No match found.

Ok

☒ Include delayed events☐ Include cancelled eventsView TextRe-Open

Introduced by: Councilmembers Tidwell,
Sprinkle, Rogers, and Mayor Pruhs
Date: September 23, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 5136

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-25 AMENDING FNSB CODE TITLE 18
REGARDING PARKING AND LOADING REQUIREMENTS**

WHEREAS, parking requirements for the City of Fairbanks are dictated by zoning regulations in the Fairbanks North Star Borough's code at Title 18; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks has long-sought out improvements to parking requirements that are onerous to developers and inflexibly applied to the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks both acknowledges and appreciates the work of the Fairbanks North Star Borough's Community Planning Department and Planning Commission in studying parking in downtown Fairbanks and proposing amendments to FNSB's code; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks understands that Fairbanks North Star Borough's Ordinance No. 2024-25 adopts many of the recommendations from the Community Planning Department and Planning Commission, namely that it amends Title 18 to exclude the central business district from off-street parking and loading requirements, establishes reasonable standards for off-street parking that is required, incorporates modernized language for accessibility, and establishes administrative review for flexible application of the regulation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fairbanks supports the Assembly's adoption of Fairbanks North Star Borough Ordinance No. 2024-25 in the form that passed unanimously from the Planning Commission on September 10, 2024, as attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide the Borough Director of Community Planning and the Borough Clerk with an executed copy of this Resolution for distribution to the Borough Planning Commission and Borough Assembly.

PASSED and APPROVED this ____ Day of ____ 2024.

David Pruhs, City Mayor

YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSENT
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

1 By: Mindy O'Neall
2 Referred to the Planning
3 Commission: August 22, 2024
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5 FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH

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7 ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 25

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9 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FNSBC TITLE 18 REGARDING PARKING AND LOADING
10 REQUIREMENTS
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12 WHEREAS, Parking standards are set forth in FNSBC Title 18, and do not
13 always accurately reflect overall parking needs; and
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15 WHEREAS, It is appropriate to maintain a flexible parking standard that is
16 based upon local community needs identified through observation; and
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18 WHEREAS, Staff collected parking data from multiple businesses and multi-
19 family residences, throughout different days of the week and different times of day; and
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21 WHEREAS, As part of the adopted downtown plan, Downtown Fairbanks
22 2040, Fairbanks North Star Borough (Borough) Department of Community Planning Staff
23 conducted a parking study showing a surplus of parking in the downtown area, totaling
24 9,473 parking spaces; and
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26 WHEREAS, In the downtown parking study the average occupancy rate of
27 downtown parking spaces was less than 30%; and
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29 WHEREAS, Current parking requirements in the Central Business District
30 result in inefficient use of land in a zone intended for high-density development and the
31 downtown area has been proven to have a surplus of parking; and
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33 WHEREAS, An excessive parking supply can reduce density, increase the
34 cost of development, create an uninviting built environment, and degrade the natural
35 environment by increasing storm water runoff, and can induce flooding; and
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37 WHEREAS, The current zoning code does not allow backing into the public
38 rights-of-way and this can be done safely on low speed/volume roadways with approval
39 of the roadway's managing authority; and
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41 WHEREAS, The Borough's accessible parking standards are far lower than
42 the federal minimum parking requirement for accessible parking; and
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44 WHEREAS, Updating parking standards complies with the FNSB Regional
45 Comprehensive Plan Land Use Goal 4: To enhance development opportunities while
46 minimizing land use conflicts; and
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48 WHEREAS, This update promotes Economic Development Goal 2: To
49 diversify the economy; Action A: Encourage transportation projects that would provide
50 new economic opportunities and result in lower costs of doing business; and
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52 WHEREAS, This update supports Downtown Fairbanks 2040 Land Use
53 Strategy 1: Create a walkable, accessible, navigable Downtown year-round; Action A:
54 Update the zoning code to achieve a more walkable Downtown, especially regarding
55 setbacks, street infrastructure, parking standards, and winter city adaptations; and
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57 WHEREAS, This parking code update is supported by Downtown Fairbanks
58 2040 Parking Strategy 2: Encourage new development by lessening or eliminating the
59 requirement for new surface level parking downtown; and
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WHEREAS, Parking Strategy 2 of Downtown Fairbanks 2040 states "Encourage new development by lessening or eliminating the requirement for new surface level parking Downtown"; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Fairbanks 2040 specifically states to "Require much less off-street parking for each use" and "Encourages up to 100% shared parking for new development where high use peak hours do not overlap..."; and

WHEREAS, On-street parking is largely unaccounted for in our parking code and it should be able to contribute toward meeting minimum parking requirements for higher turnover uses like commercial; and

WHEREAS, Establishing a process and criteria to allow unique developments to deviate from the written standard would promote fairness and equity.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Assembly of the Fairbanks North Star Borough:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall be codified.

Section 2. FNSBC 18.96.060, Off-street parking and loading requirements, is amended as follows:

In all districts, except the GU-1, general use district, and the CBD, central business district, off-street parking and loading areas shall be provided in the amount and location as set forth herein.

A. General Provisions.

1. The off-street parking and loading facilities required by this section shall be established.

2. Required off-street parking spaces and loading facilities for multiresidential, commercial and industrial land uses shall provide vehicle parking.

3. Any area once designated for required off-street parking and loading shall not thereafter be used for any other purpose unless and until equal facilities are provided elsewhere in conformance with this title.

B. Rules for Computing the Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces. The number of required off-street parking spaces to be provided for each use shall be determined as follows:

1. Where the computation of required parking space results in a fractional number, the determination of required parking spaces shall be made by rounding the fractional number to the nearest whole number.

2. Except as otherwise indicated, the number of parking spaces shall be determined by the net floor area, which for the purpose of this section shall mean that floor area of the building accessible to or devoted to use by the customer or patron of a business establishment. Net floor area shall not include those areas used for storage, cooking, stairwells, etc.

C. Minimum Standards for Off-Street Parking Spaces. For every use, there shall be provided the following minimum number of off-street parking spaces:

1. Athletic clubs: one space per 300 square feet;

2. Banks and other financial institution: one space per 300 square feet;

[1]3. Bed and breakfast residence: One space per guestroom over four rooms;

[2]4. Bowling alley: one space per [THREE SEATS]750 square feet;

5. Child care home, child care group home, and child care center: three spaces per four employees;

6. Craft distillery, microbrewery, lounge, and bar: one space per three seats;

7. Elementary and middle school building: one space per five enrolled students, not including minimum parking for auditoriums;

[3]8. Furniture store: one space per [500]1000 square feet of sales area;

[4]9. Hospital, clinic, and sanitarium: one space per three beds;

[5]10. Hotel (guestrooms only, add other uses extra), roominghouse: three spaces per four guestrooms;

11. Industrial manufacturing: three spaces per four employees;

[6]12. Office (including professional offices): one space per [200]300 square feet;

[7]13. Residential: one space per dwelling unit, and one additional parking space per bedroom over four bedrooms;

[8]14. Retail building or s[S]tore (except furniture): one space per [200]400 square feet of sales area;

15. Secondary, trade, and university school building: one space per three enrolled students not including minimum parking for auditoriums;

[9]16. Theater or auditorium (including school auditoriums), church, funeral parlor, Assembly hall: one space per four seats;

[10]17. Restaurant: one space per three seats;

18. Shopping center (including strip mall style development): one space per 400 feet of net floor area;

[11. TRAILER PARK, HOTEL: ONE SPACE PER UNIT;

12]19. All commercial and industrial uses not otherwise designated: three spaces per four employees.

[NO OFF-STREET PARKING IS REQUIRED IN THE GENERAL USE ZONE OR IN THE DOWNTOWN CORE AREA BOUNDED BY FIRST AVENUE TO FIFTH AVENUE, NOBLE STREET TO BARNETTE STREET, AND FIRST AVENUE TO THIRD AVENUE, BARNETTE STREET TO WICKERSHAM STREET.]

D. Minimum Standards for Off-Street Loading Facilities. For every use requiring [THE LOADING AND UNLOADING OF MERCHANDISE]heavy commercial truck delivery on a regular basis, off-street facilities for loading and unloading within or adjacent to the building shall be provided in a manner as to not obstruct the traffic movement on adjacent streets and alleys. [NO OFF-STREET PARKING SPACE SHALL BE USED AS AN OFF-STREET LOADING FACILITY.] If on-street loading causes adverse impacts on the flow of traffic, an off-street loading facility shall be required.

E. Location of Off-Street Parking Spaces. All required off-street parking spaces shall be located within the property lines of the same zoning lot, or, where permitted, on a lot within 300 feet of the [ZONING LOT THAT ACCOMMODATES THE BUILDING,]nearest public entrance of the structure or use being served. Distance measurements shall not extend beyond the nearest ordinary high water (OHW) mark of a river or lake or beyond the nearest edge of a right-of-way (ROW) of a controlled access facility, unless designated pedestrian crossing areas are provided.

F. Shared Off-Street Parking Spaces. Up to [50]100 percent of the off-street parking spaces required for a particular use may be utilized by other uses seeking additional off-street parking spaces; provided, that the uses involved are not normally open, used or operated during the same hours as the primary use for which such off-street parking spaces are required, and that a written agreement is drawn assuring their retention for such purposes as set forth herein. The written agreement must be recorded on all impacted lots.

