

SYSTEMIC RACISM REVIEW COMMITTEE

December 14, 2021 12:00 PM

Zoom Webinar

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Worl called the Systemic Racism Review Committee to order at 12:01 p.m. and read the Land Acknowledgement.

II. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Lisa Worl, Vice Chair Grace Lee, Dominic Branson, Gail Dabaluz, Kelli Patterson, Carla Casulucan

Absent: None

Staff/Other: Robert Barr, Robert Palmer, Di Cathcart, Adam Gottschalk, Jill Maclean, Katie Koester and Assemblymember Liaison Christine Woll

Other staff in attendee mode: Sherri Layne, Alexandra Pierce

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as presented.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as presented.

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VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Barr read the ordinances on the consent agenda into the record.

MOTION: by Ms. Lee to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Hearing no objections, motion passed.

A. Legislation Introduced at December 13, 2021 Regular Assembly Meeting

The following Ordinances were up for introduction on the December 13, 2021 Regular Assembly Meeting. The SRRC checklists associated with each ordinance are in this SRRC packet.

Ordinances and material associated with the ordinances can be found in the Assembly packet: <https://juneau.org/assembly/assembly-minutes-and-agendas>

- **Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(S)** An Ordinance Appropriating \$2,000,000 to the Manager for the Capital Civic Center Capital Improvement Project; Funding Provided by General Funds.
- **Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(T)** An Ordinance Appropriating \$2,500,000 to the Manager for the August Brown Pool Capital Improvement Project; Funding Provided by General Funds.
- **Ordinance 2021-08(b)(am)(U)** An Ordinance Appropriating \$500,000 to the Manager for the Centennial Hall Renovation Phase 2 Capital Improvement Project; Funding Provided by General Funds.
- **Ordinance 2022-01** An Ordinance Repealing the Temporary Sales Tax Exemption for Sales of Cost of Power Adjustments on Electrical Power.
- **Ordinance 2022-03** An Ordinance Authorizing the Municipal Attorney to Update Monetary Values Pursuant to Adjustment Provisions in Previously Adopted Legislation.

VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. Resolution 2968 A Resolution Naming City and Borough of Juneau Property Legally Described as Archipelago Lot 2A "Peratrovich Plaza" in Honor of Elizabeth Peratrovich

In December 2020, Docks & Harbors completed Phase I of the Downtown Waterfront Improvement project which expanded the Seawalk and added a bus staging area. This property owned by CBJ is recognized in the Assessor's data base as Archipelago Lot 2A. The term Archipelago is often used by CBJ staff and downtown patrons to generally describe this area. Docks & Harbors staff has contemplated other appropriate names which would provide wayfinding opportunities to this area along the waterfront, but none were generally descriptive to the new development. In September, Ms. Crystal Worl, in partnership with CBJ and Sealaska Heritage Institute (SHI),

created and installed a 60 foot by 28 foot mural of Elizabeth Peratrovich along the face of the southeast wall of the Marine Parking Garage. This mural is now a prominent feature along the waterfront.

At its October 28 regular meeting, the Docks & Harbors Board voted to recommend the Assembly change the name of this area from Archipelago Lot 2A to Peratrovich Plaza. Docks & Harbors has consulted with Elizabeth's son (Roy Jr.) and Elizabeth's granddaughter (Betsy) as well as the artist and SHI. All have had favorable responses to the name change.

Mr. Barr gave an overview of the first resolution brought forward to the SRRC for review. Chair Worl appreciated the last statement of the resolution *"WHEREAS, naming the property as Peratrovich Plaza supports the Comprehensive Plan's objective to preserve and protect the unique culture of Juneau's Native People and promote responsible heritage tourism that accurately represents Juneau's unique history"* she hoped it was a lens the city would continue to look-through and incorporate.

There being no other discussion on the resolution, the committee recommended moving the resolution forward to the full Assembly for action.

B. Ordinance 2021-35 n Ordinance Amending the Land Use Code to Create a Mixed Use 3 (MU3) Zoning District and a Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District

Community Development Department Director Maclean gave a brief review of zoning in general as well as ordinance 2021-35 that is before the SRRC for review. Ms. Maclean noted that passing Ordinance 2021-35 would add these options when reviewing districts.