G. [HANDICAPPED]Accessible Parking Requirements. [THERE SHALL BE PROVIDED ONE HANDICAPPED EQUIPPED]Accessible and designated off-street parking space(s) [FOR EVERY 50 REQUIRED OFF-STREET PARKING SPACES OR 10 SUCH SPACES, WHICHEVER IS LESS. SAID SPACE OR SPACES SHALL BE AT LEAST EIGHT FEET IN WIDTH WITH AN ACCESS AISLE AT LEAST FIVE FEET IN WIDTH ADJACENT TO THE DRIVER'S OR PASSENGER'S SIDE OF THE CAR SPACE. SAID SPACE OR SPACES SHALL BE WITHIN 200 FEET OF AN ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING, STRUCTURE OR USE BEING SERVED AND, WHERE THERE IS MORE THAN ONE ENTRANCE, EVENLY DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT THE PARKING LOT ALSO WITHIN THE DISTANCE REQUIREMENT. THE ACCESSIBLE ROUTE OF TRAVEL SHALL HAVE RAMPS WHERE CURBS ARE PRESENT, SHALL NOT CROSS TRAFFIC LANES, AND SHALL NOT PASS BEHIND CAR SPACES. EACH HANDICAPPED CAR SPACE SHALL BE IDENTIFIED WITH AN UNOBSURED SIGN] shall be provided as required by this section, unless the American with Disabilities Act and regulations provides a higher or different standard.

1. Proximity to building entrances and accessible routes. Accessible parking spaces must be located on the shortest accessible route of travel to an accessible facility

entrance and positioned in a manner to allow individuals to exit their vehicles and access the route. An accessible route of travel includes curb ramps or sloped curb cuts to connect accessible parking spaces with sidewalks or pathways that are free from obstacles or obstructions.

2. Car accessible parking. Parking spaces must be at least 96 inches wide and be served by an access aisle that is at least 60 inches wide and allows safe and unobstructed transfer from the vehicle.

3. Van accessible parking. When required, van-accessible spaces must be at least 132 inches wide and served by an access aisle at least 60 inches wide, or alternatively may be 96 inches wide with an access aisle 96 inches wide.

4. Surface slope, stability and firmness. Accessible parking spaces and access aisles should have no more than a 1.48 (2.08%) slope in all directions, be smooth, free from significant cracks or irregularities, slip-resistant, and capable of supporting the weight of mobility devices.

5. Visibility and signage. Accessible parking spaces must be clearly marked with a sign depicting a white graphic of a person using a wheelchair on a blue background, and positioned at a height to ensure visibility at least 60 inches above grade, measured to the bottom of the lowest sign. A van space must include a second sign stating the space is van accessible. Striping of parking accessible parking spaces must contrast with the pavement color.

6. Number of spaces. If parking spaces are limited to four or fewer, one van accessible parking space must be provided, and an identifying sign is not required. Ten percent of patient and visitor parking at a hospital or outpatient facility must be accessible. Twenty percent of patient and visitor parking at a rehabilitation or outpatient physical therapy facility must be accessible. For all other uses, the total number of required accessible spaces is as set forth herein.

<u>Total Number of Parking Spaces Provided in an Off -Street Parking Facility</u>	<u>Minimum Number of Accessible Parking Spaces</u>
<u>1 to 25</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>26 to 50</u>	<u>2</u>

<u>51 to 75</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>76 to 100</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>101 to 150</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>151 to 200</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>201 to 300</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>301 to 400</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>401 to 500</u>	<u>9</u>
<u>500 to 1000</u>	<u>2% of total parking provided in each lot or structure</u>
<u>1001 and over</u>	<u>20 plus 1 for each 100 over 1000</u>
	<u>At least one of every six spaces must be van accessible.</u>

H. Design. Except for single-family and two-family residences, all off-street parking spaces and loading facilities shall be designed with the following standards:

1. No wall, post, guardrail or other obstruction that would restrict car door opening shall be permitted within five feet of the centerline of a parking space. Access to each parking space shall be designed so that a driver can enter and leave a space without backing up more than 25 feet.

2. Turning and maneuvering space shall be located entirely on the lot or zoning lot of the use being served; except this does not apply to [COMMERCIAL USES WHERE THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF PARKING IS FOR ON-SITE EMPLOYEES; AND PROVIDED, THAT THE EXITING VEHICLES WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO BACK INTO A STREET CLASSIFIED AS A (A) MAJOR COLLECTOR OR ARTERIAL OR (B) MINOR COLLECTOR UNLESS THE MANAGING PUBLIC AGENCY HAS PROVIDED APPROVAL.] parking lots designed to back onto (a) roadways with a local functional classification or (b) roadways with a minor collector classification and approval of the public agency managing the roadway. Backing onto roadways with a functional classification of major collector or arterial is not permitted. A portion of an alley may be credited as turning and maneuvering space.

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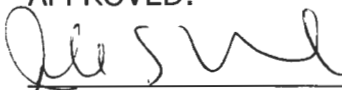
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ADOPTED THE _____ DAY OF _____ 2024.

Savannah Fletcher
Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

April Trickey, MMC
Borough Clerk

APPROVED:


Jill S. Dolan
Borough Attorney

**RESOLUTION NO. 5136, AS AMENDED
(PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE)**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-25 AMENDING FNSB CODE TITLE 18
REGARDING PARKING AND LOADING REQUIREMENTS**

WHEREAS, parking requirements outside the right of way (ROW) for the City of Fairbanks are dictated by zoning regulations in the Fairbanks North Star Borough's code at Title 18; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks has long-sought out improvements to parking requirements that are ~~onerous to developers and inflexibly applied~~ and restrict creative development of the downtown to the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks both acknowledges and appreciates the work of the Fairbanks North Star Borough's Community Planning Department and Planning Commission in studying parking in downtown Fairbanks and proposing amendments to FNSB's code; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fairbanks supports the Assembly's adoption of Fairbanks North Star Borough Ordinance No. 2024-25 with the recommended changes ~~in the form that passed unanimously from the Planning Commission on September 10, 2024,~~ as attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide the Borough Director of Community Planning and the Borough Clerk with an executed copy of this Resolution for distribution to the Borough Planning Commission and Borough Assembly.

PASSED and APPROVED this ____ Day of ____ 2024.

David Pruhs, City Mayor

YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSENT
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

By: Mindy O'Neill
Referred to the Planning
Commission: August 22, 2024

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FNSBC TITLE 18 REGARDING PARKING AND LOADING
REQUIREMENTS

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can adapt to unforeseen requirements of future business models and stakeholder
desires based upon local community needs identified through observation; and

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family residences, throughout different days of the week and different times of day; and

WHEREAS, As part of the adopted downtown plan, Downtown Fairbanks
2040, Fairbanks North Star Borough (Borough) Department of Community Planning Staff
conducted a parking study showing a surplus of parking in the downtown area, totaling
9,473 parking spaces on private property and public right-of-way; and

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downtown parking spaces was less than 30%; and

WHEREAS, Current parking requirements in the Central Business District
result in inefficient use of land in a zone intended for high-density development and the
downtown area has been proven to have a surplus of parking; and

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WHEREAS, This parking code update is supported by Downtown Fairbanks 2040 Parking Strategy 2: Encourage new development by lessening or eliminating the requirement for new surface level parking downtown; and

WHEREAS, Parking Strategy 2 of Downtown Fairbanks 2040 states "Encourage new development by lessening or eliminating the requirement for new surface level parking Downtown"; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Fairbanks 2040 specifically states to "Require much less off-street parking for each use" and "Encourages up to 100% shared parking for new development where high use peak hours do not overlap..."; and

WHEREAS, On-street parking is under the authority of the City of Fairbanks, and future approval from the City is required ~~largely unaccounted for in our parking code and it should be able to contribute toward meeting minimum parking requirements for higher turnover uses like commercial~~; and

WHEREAS, Establishing a process and criteria to allow unique developments to deviate from the written standard would promote fairness and equity.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Assembly of the Fairbanks North Star Borough:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall be codified.

Section 2. FNSBC 18.96.060, Off-street parking and loading requirements, is amended as follows:

In all districts, except the GU-1, general use district, and the CBD, central business district, off-street parking and loading areas shall be provided in the amount and location as set forth herein.

A. General Provisions.

1. The off-street parking and loading facilities required by this section shall be established.

2. Required off-street parking spaces and loading facilities for multiresidential, commercial and industrial land uses shall provide vehicle parking.

3. Any area once designated for required off-street parking and loading shall not thereafter be used for any other purpose unless and until equal facilities are provided elsewhere in conformance with this title.

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1. Where the computation of required parking space results in a fractional number, the determination of required parking spaces shall be made by rounding the fractional number to the nearest whole number.

2. Except as otherwise indicated, the number of parking spaces shall be determined by the net floor area, which for the purpose of this section shall mean that floor area of the building accessible to or devoted to use by the customer or patron of a business establishment. Net floor area shall not include those areas used for storage, cooking, stairwells, etc.

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2. Banks and other financial institution: one space per 300 square feet:
- [1]J. Bed and breakfast residence: One space per guestroom over four rooms;
- [2]_1. Bowling alley: one space per [THREE SEATS]750 square feet:
5. Child care home, child care group home, and child care center: three spaces per four employees;
6. Craft distillery, microbrewery, lounge, and bar: one space per three seats:
7. Elementary and middle school building: one space per five enrolled students, not including minimum parking for auditoriums:
- [3]m. Furniture store: one space per [500]1000 square feet of sales area;
- [4]_2. Hospital, clinic, and sanitarium: one space per three beds;

~~[5]~~10. Hotel (guestrooms only, add other uses extra), roominghouse: three spaces per four guestrooms;

11. Industrial manufacturing: three spaces per four employees:

~~[6]~~12. Office (including professional offices): one space per ~~[200]~~300 square feet;

~~[7]~~13. Residential: one space per dwelling unit, and one additional parking space per bedroom over four bedrooms;

~~[8]~~14. Retail building or s[S]tore (except furniture): one space per ~~[200]~~400 square feet of sales area;

15. Secondary, trade, and university school building: one space per three enrolled students not including minimum parking for auditoriums:

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[NO OFF-STREET PARKING IS REQUIRED IN THE GENERAL USE ZONE OR IN THE DOWNTOWN CORE AREA BOUNDED BY FIRST AVENUE TO FIFTH AVENUE, NOBLE STREET TO BARNETTE STREET, AND FIRST AVENUE TO THIRD AVENUE, BARNETTE STREET TO WICKERSHAM STREET.]

D. Minimum Standards for Off-Street Loading Facilities. For every use requiring [THE LOADING AND UNLOADING OF MERCHANDISE]heavy commercial truck delivery on a regular basis, off-street facilities for loading and unloading within or adjacent to the building shall be provided in a manner as to not obstruct the traffic movement on adjacent streets and alleys. [NO OFF-STREET PARKING SPACE SHALL BE USED AS AN OFF-STREET LOADING FACILITY.] ~~If on-street loading causes adverse impacts on the flow of traffic, an off-street loading facility shall be required.~~

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~~entrance and positioned in a manner to allow individuals to exit their vehicles and access the route. An accessible route of travel includes curb ramps or sloped curb cuts to connect accessible parking spaces with sidewalks or pathways that are free from obstacles or obstructions.~~

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1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2

51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 150	5
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ADOPTED THE ____ DAY OF _____ 2024.

Savannah Fletcher
Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

April Trickey, MMC
Borough Clerk

Jill S. Dolan
Borough Attorney



CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION
REGULAR ELECTION – OCTOBER 1, 2024

We, the undersigned members of the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, Alaska, in the meeting duly convened this 14th day of October 2024, do hereby certify that the attached election results are true and correct in all particulars.

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That **VALERIE THERRIEN**, having received a majority of the votes cast for CITY COUNCIL SEAT B, for a three-year term ending October 2027, is hereby declared elected as a member of the Fairbanks City Council.

Jerry Cleworth, Seat A

Crystal Tidwell, Seat D

June Rogers, Seat B

Lonny Marney, Seat E

Sue Sprinkle, Seat C

John Ringstad, Seat F

ATTEST:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

David Pruhs, City Mayor



REPORT OF ELECTION CANVASS BOARD

October 1, 2024 Regular Election

We, the undersigned, duly appointed at the Regular Council Meeting of September 9, 2024 to serve as canvass board judges in the regular election of October 1, 2024, do hereby certify that we have examined in detail all absentee ballots, special needs ballots, questioned ballots, and original and questioned registers for each of the seven precincts of the City of Fairbanks.

Upon completion of the canvass, it is our opinion that the attached summary of election returns, as compiled by the City Clerk, accurately reflects the total shown on the Certificate of Election returns by the election board of each voting precinct.

C. M. Markwood

Ramona Leves

Barbara A. Hole

Nancy W. Dreydippel
Canvass Board Chair

Election Summary Report
Regular Election
City of Fairbanks
October 1, 2024
Unofficial Results

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Sean MacDonald	1,039	79	232	18	1,368	
Write-in	33	0	7	0	40	
Total Votes	2,937	224	702	49	3,912	

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Candidate	Election Day	Absentee	Early Voting	Question	Total	
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Aaron Crook	851	42	208	13	1,114	
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**Results by Precinct
City of Fairbanks
Regular Election
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31-455 Fairbanks #1	428	219	10
31-480 Fairbanks #2	373	190	11
31-485 Fairbanks #3	231	147	4
32-355 Fairbanks #4	281	152	2
32-365 Fairbanks #5	209	112	2
32-375 Fort Wainwright	31	22	0
38-000 Absentee	145	79	0
39-000 Early Voting	463	232	7
40-000 Question	31	18	0
Total	2504	1368	40

FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL SEAT B (Vote for 1)

Precinct	Olivia Rodriguez	Aaron Crook	Valerie M. Therrien	Write-in
31-446 Aurora	139	173	193	2
31-455 Fairbanks #1	238	148	279	9
31-480 Fairbanks #2	209	145	223	5
31-485 Fairbanks #3	110	130	145	3
32-355 Fairbanks #4	133	135	165	0
32-365 Fairbanks #5	116	95	120	1
32-375 Fort Wainwright	18	25	9	0
38-000 Absentee	76	42	107	0
39-000 Early Voting	180	208	311	5
40-000 Question	19	13	16	0
Total	1238	1114	1568	25

Introduced by: Councilmembers Sprinkle and Ringstad
Introduced: October 14, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 5137

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CFO TO OPEN AN ALASKA
MUNICIPAL LEAGUE INVESTMENT POOL (AMLIP) CASH
ENHANCEMENT SERIES II ACCOUNT**

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has reviewed options for improving interest income while maintaining availability of funds for general operations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks currently maintain funds in AMLIP Money Market Series I account; and

WHEREAS, the AMLIP offers a Cash Enhancement Series II account that provides a higher interest rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, as follows:

Section 1. That the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) may open an AMLIP Cash Enhancement Series II account with the current signatories on file.

Section 2. That the CFO is directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution in the business offices of AMLIP to open the account.

Section 3. That the effective date of this Resolution shall be the 1st day of November 2024.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th Day of October 2024.

David Pruhs, City Mayor

YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 5138

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) FOR THE FY2024 PROMOTING ACCESS TO CRISIS TEAMS (PACT) COMMUNITY POLICING DEVELOPMENT (CPD) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services offers funding for creation or expansion of crisis intervention teams and to embed mental and behavioral health services within law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks Police Department has been awarded \$320,613 to fund a procurement contract for a Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Coordinator to train FPD officers in CIT (\$105,000); reimburse Alaska Native content experts for culturally relevant training to be included in the CIT curriculum (\$2,000); cover overtime costs of officers attending CIT training (\$95,106); and hire a part-time peer support specialist to enhance the capacity of the department to provide assistance and mental health resources to vulnerable members of the community (\$118,507); and

WHEREAS, the PACT program will cover a 24-month period beginning on October 1, 2024 and does not require a match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute any and all documents required for accepting funds on behalf of the City for this grant.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th Day of October 2024.

David Pruhs, City Mayor

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

CITY OF FAIRBANKS
FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST:

Ordinance or Resolution No: 5138

Abbreviated Title: FY2024 PACT - CPD Program

Department(s): Police Department

Does the adoption of this ordinance or resolution authorize:

- 1) additional costs beyond the current adopted budget? Yes _____ No X
- 2) additional support or maintenance costs? Yes _____ No X
- If yes, what is the estimate? see below
- 3) additional positions beyond the current adopted budget? Yes X No _____
- If yes, how many positions? 1
- If yes, type of positions? P (F - Full Time, P - Part Time, T - Temporary)

II. FINANCIAL DETAIL:

PROJECTS:	Contracts	Personnel	Other Costs	Total
Procurement Contracts (CIT Trainer and Alaska Native Content Experts)	\$107,000			\$107,000
OT Costs for Training		\$95,106		\$95,106
Part-Time Peer Support Specialist		\$118,507		\$118,507
TOTAL	\$107,000	\$213,613		\$320,613

FUNDING SOURCE:	Contracts	Personnel	Other Costs	Total
Grant Fund (Federal Funds - PACT)	\$107,000	\$213,613		\$320,613
TOTAL	\$107,000	\$213,613		\$320,613

The budget will cover the 24-month performance period of the grant. The CIT Coordinator must be CIT certified, or obtain CIT certification within a specified period after the contract is awarded. FPD will send 30 officers to the 40 hour training in multiple sessions. The part-time Peer Support Specialist will be included in FGC, working 20 hours per week at \$28.00 for the duration of the grant. The Alaska Native content will be included in each CIT training as an aspect of policing unique to the Interior.

Reviewed by Finance Department:

Initial SF

Date 9/30/2024

Introduced by: Mayor Pruhs and
Councilmember Marney
Introduced: October 14, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 5139

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS TO APPLY
FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE
ASSISTANCE FOR THE FFY2024 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL
JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT**

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks received notification of funding through the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the FFY2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program in the amount of \$34,524 to prevent or reduce crime and violence and to improve the administration of local criminal justice efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks will use funds for the taser replacement contract (\$26,300) and to purchase new training mats and wall panels for the FPD training an briefing room (\$8,224); and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks is not required to provide a match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute any and all documents required for requesting and accepting funds on behalf of the City for this grant.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th Day of October 2024.