Chair Worl opened the floor up to committee members for questions.

Chair Worl appreciated the summary along with the ordinance. Chair Worl asked if this ordinance is creating new zones that will allow for public testimony when that time comes and asked if the intent is to create more options to create more multi-family housing along public transportation routes and close to businesses. Ms. Maclean noted an MU3 example might be the building located next to the Federal Building that currently has small businesses: Coppa Cafe, The Salt Cave, Seong's Sushi Bar on the bottom and single-family units above that could be rented or owned.

Chair Worl, I see more housing would be created, not eliminated with small-scale business. Could an individual own more than one of these types of

property, Ms. Maclean, yes the city can't restrict how much property is owned by an individual; the owner would have to stick with the uses that are allowed within the zoning district.

Ms. Patterson, are there any provisions in the ordinance that would create an area as a largely based low-income area. Ms. Maclean, there is no restriction per say, it should allow for more of a mixture of housing types and housing levels. Chair Worl recommended the SRRC use its legislative tool on an annual basis to review impacts of the various neighborhoods and areas.

There being no other discussion on the ordinance, the committee recommended moving the ordinance forward to the full Assembly for action.

C. Assembly Legislative Priorities

Engineering/Public Works Director Katie Koester noted that this list legislative priority list first came up last year after not being active for several years and had a short turn-around time to gather and submit priorities to the State and Feds. This year the goal is to take the priority list around to the various committees and incorporate the input from those committees. She noted it was good for the community to set those larger goals especially as the City looks at grant opportunities from the State and Federal government. Ms. Koester said the SRRC has a broader view of the community and is able to give valuable input. The priority list will go before the Assembly Public Works & Facilities Committee on Monday, December 20, 2021 and will go before the Assembly Finance Committee on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. The SRRC will see a final list for review at its Tuesday, January 11, 2021 meeting.

Chair Worl thanked Ms. Koester for her work on this and appreciated her change to the process to make it a broader review and looking at it through the equity lens. Chair Worl wondered if there might be any type of infrastructure for housing with proximity to the downtown walkable areas and needs around transportation as they relate to infrastructure were options for inclusion in the list. Another question Chair Worl had was around bus route infrastructure - if the need for additional bus shelters as well as sidewalks that connect with retail and public transit areas would be a consideration. Lastly, Chair Worl asked if the Bartlett Regional Hospital Mental Health construction that is happening had the ability to receive funds through this process.

Ms. Koester thanked Chair Worl - you touched on every topic our department deals with. Some of the projects around walkability, such as the Lemon

Creek Multimodal Path, was the main legislative priority of the Assembly last year. For priorities related to housing, the city is in the process of acquiring Telephone Hill as well as developing Pederson Hill. Ms. Koester noted there are no Bartlett Regional Hospital, Airport or Marine Passenger Fee requests as those projects have their own funding streams separate from this legislative priority list. Ms. Koester stated that sidewalks are on the City's new CIP projects list. The current challenge with snow removal for sidewalks and bus shelters is the staffing shortage Public Works is facing.

Chair Worl thanked Ms. Koester for bringing this forward and noted that from a committee standpoint, walkability within the community is a key priority; and looked forward to reviewing the finalized list at the next SRRC meeting.

IX. STAFF REPORTS

Chair Worl noted SRRC meetings were scheduled for the Tuesday following a regular Assembly meeting with placeholder meetings scheduled as well if the committee determines it needs the additional meeting for legislation review or future trainings.

MOTION: by Mr. Branson to adopt the 2022 Systemic Racism Review Committee meeting calendar. ***Hearing no objections, motion passed.***

A. Draft SRRC 2022 Meeting Calendar Schedule

X. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Assemblymember Woll reported the Assembly held its annual retreat on Saturday, December 4 with a focus on 2022 Assembly goals. The Assembly met last night (12/13/2021) and slimmed down the goals list and Mr. Barr will finalize the list for posting and distribution.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

A. Tentative Meeting Date: January 11, 2022 at 12:00pm via Zoom Webinar

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.