David Pruhs, City Mayor

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

CITY OF FAIRBANKS
FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST:

Ordinance or Resolution No: 5139

Abbreviated Title: FFY2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Federal Program

Department(s): FPD

Does the adoption of this ordinance or resolution authorize:

1) additional costs beyond the current adopted budget? Yes _____ No X

2) additional support or maintenance costs? Yes _____ No X

If yes, what is the estimate? see below

3) additional positions beyond the current adopted budget? Yes _____ No X

If yes, how many positions? _____

If yes, type of positions? _____ (F - Full Time, P - Part Time, T - Temporary)

II. FINANCIAL DETAIL:

PROJECTS:	Contract	Equipment	Personnel	Total
Tasers	\$26,300			\$26,300
Training Mats & Wall Panels		\$8,224		\$8,224
TOTAL	\$26,300	\$8,224	\$0	\$34,524

FUNDING SOURCE:	Contract	Equipment	Personnel	Total
Grant Fund (Federal)	\$26,300	\$8,224		\$34,524
TOTAL	\$26,300	\$8,224	\$0	\$34,524

FPD is in year 5 of a 5 year contract to lease taser equipment. The current recommended life for tasers is 5 years, the contract allows FPD to utilize efficient, up-to-date tasers. The training mats and wall panels will protect both the space and officers during training exercises.

Reviewed by Finance Department:

Initial sf

Date 10/2/2024

ORDINANCE NO. 6292

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE SEC. 14-167
AND SEC. 14-214 TO REQUIRE WRITTEN NOTICE TO LICENSEES OF
HEARINGS FOR ALCOHOL AND MARIJUANA LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

WHEREAS, Fairbanks General Code (FGC) Chapter 14 sets forth procedures for the City's review of alcoholic beverage and marijuana license applications forwarded to the City by the State Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office; and

WHEREAS, currently, there is no requirement in the Fairbanks General Code for the City Clerk to notify licensees when an application for transfer or renewal will be before the City Council for a public hearing and review; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to provide more opportunity for alcoholic beverage and marijuana licensees to engage with the City Council when their license application is before the City Council for review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:

SECTION 1. That Fairbanks General Code Section 14-167 is hereby amended as follows [new text in **underlined/bold** font; deleted text in ~~strike through~~ font]:

Sec. 14-167. – Procedure for review of licenses.

(a) Upon receipt of notice from the state alcoholic beverage control board that the board intends to approve an application for a transfer, renewal or new alcoholic beverage license of any type, the city clerk shall cause the fire and police chiefs, and director of finance to make appropriate investigations within their respective areas of responsibility and to forward written statements of any reasons why the city should object to the proposed approval by the state alcoholic beverage control board. The building official shall be asked to review applications for premises within buildings not previously used for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

(b) The city clerk shall schedule a public hearing for the alcohol license application at a regular city council meeting within the 60-day response period allowed by state law and shall send written notice of the date and time of the hearing to the licensee or their designee at least 10 days prior to the hearing date.

(c) The mayor shall report to the city council any objections to the board's proposed approval of a license which have been submitted to him. If the mayor determines that an interest of the city can be protected by protesting approval of the license, he shall inform the city council.

(d) A fee, as set forth in the city's schedule of fees and charges for services, will

be charged for the city's processing of an application for a temporary caterer's permit.

SECTION 2. That Fairbanks General Code Section 14-214 is hereby amended as follows [new text in **underlined/bold** font; deleted text in ~~strike through~~ font]:

Sec. 14-214. - Procedure for review of licenses.

(a) Upon receipt of notice from AMCO that it is considering an application for a transfer, renewal, or new marijuana establishment license of any type, the city clerk will direct the fire and police chiefs, the building official, and the chief financial officer to make appropriate investigations within their respective areas of responsibility and to forward written statements to the clerk's office of any reasons why the city should object to the approval of the application.

(b) The city clerk shall schedule a public hearing for the marijuana license application at a regular city council meeting within the 60-day response period allowed by state law and shall send written notice of the date and time of the hearing to the licensee or their designee at least 10 days prior to the hearing date.

~~(c)~~ The city clerk will report to the city council any objections to approval of an application which have been submitted.

~~(d)~~ For all new marijuana establishment licenses and license transfers referred to the city by AMCO,:

- ~~(1) The city clerk will duly advertise in a newspaper of general circulation in the Fairbanks area the date, time, and place where the city council will consider the proposed application and in addition, for all new marijuana establishment licenses, will send copies of such advertisement by mail to all owners of record of land within 1,000 feet of where the marijuana establishment will be located under the proposed new license; and~~
- ~~(2) On the date and time set for consideration of the proposed application, the city council will hear all interested citizens who may wish to express their opinions on the application.~~

(e) On the date and time set for consideration of the proposed application, the city council will hear all interested citizens who may wish to express their opinions on the application.

~~(f)~~ The city council will determine by motion whether or not to object to the approval by AMCO of the application for the transfer, renewal, or new marijuana establishment license. The city council will consider any written objection, protest, suggested condition, petition, and any testimony received at the public hearing when it considers the application. If the city council objects to approval of the application, the city clerk will prepare and lodge an appropriate protest with AMCO within 60 days of receipt of the proposed application.

SECTION 3. That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be five days after adoption.

David Pruhs, City Mayor

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. 6293

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL CODE CHAPTER 26,
ARTICLE III, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, ADDING REGULATIONS
GOVERNING PRIVATE AMBULANCE SERVICES AND AMENDING THE
CITY SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES**

WHEREAS, citizens of the City of Fairbanks demand and deserve the best available emergency medical care; and

WHEREAS, private ambulances operating within the city limits should provide the highest quality service available; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks recognizes the need to have supervision of private ambulances that are providing care within the City of Fairbanks area of jurisdiction to ensure that the highest quality is being offered and maintained; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairbanks does not have any regulations on the operation of private ambulances within the city limits.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, as follows:

SECTION 1. Fairbanks General Code Chapter 26, Article III is hereby amended as follows [new text in **bold/underline** font; deleted text in ~~strike through~~ font]:

ARTICLE III. - EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Sec. 26-~~90~~**44**. - Charges.

(a) The charges for emergency medical service are as specified in the **City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services**~~city schedule of fees and services~~.

(b) The amount collected for mileage shall be placed in the capital appropriation fund.

Sec. 26-91. – Definitions.

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Ambulance Service means a service which provides ground transportation to persons who require medical monitoring and does not include stationary emergency aid services at a particular location.

Dispatch means the receipt of a request for ambulance service or the arrangement for a licensee to fulfill a request for ambulance service.

Emergency means:

1. Patients not previously evaluated by a qualified healthcare professional (QHP), including patients who have been treated for an existing problem but who develop new, acute symptoms which have not been evaluated previously by a QHP.

2. Any patient condition which could reasonably lead to loss of life or limb or could cause the person significant harm if not treated immediately by a QHP.

FFD EMS Patient Transport means Fairbanks Fire Department (FFD) ambulance transports of previously unevaluated patients. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) transports may be of patients considered either emergent or non-emergent. Providers, patients, or other parties that call 911 for response and service are FFD EMS transports.

Fairbanks Area EMS means response apparatus, transport ambulances, and EMS personnel assigned or belonging to FFD, University Fire Department (UFD), North Pole Fire Department (NPF), Fort Wainwright Fire (FWF), Chena Goldstream Fire and Rescue (CGFR), Steese Volunteer Fire Department (SVFD), and Eielson AFB.

Fire Chief means the chief of the Fairbanks Fire Department or designee.

Licensee means a person or entity in possession of a current and valid ambulance service license issued pursuant to this chapter.

Nonemergency Ambulance Services means providing ground ambulance services for transports that originate inside the City of Fairbanks limits.

Nonemergency Call means a request for an ambulance to transport or assist patients that would not constitute a 911 emergency call.

Private Ambulance Service (PAS) means a service which provides ground ambulance transportation to persons who require medical monitoring.

PAS Patient Transport means PAS transports of patients who meet the eligibility criteria in FGC Sec. 26-101, are deemed stable for the transport, require medical monitoring, and whose transport would not require the use of any other method of transportation given the patient's condition.

Patient means a person who requires medical monitoring transport by an ambulance service.

Qualified Healthcare Professional (QHP) means a health care professional who is qualified by education, training, licensure/regulation (when applicable) and facility privileging (when applicable) who performs a professional service within their scope of practice and independently reports that professional service.

Registered Nurse (RN) means a nurse who meets the State of Alaska requirements to obtain and maintain a nursing license in Alaska.

Sec. 26-92. – License required.

(a) It is unlawful for any person or entity to provide nonemergency ambulance service within the city limits unless that person or entity is in possession of a valid PAS license issued in accordance with this chapter.

(b) It is unlawful for any person other than the Fairbanks Fire Department to provide emergency ambulance service within the city unless standing mutual aid agreements are activated by the Fairbanks Emergency Communications Center (FECC).

(c) It is unlawful for a licensee to provide or to allow another person to provide ambulance service under the authority of that licensee's license.

Sec. 26-93. – Types of licenses.

(a) An entity may apply for one of three different licenses under this chapter:

(1) A Type 1 license authorizes private ambulances to transport previously evaluated patients, including critical care patients, urgent hospital-to-hospital transfers, as well as all Type 2 and 3 license authorized transports.

(2) A Type 2 license authorizes private ambulances to transport previously evaluated patients requiring advanced life support, as well as all Type 3 license authorized transports.

(3) A Type 3 license authorizes private ambulances to transport previously evaluated patients requiring basic life support only, as well as patient transports with an accompanying medical escort team.

(b) An entity can change the type of license it holds to another type by following the procedures and paying the required fee(s). No refund will be issued for downgrading licenses.

Sec. 26-94. – Contents of application for license; term of license; non-transferability.

(a) An application for a PAS license shall be made to the fire chief on an approved form and shall be accompanied by the following:

(1) Payment of fee(s) pursuant to the City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services.

(2) Proof of insurance for all vehicles to be operated as ambulances pursuant to the license as required by FGC Sec. 26-98.

(3) A complete list of the name, address, email address, and telephone number for every person who shall have a financial or proprietary interest in the license.

(4) Proof that the applicant is at least 18 years of age.

(5) Proof of current State of Alaska and City of Fairbanks business licenses.

(6) Proof that the personnel required to operate the ambulance service are available as of the effective date of the license.

(7) Proof that the applicant has acquired and installed the equipment that FGC Sec. 26-104 requires for each vehicle to be operated as an ambulance as of the effective date of the license.

(8) Identification of the EMS medical director required by FGC Sec. 26-106(b).

(9) Identification of the vehicles to be operated as ambulances by vehicle registration number, VIN number, make, model, and year; proof that both the body and mechanics of each vehicle is in good repair; and proof that the applicant is lawfully entitled to use each vehicle for the purpose of an ambulance service.

(10) Proof that any new or used ambulances purchased after July 27, 2021, or any ambulance remounts completed after that date, are certified as meeting one or more of the following nationally recognized standards for ambulance design:

a. the most recent published version of the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Specification for Star-of-Life Ambulances (KKK-A-1822),

b. the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services Ground Vehicle Standard v 3.0 (CAAS-GVS), or

c. the National Fire Protection Association Standard for Automotive Ambulances (NFPA 1917).

(11) A complete description of the ambulance markings and color scheme to be used in compliance with FGC Sec. 26-103.

(12) Proof of current registration with the State of Alaska as an emergency medical service ground ambulance service.

(13) Attestation by the PAS's EMS director or medical sponsor that PAS personnel have, and will continue to receive, the necessary training and certification (if applicable) to know how to use the current Standing Orders published by the Interior Region Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc. (IREMSC), and will practice within their scope and according to the current IREMSC standing orders.

(14) Initial applicants will be required to submit a copy of their business plan.

(15) Certification by the city's chief financial officer or designee that the entity and person(s) applying for license are not reported as being delinquent on any city taxes or fees and have no outstanding judgments or debts owed to the city or borough.

(b) The fire chief shall issue a license if the applicant complies with all the requirements of subsection (a) of this section, unless good cause exists for denial. A license issued pursuant to this section is nontransferable and shall be valid for one year unless revoked or suspended pursuant to FGC Sec. 26-96.

(c) A licensee is under a continuing obligation to keep the information on their application for licensure current. Failure to do so will be a violation of this chapter. A licensee shall give written notice to the fire chief of any change to be made to their application within ten days and the fire chief shall amend the application accordingly.

(d) No person may knowingly make a false or misleading statement on an application for a license under this chapter.

Sec. 26-95. – Renewal of license

(a) A license issued pursuant to this chapter is valid for one year from the date of issuance and will expire automatically if an application for renewal is not received by the fire chief prior to the expiration of the license.

(b) All ambulance service licenses will renew March 1 of every year.

(1) Fees may be prorated for the first year.

(2) Applications for renewal are due February 1st of each year. Late submissions may be denied or charged a late fee in accordance with the City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services.

(c) An application to renew an ambulance service license is made to the fire chief in the same manner as an original application and shall be treated in the same manner as an original application.

(d) If a licensee is no longer qualified to hold the license at the time of renewal, the fire chief shall not approve the renewal of the license.

(e) Any person or entity that has forfeited a license pursuant to this chapter may not apply for a new license for a period of two years from the date of forfeiture.

(f) A complete schedule of ambulance licensure fees will be available for inspection at the fire chief's office and at the city website. Any increase in fees will be made available for public inspection and must be approved by the city council.

Sec. 26-96. – Suspension or revocation of license.

(a) If a licensee is convicted or otherwise found liable by a court of competent jurisdiction for violation of a provision of this chapter or a municipal regulation promulgated pursuant to this chapter, in addition to any criminal or civil penalty imposed, the applicable license shall be automatically suspended or revoked in accordance with the following schedule commencing on the date of the issuance of the court's judgment:

(1) First violation: 60-day suspension of license or permit.

(2) Second violation: 120-day suspension of license or permit.

(3) Third violation: Revocation of license or permit.

(b) Any violation of the terms of a suspension or revocation imposed pursuant to this section is a separate violation of this chapter.

(c) The licensee shall not be permitted to re-apply for a license for two years if they have their license revoked.

Sec. 26-97. – Appeals

(a) If the fire chief determines that an application for an ambulance license does not meet the requirements of this chapter, the fire chief shall deny the application. The fire chief shall issue a written decision to the applicant stating the specific reason(s) for the denial.

(b) A person aggrieved by the denial or revocation of an ambulance license by the fire chief pursuant to this chapter may appeal to the city mayor no later than 15 days after the issuance of that decision. Review by the city mayor or designee shall be limited to determining that the decision of the fire chief is supported by substantial evidence.

Sec. 26-98. – Insurance required.

(a) It is unlawful to provide private ambulance services with a vehicle not insured according to the requirements of this section.

(b) A complete schedule of PAS insurance requirements will be available for inspection at the fire chief's office.

(c) Before any license is issued for a PAS, the applicant shall furnish one or more policies or certificates of insurance issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in the state for the following coverage for each vehicle to be operated as an ambulance:

(1) Worker's compensation and employer's liability insurance required by the laws of the State of Alaska.

(2) Commercial general liability insurance, including coverage for:

- a. Products/completed operations;
- b. Personal and advertising injury;
- c. Each occurrence; and
- d. Medical payments.

(3) Commercial automobile liability insurance, to include owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles.

(4) Excess liability insurance.

(5) Professional liability (medical malpractice) insurance covering all physicians and emergency medical technicians.

(6) Cyber/privacy liability insurance. The cyber coverage shall include, but not be limited to, claims involving invasion of privacy violations (including HIPPA), information theft, and release of private information. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response costs as well as regulatory fines and penalties as well as credit monitoring expenses.

(7) With the exception of workers compensation and professional liability each policy shall name the city as an "additional insured" and the actual policy endorsement shall accompany each certificate of insurance.

(8) General liability, workers compensation, and automobile policies shall be endorsed to waive all rights of subrogation against the City of Fairbanks by reason of any payment made for claims under the above coverage. This policy endorsement shall accompany each certificate of insurance.

(9) All policies for general liability shall be primary and noncontributing with any insurance that may be carried by the city.

(10) If the licensee maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the city requires, and shall be entitled to, the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the licensee. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the city.

(d) The liability insurance policy must be verified as to substance and form by the city attorney and filed with the fire chief.

(e) Every insurance policy or certificate shall contain a clause obligating the insurer or surety to give the fire chief written notice no less than 30 days before the cancellation, expiration, nonrenewal, lapse, or other termination of such insurance. A lapse, cancellation, expiration, nonrenewal, or termination of insurance coverage will result in an automatic suspension of any license for so long as the licensee is without insurance as required by this section.

Sec. 26-99. – Number of vehicles operated per license; removal from use.

(a) A licensee may operate multiple vehicles as ambulances so long as each such vehicle is operated in compliance with the requirements of this chapter while it is in service as an ambulance.

(b) Whenever a licensee removes a vehicle from service as an ambulance for reasons other than regular maintenance, they shall notify the fire chief of the reasons for such action within 24 hours thereafter. In the absence of such notice, a vehicle shall be considered in service for the purpose of enforcing this chapter. Once removed from service, a licensee shall not use the vehicle as an ambulance until the fire chief has approved such use.

Sec. 26-100. – Availability of service.

(a) A PAS must be available to transport patients at all times of every day without exception.

(b) A PAS shall not discontinue service without 90-day advance notice to the fire chief.

Sec. 26-101. – Eligibility for transport; permitted transport.

(a) Private Ambulance Services are eligible to transport patients if the patient is deemed stable before and during the duration of the transport and if the patient requires medical monitoring, and either:

(1) The patient has a diagnosed or confirmed pre-existing medical condition that meets medical necessity for requiring medically monitored stretcher transport to a routine scheduled appointment at a doctor's office or clinic, or is moving between extended care facilities, assisted living facilities, private residences, or hospital-affiliated hotels and extended stay motels; or

(2) The patient has been diagnosed with, is being treated for, or is suffering from a mental health disorder that a QHP has determined requires, or may require, physical restraints to protect the patient, the public, or PAS personnel. If warranted, physical restraints should be used minimally and for the sole purpose of providing protection. Allowable physical restraints include handcuffs, a lap belt, and/or leg restraints. The use of firearms or any chemical agent is absolutely prohibited for the purpose of restraining a patient. Patients should not be transported with their arms restrained behind their back unless medically necessary.

(b) Notwithstanding guidance provided in this section, the fire chief has the authority to determine which patients can be transported by a private ambulance service.

(c) PAS operators will contact FECC dispatch immediately if there are changes to the patient's condition, PAS or PAS personnel, or if there are any other changes that may threaten safe transport.

(d) A PAS may transport patients only as follows:

(1) transport of a person between hospitals;

(2) transport of a person to a private residence from a hospital;

(3) transport of a person between a hospital and an airport or helipad;

(4) transport of a neonatal patient and equipment along with a neonatal intensive care team between hospitals, from a hospital to an airport or helipad;

(5) transport of a recurring dialysis patient from their home to their treatments and then back to their home;

(6) any transport of patients for whom the fire chief requests transportation.

Sec. 26-102. – Ambulance dispatch.

(a) It is unlawful for any person other than the fire chief or their designee to dispatch a vehicle used as an ambulance within the City of Fairbanks. Once a private ambulance has been dispatched by FECC, it is the private ambulance service's responsibility to coordinate patient movement details directly with the requesting facility, agency, or provider.

(b) It is unlawful for any PAS to respond to an emergency call within the City of Fairbanks, except as outlined in FGC Sec. 26-107.

(c) Any patient transport requests originating with FECC dispatch will be dispatched to Type 1, Type 2, or Type 3 licensed ambulances for non-emergency service by use of a rotation system unless the person requesting service designates a particular ambulance service.

Sec. 26-103. – Ambulance markings.

(a) Every private ambulance shall bear the trade name under which it is operated on each side of the vehicle by use of permanent letters no less than four inches high.

(b) Every private ambulance shall bear its city-issued license, as assigned to it by the fire chief, in a conspicuous location that is visible at all times from the outside of the ambulance.

(c) Every private ambulance shall use a distinctive and unique color scheme approved by the fire chief.

(d) Every private ambulance shall have "emergency call 911" language on the back and sides of the outside of the vehicle and must display the "star of life" symbol.

(e) It is unlawful to transfer ownership of a vehicle which has been used as a private ambulance until all markings, signs, and insignia and the color scheme associated with the ambulance service have been removed, unless such vehicle is transferred as part of a transfer of the ambulance service itself.

Sec. 26-104. – Ambulance equipment.

(a) *Generally.* A licensee shall ensure that all private ambulances are operated pursuant to state guidelines and that all private ambulances:

(1) Meet the equipment standards established by state law for a certificated emergency medical service.

(2) Are equipped with a fully operational two-way radio communication system capable of using the emergency medical service radio frequency as designated by the State of Alaska and the fire chief. An ambulance service shall restrict its use of the emergency medical radio frequency unless operating during an emergency event when the PAS ambulances have been directly requested to assist FFD.

(b) *Cell phones.* A licensee shall ensure that all personnel assigned to work on an ambulance are in possession of a cell phone or other electronic device approved by the fire chief.

(c) Use of emergency signals. It is unlawful for a licensee to operate any lights, sirens, or audible signal on an ambulance which is commonly understood to be an emergency signal or for a licensee to permit another person to do so, unless the particular ambulance service transport for which such signal is used originated in an area outside of the city or is otherwise approved by the fire chief.

Sec. 26-105. – Vehicle inspection.

(a) At least once per year all licensed PAS ambulances must undergo a certified mechanical inspection. Licensed PAS ambulances must be made available for inspection upon demand of the fire chief.

(b) In addition to Alaska State Motorized Vehicle reporting requirements, the owner of an ambulance vehicle licensed under this chapter shall immediately notify FECC dispatch of any mechanical failure or damage sustained in a collision when such mechanical failure or damage causes the ambulance to be inoperable.

(c) The fire chief may prohibit the operation of a vehicle as an ambulance if determined that the ambulance does not comply with the requirements of this chapter or is otherwise unsafe. No person may operate such a vehicle as an ambulance until the fire chief approves such use in writing.

Sec. 26-106. – Ambulance personnel.

(a) Ambulance staff. Each private ambulance shall be staffed in accordance with 7 AAC 26.230(b)(2).

(1) At the time of the PAS licensee's application for licensure or within 45 days of an individual's employment as an ambulance vehicle operator, the PAS licensee shall provide proof to the fire chief or his designee that an ambulance vehicle operator has successfully completed a recognized emergency vehicle driver's safety program approved by the city's fire chief.

(b) EMS medical director. Each PAS shall have an EMS medical director whose duties shall include the following:

(1) Review all run reports on a monthly basis and send a quarterly letter to the fire chief certifying monthly review;

(2) Provide a set of standing orders for ambulance personnel that are approved by the Interior Region Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc. (IREMSC);

(3) Develop an educational program approved by the protocols board to teach and use the standing orders and develop an educational curriculum for all personnel to review run reports, discuss specific medical topics, and review basic medical skills. An educational review should occur at least quarterly;

(4) Verify that current certification or licensing of ambulance personnel is in compliance with the laws of the State of Alaska;

(5) Ensure that all medical equipment required by this chapter is in good working order;

(6) Be reasonably available to give medical advice to the licensee and name a temporary physician to serve as a physician sponsor during any absence for more than three consecutive days;

(7) Maintain a current license as a physician in Alaska, including maintaining continuing medical education requirements required by the State of Alaska in order to remain licensed to practice medicine and in good standing in the state;

(8) Carry professional liability insurance, which includes coverage for the duties of a physician sponsor/medical director as defined in this chapter;

(9) Provide a quarterly report, educational review, and medical operations review of the licensee's ambulance service to the fire chief.

Sec. 26-107. – Emergency and disaster operations.

(a) In the event of a declared disaster or other local emergency, the ability of the FFD to provide necessary pre-hospital emergency ambulance care and transportation may be disrupted or inadequate. It is necessary, therefore, that private ambulances permitted in the city be available to assist with medical needs when there is a declared disaster or other local emergency. In these events, the fire chief will determine the amount of assistance needed, determine accessible acceptable ambulance staffing and configuration, and may authorize the dispatch of any ambulance as permitted by law. Each PAS shall make available any in-service vehicles immediately and will recall personnel to make all permitted units staffed and available within four hours at the request of the fire chief. The fire chief shall coordinate all medical assistance requests through the FECC dispatch, when applicable.

Sec. 26-108. – Training Requirements.

(a) Private ambulance services licensed under this chapter shall provide and document training on the statutory requirements of this chapter as follows:

(1) Initial training for new employees within 30 days from the effective date of hire; and

(2) Annual training for all employees.

Sec. 26-109. – Records; Inspection.

(a) Every licensee shall maintain current and accurate vehicle and medical reports for each patient transported in accordance with A.S. 18.08.015 and an electronic patient information system.

(b) The records maintained pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, as well as any other records related to the operation of any ambulance, must be retained by the licensee, and must be made available for inspection upon request of the fire chief.

(c) Quarterly reports are due to the fire chief to show how many transports were done for that quarter. These reports will show the following information:

- (1) date of transport;
- (2) transport run number;
- (3) location where patient was picked up;
- (4) destination of patient;
- (5) loaded miles for transport;
- (6) whether the transport was advanced life support or basic life support.

(d) The licensee shall provide all records requested by the fire chief and submit to on-site inspections within 14 calendar days to ensure compliance with this chapter.

Sec. 26-110. – Penalty for violation of chapter.

(a) In addition to any other penalty specifically provided in this chapter, the violation of any provision of this chapter or a municipal regulation promulgated under this chapter shall be a misdemeanor, and any person convicted of such a violation shall be subject to the penalties set forth in FGC Sec. 1-15(a).

(b) In addition to any other remedy or penalty provided by this section, a person who violates a provision of this chapter or a municipal regulation promulgated under this chapter shall be subject to a civil penalty for each offense, injunctive relief to restrain the person from continuing the violation or threat of violation, revocation of PAS license, or both such civil penalty and injunctive relief. Upon application by the city for injunctive relief and a finding that a person is violating or threatening to violate a provision of this chapter or a municipal regulation promulgated under this chapter, the superior court shall grant injunctive relief to restrain the violation.

(c) Each day during which a violation described in this section occurs shall constitute a separate offense.

Sec. 26-111. – Fees.

(a) *License.* Each Type 1, 2, and 3 ambulance service must pay an annual license fee to the city in accordance with the City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services.

(b) *Patient transport.* Each ambulance service must pay an administrative fee for each patient transport. This fee will be assessed for each patient transported within the City of Fairbanks

and must be paid on a quarterly basis in accordance with the City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services.

(c) *Schedule of fees.* A complete schedule of ambulance service fees shall be available for inspection at the fire chief's office and at the city website.

(d) *Annual review and public notice.* Fees shall be reviewed annually by the fire chief. Any increase in fees will be made available for public inspection and must be approved by the city council.

Sec. 26-112. – Ambulance transport fees.

A PAS may set its own fees for services rendered to be paid by the patient or their insurance provider (if applicable). All fees must be posted and made available for public inspection.

SECTION 2. The attached additions to the City Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services is hereby approved.

SECTION 3. The effective date of this Ordinance is five days after adoption.

David Pruhs, Mayor

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk

Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney

Ordinance 6293 Fiscal Note Placeholder

City of Fairbanks Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services

As of Ordinance No. 6293 - Effective _____, 2024

Category	Code Sec.	Topic	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Description
Occupational	14-123	Private Detective	\$ 75.00		Application fee; non-refundable
	14-123		\$ 400.00		Two-year license
	14-131		\$ 10,000.00		Bond for Alaska residents
			\$ 20,000.00		Bond for out-of-state applicants not licensed in at least two other states
	14-294	Master Plumber	\$ 200.00		Non-refundable application & exam fee
			\$ 200.00		3-year license - each applicant
	14-431	Master Operator's License	\$ 250.00		2-year license - entity
	14-361	Commercial Refuse	\$ 2,000.00		2-year license - entity
	<u>26-111(a)</u>	Private Ambulance Service		\$ 2,000.00	<u>Initial license application fee (Type 1 and 2); non-refundable</u>
	<u>26-111(a)</u>			\$ 1,300.00	<u>Initial license application fee (Type 3); non-refundable</u>
	<u>26-111(a)</u>			\$ 1,500.00	<u>Annual license renewal fee (Type 1 and 2)</u>
	<u>26-111(a)</u>			\$ 800.00	<u>Annual license renewal fee (Type 3)</u>
	<u>26-95</u>			\$ 800.00	<u>Late fee for applications received after February 1</u>
	<u>26-111(b)</u>			\$ 50.00	<u>Administrative fee per patient transport (payable quarterly)</u>
	86-51	Vehicle for Hire	\$ 100.00		One-time application fee for entity; non-refundable
			\$ 400.00		2-year permit fee - entity
			\$ 200.00		Per vehicle permit for 2 years
			\$ 100.00		Transfer fee - vehicle or entity
	86-55				
86-82	Chauffeurs License	\$ 75.00		Each time app fee; non-refundable	
		\$ 100.00		2-year license - each driver	

CITY OF FAIRBANKS
800 Cushman Street
Fairbanks, AK 99701



FINANCE DEPARTMENT
Telephone (907)459-6713
Fax (907)459-6722

DATE: October 3, 2024
TO: Council Members
THROUGH: Mayor David Pruhs
FROM: CFO Margarita Bell
SUBJECT: Building Department Position Change

I am seeking authorization to change one full-time Senior Structural Plan Check Engineer position to a full-time Code Compliance Inspector position.

The Senior Structural Plan Check Engineer position has been vacant since July 13, 2018. The department will use an independent structural consultant to address permits that may require a structural engineer.

This request will result in annual salary savings of \$2,710; therefore, the budget will not require an amendment.



CLAY STREET CEMETERY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 4, 2024
HELD VIA [ZOOM WEBINAR](#) AND
IN FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA



The Clay Street Cemetery Commission convened at 5:00 p.m. on the above date to conduct a Regular Meeting at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, and via teleconference, with **Vice Chair Janet Richardson** presiding and the following Commission members in attendance:

Members Present: George Dalton, Seat A
Aldean Kilbourn, Seat C (arrived approximately 5:10 p.m.)
Janet Richardson, Seat D
Julie Jones, Seat E
Amy Stratman, Seat G
Jeremiah Cotter, Public Works Director (remotely)

Absent: *Vacant*, Seat B
Karen Erickson, Seat F

Also Present: Colt Chase, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

a) Regular Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2024

J. Jones, seconded by **A. Stratman**, moved to APPROVE the August 7, 2024 minutes.

Vice Chair Richardson took a voice vote on the motion to APPROVE the August 7, 2024 minutes and all members voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

J. Jones, seconded by **A. Stratman**, moved to APPROVE the agenda.

Vice Chair Richardson took a voice vote on the motion to APPROVE the agenda and all members voted in favor.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – None

COMMUNICATIONS TO COMMISSION – None

EVENTS & PUBLIC RELATIONS

a) August 13 Workday Recap

Vice Chair Richardson recounted the work performed at the August 13, 2024 workday.

b) Barnette School Class Cleanup and History Tour – September 6, 13, and 20

Vice Chair Richardson explained that a couple classes from Barnette Magnet School have arranged to visit the cemetery, similar to past years. She indicated that one group will receive a history tour while the other group rakes leaves and edging around markers, with the groups switching activities the second week. She noted that the September 6 date had been removed. C. Chase shared that his son had participated in this the prior year and enjoyed it.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

C. Chase confirmed that the provided report was up to date, including all known expenses.

J. Jones reported that the full amount of the current year's Bed Tax Grant had been spent so she will prepare their final paperwork to submit before the deadline of October 31. She asked if the additional \$10K allocation from the City Council came with stipulations for use in the current fiscal year only. C. Chase indicated that it had not, however they will need to ensure that a request is made for any remaining funds to be carried over into next year, otherwise they will likely be returned to the City's General Fund.

[Note: Chair Kilbourn arrived during the Financial Update]

J. Jones estimated that approximately \$6,443 could be spent, which would bring them back to their starting balance for the year. She noted an order for 25 markers that was in the works and that she can order a pallet of gravel locally. She asked if Public Works could assist with picking up gravel and delivering it to the cemetery. **J. Cotter** confirmed that they would be happy to pick up and deliver the order when it is ready. **J. Jones** stated that they will also need some additional concrete blocks. She indicated that after accounting for the 25 markers, she will calculate their needs for concrete blocks, order appropriately, and use any remaining funds to purchase gravel. She asked for consensus that this would be acceptable to the Commission. All present expressed consensus.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Quiring Monument Orders

J. Jones reported that the current order of 41 markers has been finished and is palletized but has not yet shipped, though it was estimated to do so in the following week. She shared that the next order in the queue, which includes 25 markers, will start being processed next week. She stated that the amount of details included on their markers requires them to be cut and monitored individually.

Vice Chair Richardson suggested that, given the lateness of the season, it would be best for the order to remain palletized next to the shed and they plan to install these markers in May 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Projects for 2025

i. Concrete pads to raise older Bed Tax markers

Vice Chair Richardson reported that in the early years of the Commission, markers were placed without concrete pads underneath. She noted that many of these units have sunken into the ground, almost to the point of disappearing. She suggested they purchase concrete pads to raise these, rather than ordering entirely new markers.

Chair Kilbourn stated that these sites do have gravel, just not the pads.

J. Jones asked to confirm which size of concrete pads these markers would need. **Vice Chair Richardson** indicated that some of them use the same size pad that they currently use for new markers, while others will need the larger option. She affirmed that they could inventory how many of each type would be needed and that this was just for older Bed Tax markers.

- ii. Raise Pioneers of Alaska bronze markers with gravel

Vice Chair Richardson stated that a similar sinking problem exists with many of the markers paid for by the Pioneers of Alaska, although some already have a concrete pad installed. She indicated that she intends to write a letter to the Pioneers of Alaska Foundation to request funds for gravel to raise these markers. **J. Jones** shared that they have Commission letterhead that she is welcome to use for the letter.

Chair Kilbourn stated that she will contact Dusty with the Air National Guard unit to request their help with these projects at a workday in late May or early June 2025. She added that two days would be ideal to complete all the expected volume of work. **Vice Chair Richardson** confirmed that there would be as many as 91 markers included in this effort.

A. Stratman requested they avoid scheduling this workday during the last week of school.

Vice Chair Richardson asked for consensus that they plan to use Bed Tax Grant money in 2025 to purchase these concrete pads, rather than putting names on new markers. **Chair Kilbourn** agreed that this should be a priority before the markers sink any further. **J. Jones** asked if they would continue to work on names for a future order. **A. Stratman** confirmed she will do so but noted that many names are at a dead-end until more information becomes available. **Chair Kilbourn** shared that she too has encountered many roadblocks, including conflicting information for some names. **Vice Chair Richardson** stated that they will never stop working on new names until there are no more markers left to place. She reiterated the focus on raising existing markers would simply be their priority for the following year.

Chair Kilbourn praised Vice Chair Richardson for the amount of work she has accomplished this summer, noting her own challenges with doing as much as she has in past years.

OPEN AGENDA

C. Chase shared that Dawn Milligan's Commission term had expired and that an email had been sent to inform her that she was welcome to continue serving, provided an application was submitted through the website. **Chair Kilbourn** stated that she had left a message on D. Milligan's machine, though the number she had sounded like a voicemail for a business. C. Chase explained that the seat would remain vacant until an appointment was made through the regular processes.

J. Jones reported that she has been unable to secure any commitments from someone with a drone to take an aerial image of the cemetery for their updated sign. She shared that she will be renting a lift in the near future for another project at her job and that she may be able to bring the lift over to cemetery for a photo. **A. Stratman** stated that she knows someone with a drone who may be willing to take images for them, if they can help obtain the necessary clearances for air space due to the proximity to the army base. **J. Jones** says she would be happy to help get the permits.

A. Stratman thanked the Public Works crew for the work they did on resetting the bench at the cemetery that had slid off its base due to tree root growth underneath. She shared that they did an amazing job and that they deserve a lot of recognition.

NEXT MEETING DATE – October 2, 2024

Chair Kilbourn indicated that she will be out of town on October 2nd. **Vice Chair Richardson** shared that would also be out of town that date. **Chair Kilbourn** asked if there were any schedule conflicts for Commission members or other City meetings that would prevent them from moving the meeting to the following Wednesday. No objections or conflicts were reported. C. Chase indicated that if they approved a change of meeting date, he would make the necessary adjustments in the public-facing and internal locations for meeting schedules.


Vice Chair Richardson, seconded by **G. Dalton**, moved to RESCHEDULE the next meeting date to October 9, 2024.

Vice Chair Richardson took a voice vote on the motion to RESCHEDULE the next meeting date to October 9, 2024 and all members voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Richardson declared the meeting ADJOURNED at 5:27 p.m.


Aldean Kilbourn, Chair


Colt Chase, Deputy City Clerk

Transcribed by: CC



FAIRBANKS DIVERSITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 10, 2024, 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.

HELD VIA [ZOOM WEBINAR](#) AND AT
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA



The **Fairbanks Diversity Council** (FDC) met on the above date to conduct a Regular Meeting via Zoom Webinar and at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska. **Chair Juanita Webb** (Seat D) was physically present, and the following members were in attendance:

Members Present (In Person):

Wendy Tisland, Seat H
Herb Butler, Seat J

Members Present (Zoom):

Timothy Ledna, Seat A
Marsha Oss, Seat E (arrived at 5:48 p.m.)
Karen Blackburn, Seat I
June Rogers, City Council Member

Members Absent:

Richard Basarab, Seat B (excused)
Vacant, Seat C
Dorothy Shockley, Seat F
Jonathan Bagwill, Seat G
Vacant, Seat K
David Pruhs, Mayor (excused)
Jake Merritt, HR Director (excused)

Also Present:

D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER (Reading of Mission Statement and Land Acknowledgement)

Chair Webb called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m., and the Mission Statement and Land Acknowledgement were read into the record.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Webb asked T. Ledna to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

W. Tisland, seconded by **H. Butler**, moved to APPROVE the agenda.

Chair Webb called for a voice vote on the motion to APPROVE the agenda, and all members voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

a) Regular Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2024

T. Ledna, seconded by **K. Blackburn**, moved to APPROVE the minutes.

Chair Webb called for a voice vote on the motion to APPROVE the minutes, and all members voted in favor.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS – None

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Chair Webb stated that she spoke with folks about three different items since the last meeting: a diversity fair, the human library, and education for children about diversity. She stated that the person she spoke with at the public library did not seem interested in a human library event. She wondered whether they should change the format of the next human library event so that there is a panel with all “books” having the same topic. Regarding the diversity fair, **Chair Webb** wondered what FDC members thought about modeling after a science fair where kids could make and enter projects related to diversity. She emphasized the importance of education as it relates to diversity. She added that she has also begun meeting with the man in charge of the Race Against Racism. **Chair Webb** requested feedback from members on the human library and the children’s diversity fair.

T. Ledna stated that if the human library event is reformatted with a panel, it should not be called a human library. He stated that either idea is good, but he does not believe a panel would serve the same purpose. **W. Tisland** agreed. She spoke in support of the human library and asked about the lack of interest from the public library. **Chair Webb** explained that the head person was not there and that her conversation with the staff member was odd. **W. Tisland** spoke in support of holding the human library event at the public library. **T. Ledna** agreed and stated that it may be a matter of finding the right person to speak with. **Chair Webb** shared that the person she wanted to speak with at the public library was not available at the time but that she has an appointment the following week with the person she intended to speak with.

H. Butler spoke about how tables at events sometimes become unmanned before the end of the event because of a lack of help or interest, and he gave an example of that happening at an Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) convention. He indicated that it can be difficult to find volunteers to stay for the full event schedule. **W. Tisland** stated that a diversity fair sounds like a large event and added that the FDC struggles to get a quorum. She asked Chair Webb about her vision and questioned whether one or more local schools would be targeted for participation. **Chair Webb** stated that she envisions a 4-hour event on a Saturday that is advertised to all the local schools and in the community. She added that it would be similar to the fall festival that takes place each year at the fairgrounds. She indicated that she would like the event to be volunteer-based and free to vendors and participants. She stated that it would be a great way to bring families and kids out. **J. Rogers** suggested that the FDC look into whether the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District’s (FNSBSD) diversity committee would be interested in collaborating on a diversity fair.

M. Oss arrived on Zoom.

Chair Webb asked whether any members would be interested in meeting with someone from the FNSBSD diversity committee to discuss the possibility of a diversity fair. **Blackburn** volunteered to contact someone from the FNSBSD diversity committee. **Chair Webb** shared that the FDC may be able to get volunteers from Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS), an organized group that looks for volunteer opportunities. **H. Butler** asked what age group would be involved with a diversity fair. He indicated that high school and middle school students may be more interested in the issue of diversity than elementary school students.

Chair Webb asked if any members would volunteer to take the lead on the human library and diversity fair projects. **W. Tisland** stated she would like to help with human library event unless T. Ledna is planning to take the lead. **T. Ledna** stated that this would be his last FDC meeting. He

explained that he will be resigning and moving out of state for health and personal development reasons. He stated that he loves Alaska and may return someday. **Chair Webb** expressed appreciation to T. Ledna for all he has done and stated that she expects him to return. **T. Ledna** stated that he loves Fairbanks and could see it being his permanent home in the future. He added that if the human library is kept in its current format, it is very easy to organize. He volunteered to share all the information and resources that have already been created. He suggested involving Lathrop High School and Tanana Middle School and spoke about how the middle school's principal, Heather Johnson, is a great support and resource. **M. Oss** stated that she is interested in helping with the diversity fair but cannot take the lead. **Chair Webb** stated that she will work with M. Oss on the diversity fair.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Discussion on Another Human Library Event

This item was discussed under the Report from the Chair.

b) Nominations for and Election of Vice Chair

Chair Webb stated that K. Blackburn has shown interest in serving as vice chair of the FDC. **Chair Webb** presented FDC members with the opportunity to make nominations or nominate themselves. No other nominations were made.

M. Oss, seconded by **W. Tisland**, moved to appoint K. Blackburn as the FDC vice chair.

J. Rogers spoke very highly of K. Blackburn and her involvement in the community. She spoke strongly in favor of K. Blackburn serving as vice chair.

Chair Webb called for a voice vote on the motion to APPOINT K. Blackburn as the FDC vice chair, and all members voted in favor.

K. Blackburn thanked fellow members for the opportunity to serve as vice chair. She stated she looks forward to growing, learning, and working to better the FDC.

c) Diversity Fair Ideas

This item was discussed under the Report from the Chair.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Review of "What We Do" Section of FDC Rack Card

Chair Webb asked members to review the rack card in its current form and provide feedback. **H. Butler** stated that he likes the rack card and that it provides good information. **M. Oss** spoke in support of the rack card stating that it focuses on the FDC's role.

Members agreed to maintain the current version of the rack card; there were no proposed changes. **M. Oss** requested that the rack card be posted to the City's Facebook page and be included in the

City newsletter. **M. Oss**, **W. Tisland**, and **H. Butler** requested a stack of rack cards to hand out, and Clerk Snider stated that she would prepare rack cards for those members.

FDC MEMBERS' COMMENTS

H. Butler asked whether there is anything in writing about the human library concept. **Chair Webb** stated that she read about the human library concept online after doing a Google search. **M. Oss** volunteered to share the flyer she created for the FDC's last human library event.

H. Butler asked whether the FDC is linked to any other diversity groups in the state. **Chair Webb** replied that she is not aware of any partnerships that exist. **H. Butler** volunteered to ask around during the AFN convention. He stated that he feels the FDC is necessary and is intrigued that the FDC has not heard from other diversity groups in the state. **J. Rogers** stated that the only contact she has been aware of was with a group from the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF).

W. Tisland stated that it is National Direct Support Professionals (DSP) week. She stated that DSPs help people in the community who have disabilities live as normal a life as possible. She stated that remembering those who are disabled in the community is important. She stated that a DSP is different than a PCA in that a DSP supports independent living while a personal care attendant (PCA) provides care for people.

M. Oss stated that the Improving Lives Conference will occur the following week in Anchorage. She stated that the conference supports and awards DSPs.

J. Rogers thanked everyone who is helping with by giving of their time and ideas. She stated that it is good to have H. Butler back on the FDC and spoke about his great deal of experience and knowledge on diversity issues. She stated that T. Ledna has been an inspiration in many ways, and she is glad he is leaving a part of his heart in Fairbanks. She thanked K. Blackburn for taking on the role of vice chair. **J. Rogers** stated that she would serve only one more FDC meeting as the City Council representative but assured everyone that she would still be involved in some capacity and attend meetings. She expressed hope to remain as an FDC member in a different capacity and stated that there is still much work to be done.

M. Oss stated that she enjoys being a part of the FDC. She thanked K. Blackburn for stepping up to serve as vice chair. She stated she would keep T. Ledna in her prayers and wished him the best. She congratulated T. Ledna on the recent adoption of his son and stated that she does not believe T. Ledna will be gone long.

K. Blackburn stated that T. Ledna will be missed. She commented that T. Ledna has been a great asset to the community and that she looks forward to him returning to Fairbanks. She shared that she also looks forward to her work with the FDC as vice chair. She thanked J. Rogers for all the kind words and stated that J. Rogers is a pillar in the community.

T. Ledna thanked everyone for all the kind words. He stated that he has appreciated being a part of the FDC and that he will miss everyone. He shared a quote that he likes, which states, "We all take different paths in life but no matter where we go, we will take a little of each other everywhere." He stated it will be interesting to find out what he will take with him from Fairbanks to Tennessee.

Chair Webb stated that the FDC is made up of a great group of people, and there has been a lot of forward movement. She jokingly stated that she expects T. Ledna to be back in March of 2025. She thanked Clerk Snider for her support.

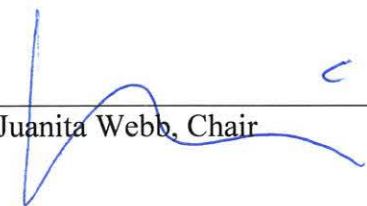
M. Oss asked for an update on the folks who applied to serve on the FDC. **Chair Webb** shared that one of the applicants has not responded, and the other stated that he would like to be involved but not as a member of the FDC. **Chair Webb** explained that she reached out to ask what type of involvement he would like to have and she has not heard back.

MEETING DATES

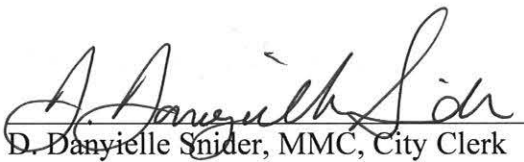
- a) Next Regular Meeting Date, October 8, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Webb declared the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.



Juanita Webb, Chair



D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk