

**ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA**
February 25, 2019, 6:00 PM.
Assembly Chambers - Municipal Building

AGENDA

I. ROLL CALL

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV. AGENDA TOPICS

A. Parks & Recreation Master Plan

Due to the 228 page size of the Draft Parks & Recreation Master Plan, it is not included in this e-packet but is linked online at
<http://www.juneau.org/parkrec/documents/ParksRecreationMasterPlan2019-2029FDRAFTsmall.pdf>

B. Dockless Vehicles - Electric Scooters/Bikes

C. Food Truck Update - Verbal Report

D. State Budget

Your packet includes copies of past resolutions adopted by the Assembly relating to the state budget process:

Resolution 2763: *A Resolution Urging the Alaska Legislature to Pass a Balanced, Sustainable, and Predictable State Fiscal Plan to Help Ensure Long Term Fiscal Stability for the Citizens of the State of Alaska.* (adopted July 11, 2016)

Resolution 2741: *A Resolution Urging the Alaska Legislature to Adopt a Balanced, Sustainable, and Predictable State Budget Plan for FY2017 and Future Years.* (adopted February 8, 2016)

Resolution 2239: *A Resolution of the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly Supporting Legislation Mandating that Fiscal Notes Considering Impact on Local Taxpayers be Required for All State of Alaska Legislation and Administrative Actions That Could Have Economic Impacts on School Districts and Local Governments.* (adopted October 27, 2003)

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Contract Negotiations

VI. ADJOURNMENT

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CBJ Parks & Recreation Master Plan

Alexandra Pierce

Project Manager, Parks & Rec



CBJ Parks & Rec Master Plan

Mission Statement

To establish Parks & Recreation's role as an essential partner in a healthy community

Vision Statement

Guiding future decisions to provide the highest possible quality Parks & Recreation facilities, programs and services for all regardless of age, income, or ability

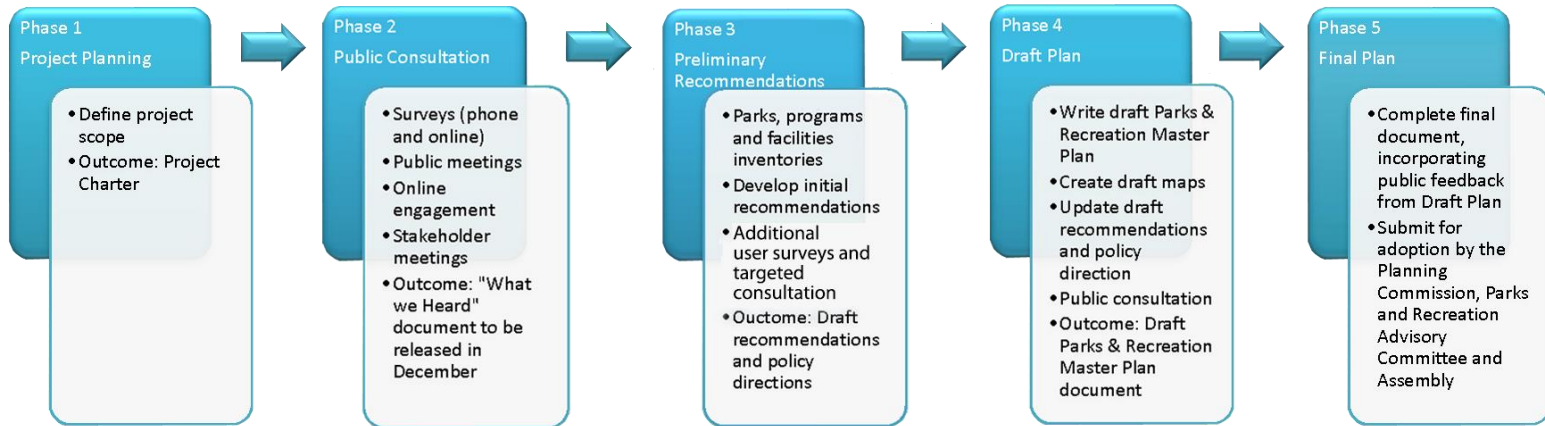


Guiding Principles

- Promoting community engagement, health and wellness
- Managing our assets effectively
- Ensuring financial sustainability
- Supporting community partnerships
- Engaging youth and encouraging lifelong wellness
- Serving the needs of a diverse and changing population
- Fostering environmental stewardship
- Increasing cultural awareness
- Making programs and facilities accessible to all



Process



Public Process

- 500+ households participated in a phone survey
- 300+ residents participated in an online survey
- 3,500+ residents viewed project information on PlaceSpeak
- Focused surveys about specific topics
- PRAC Special Committee helped draft and review the Plan



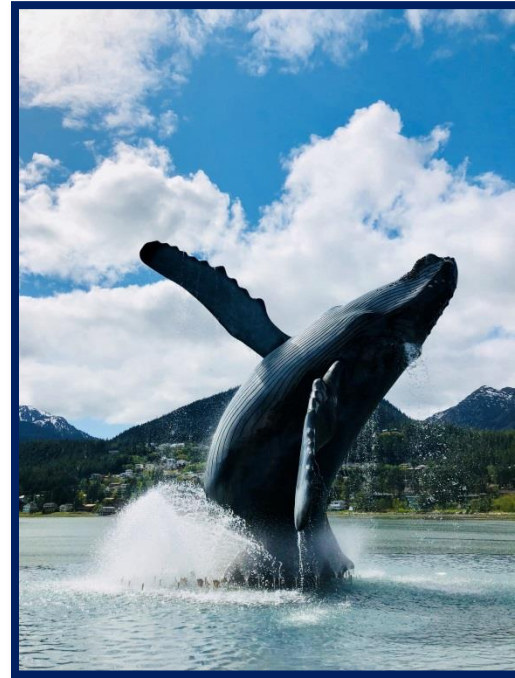
Key Features

- Purpose of the Master Plan:
 - To create a roadmap for parks and recreation services in Juneau over the coming 10-20 years
- Current challenges and priorities:
 - Funding priorities
 - Partnerships
 - Equity
 - Financial sustainability



Project Scope

- Exclusions
 - Parking, Building Maintenance, Centennial Hall
- Community engagement
- Parks, programs and facilities inventory
- Gap analysis / needs assessment



Themes

- Partnerships
 - Collaboration between CBJ, other government agencies, social service agencies, and other recreation providers
- Financial sustainability
 - Determining and maintaining an appropriate balance between revenue and general fund support
- Social equity
 - Programs are investments in the community, supporting underserved residents is a key challenge
- Maintaining what we have
 - Avoid deferring needed maintenance



Juneau Parks and Recreation System

- Parkland Classifications
 - Recreation Service Parks
 - Natural Area Parks
 - Park distribution
- Trails Classification
- Recreation Facilities Inventory
- Program Inventory
- Non-CBJ providers



Needs Assessment

- NRPA Benchmarking
- Parks Service Standards “Do we have the right parks in the right places with the right equipment?”
 - Direction for future CIPs
 - Allowable uses in different park types
- Trails Service Standards
- Recreation Facility Standards
- Program Standards
- Gaps and barriers to participation
- Land acquisition and disposal
 - Processes for disposal of large tracts or individual lots
 - Parkland acquisition



Programming Needs

- Early childhood programs
- Seniors programs
- After school opportunities
- Continue to enhance and grow social programs (BAM after school program, Youth Employment in the Parks)



Recreation Service Parks

Parks developed for active recreation and programmed use. May be a single use or activity area. Types include:

- Mini Parks
- Neighborhood Parks
- Community Parks
- Special Use Areas



Natural Area Parks

Parks that provide areas of natural quality with access to water, open space, and/or dispersed passive recreation activities. Types include:

- Semi-primitive Areas
- Developed Natural Areas
- Conservation Areas



Trails, Pathways and Beach Accesses

- Trails and pathways are found in Recreation Service Parks, Natural Area Parks, and other areas of the community.
- Trails are classified using the U.S. Forest Service Trail Standards
- The Plan recommends development of a new multi-agency trails plan



Vacant/Other Parklands

- Lands managed by Parks & Rec that do not fall into any of the parkland categories outlined in this document
- Parkland may be developable if it falls within the urban service boundary, has reasonable access, does not contain steep slopes or environmentally sensitive areas, is not being actively used for public recreation, and does not otherwise fulfill the goals established by this plan.



Parkland Acquisition & Disposal

CBJ may acquire private property or property owned by other government entities consistent with the CBJ Comprehensive Plan, a specific Area Plan, or any other CBJ planning document that identifies acquisition of park lands. CBJ will follow land acquisition processes in the Land Management Plan. Reasons for acquiring parkland may include:

- Right-of-way alignment to CBJ property suitable for parkland development
- Preservation of a trail corridor
- Public access
- Current or future need for new parks or facilities
- Consolidation of land ownership
- Enhancement or protection of adjacent Parks & Rec property
- Habitat preservation & restoration
- Bequests or donated land



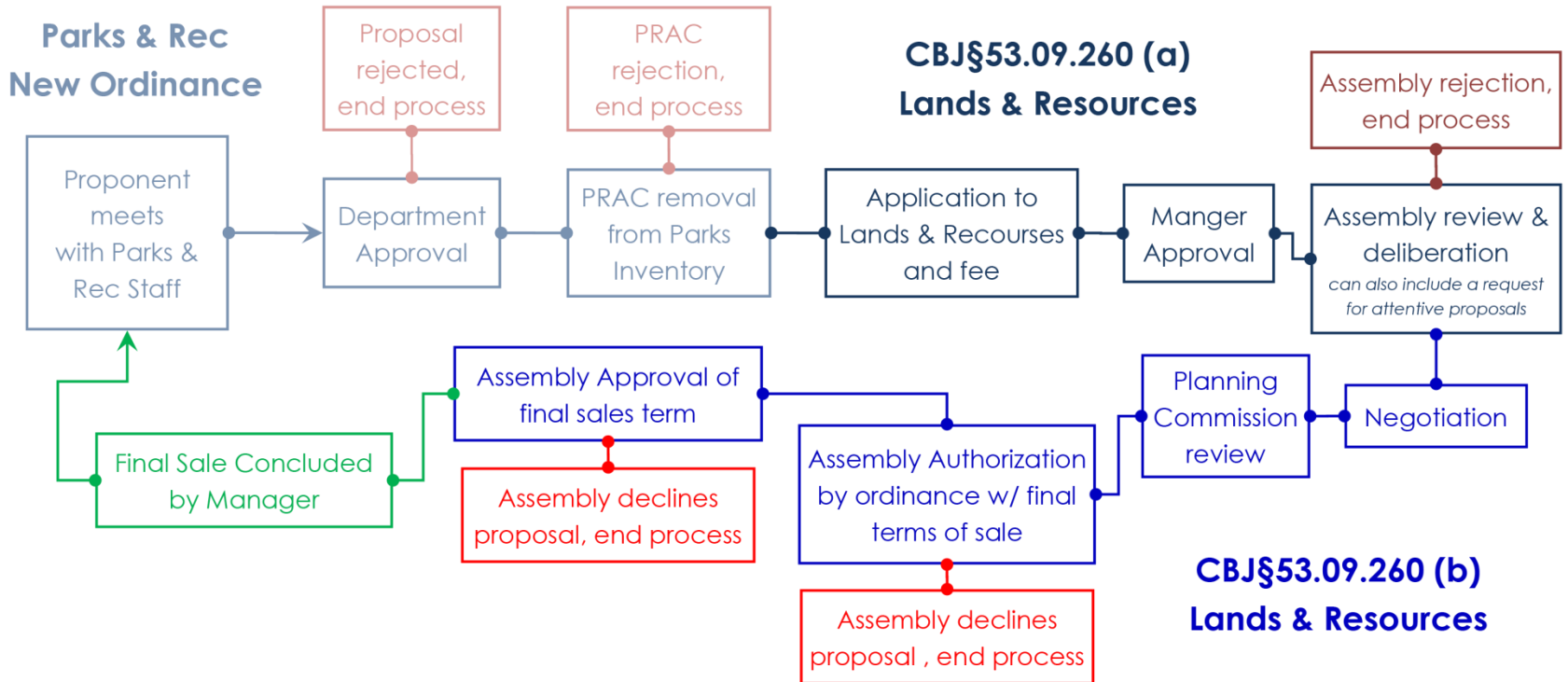
Parkland Acquisition & Disposal

Parkland Disposal Process:

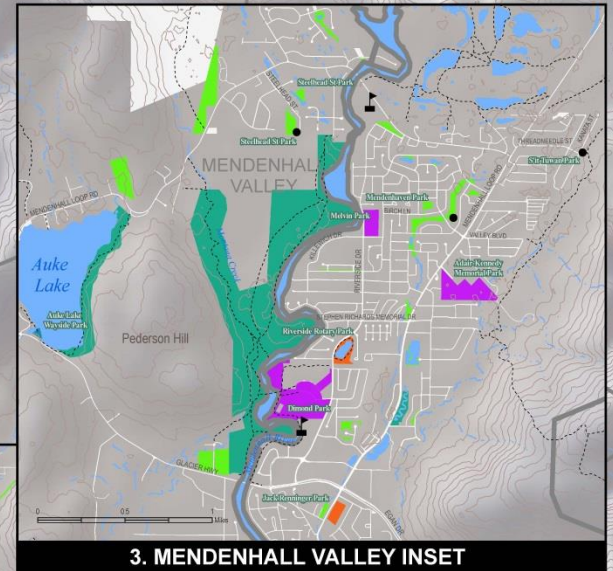
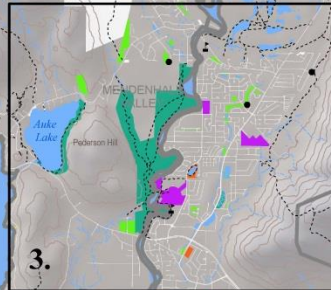
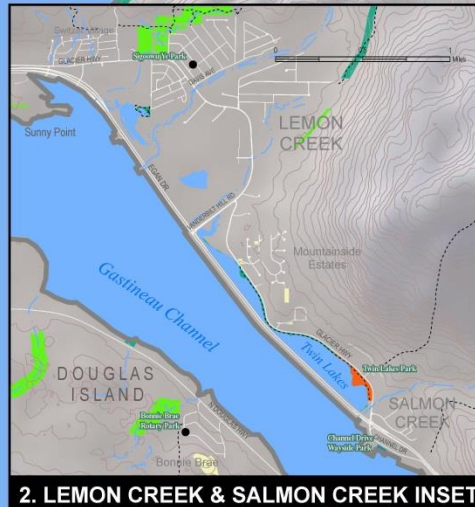
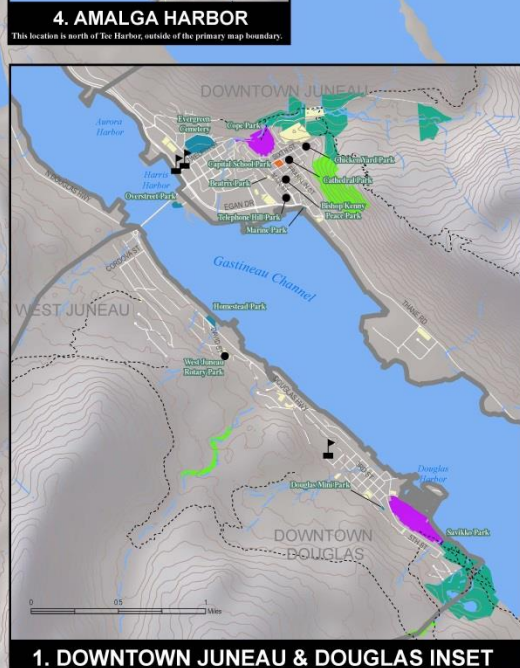
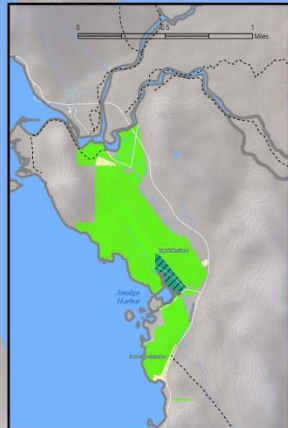
- **Removal from Park System:** The Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) shall consider all proposals to dispose of parkland, and will provide a recommendation to the Assembly regarding all such proposals. PRAC would vote to remove the parcel from the Park System to trigger the Lands & Resources disposal process.
- **Lands & Resources Disposal Process:** Once a parcel is removed from the park system by the PRAC and Assembly, and deemed suitable for development by relevant agencies, it will follow the process defined in the CBJ Land Management Plan. After these actions have been completed the plat can be recorded. At that time the CBJ or developer can sell or develop the lot(s). The Parks & Rec Department should be involved in the Agency Review process.



Parkland Disposal Process

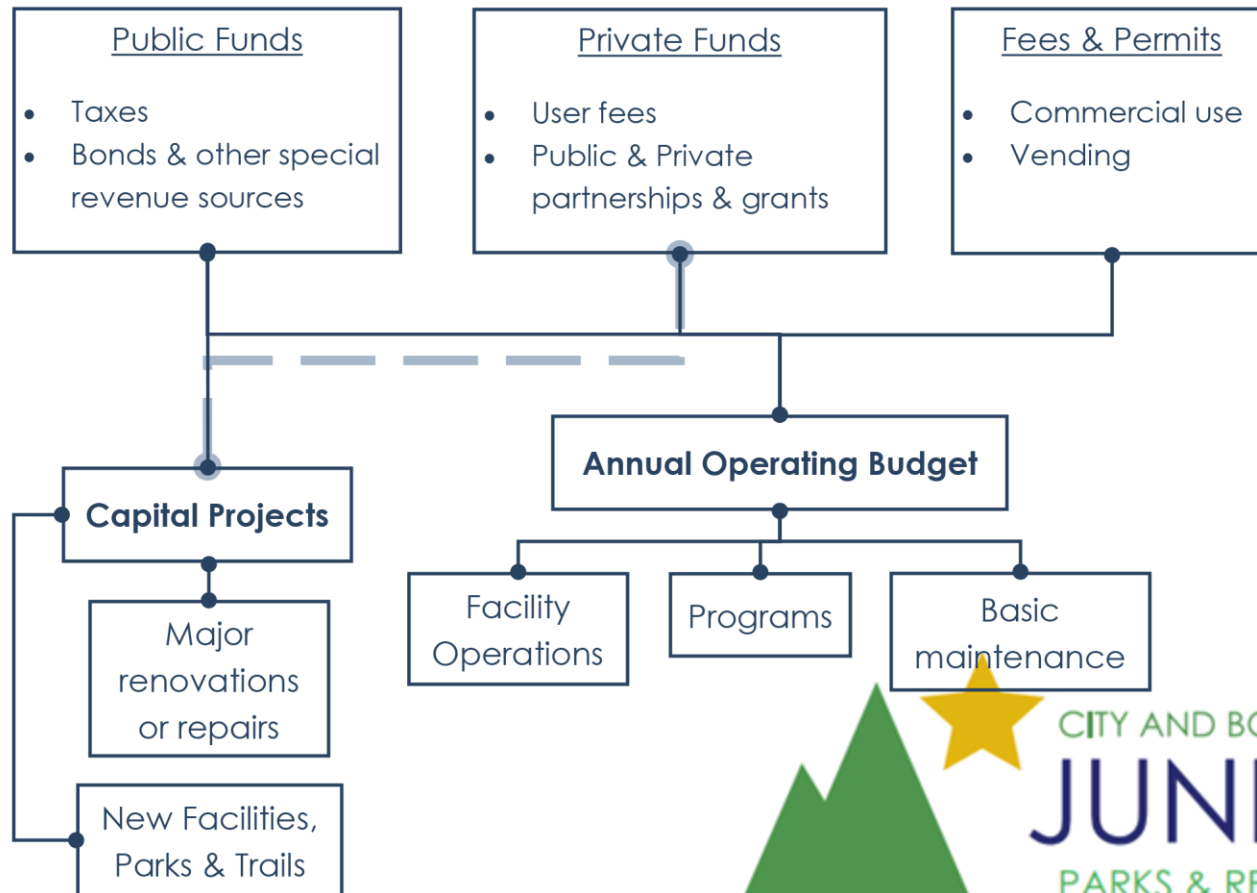


City & Borough of Juneau Parks & Recreation Parks Map



Funding

Public vs. Private Funding



Funding



Key issues:

- Commercial use
- Financial arrangements with government partners
- Cost recovery and fees and charges policies



Implementation

How to implement the Master Plan

- Yearly: review priorities and recommendations, set annual goals
- Every 3 years: Review mid range recommendations, update goals
- Every 5 years: Update the Master Plan and reset goals and priorities



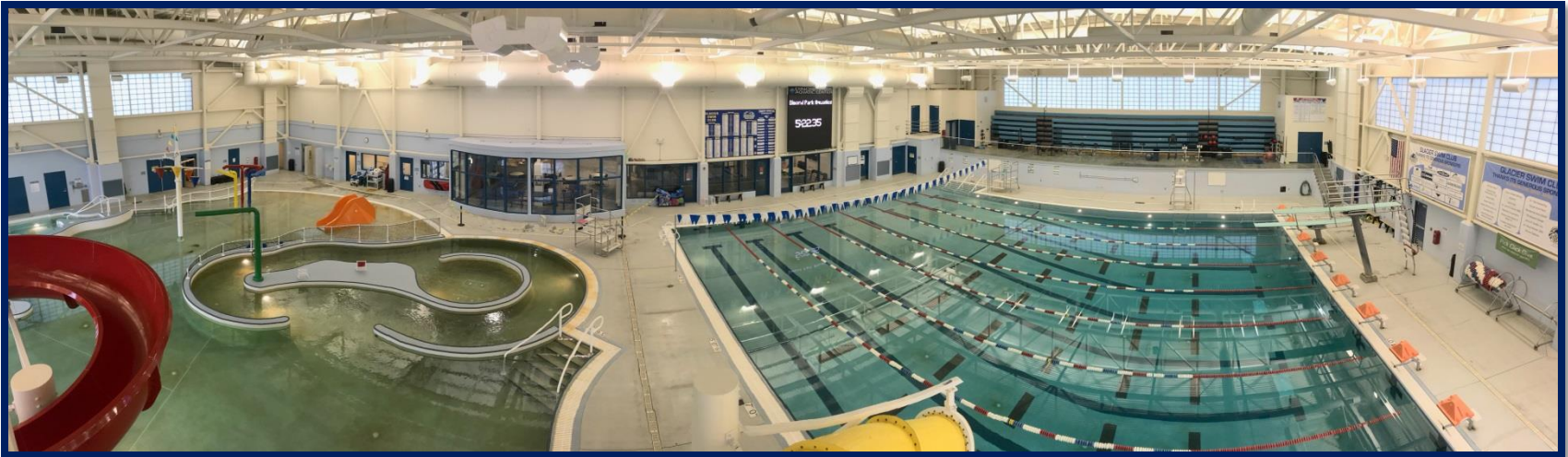
Implementation

How we measure success

- Program and service implantation
- Implementing specific projects
- Capital project implantation



Staff recommends that the Committee of the Whole forwards the Parks & Recreation Master Plan to the Assembly for adoption.



Questions?

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DATE: February 25, 2019

TO: Maria Gladziszewski, Chair, Assembly Committee of the Whole

FROM: Mila Cosgrove, Deputy City Manager

RE: Dockless Transportation Devices

Background:

Dockless transportation devices (scooters and e-bikes) have become a growing management and policy concern in communities in the lower 48. Many municipalities have experienced what some communities call a "dockless invasion." Essentially, the community is identified by a dockless device company as a good business location. The company then drops off hundreds of scooters or bikes for public use, seemingly overnight. The devices are set up within a geo fenced area to limit the range of operation. Users then download an app, pay a small unlock fee, and then a per mile charge. Because the devices are dockless, they are left wherever the last user wants to end their ride. The devices are then picked up, generally by community members who sign up to be contract chargers, recharged, and then replaced somewhere within the geo fenced area for further use.

There are significant community impacts to this business model. The dockless nature of these devices means that they are randomly distributed cluttering sidewalks, rights of way, and other public spaces. This impairs pedestrian access and has raised concerns about ADA access. In addition, there are significant safety concerns. Scooters in particular are viewed as potentially hazardous to the riders, pedestrian traffic and vehicular traffic in the area. The scooters operate at a speed of up to 15MPH. While they can be operated in a more nimble fashion than bikes, they are not well designed for use on uneven surfaces which can result in riders being thrown from the devices at high speeds.

There are positives to dockless transportation devices as well; they can extend the comfortable range of pedestrian commutes, supplement transit routes by effectively closing gaps in routes, they can help reduce automobile traffic, and they are perceived as a cleaner form of transportation than fuel burning alternatives.

Online information:

The conversation around dockless devices and community impact is evolving. I have provided a few representative links to interesting articles that address this issue. Much more on this topic can be found with a simple internet search.

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Dockless Transportation Devices

Information regarding management controls from Charlottesville Virginia and San Diego, California:

<http://www.charlottesville.org/departments-and-services/departments-h-z/neighborhood-development-services/scooters-and-dockless-bike-share>

<https://fox5sandiego.com/2019/02/14/mayor-proposes-new-rules-for-dockless-scooter-bikes/>

Benefits of dockless bikes and scooters:

<http://t4america.org/2018/09/05/focusing-on-the-positives-of-dockless-bikes-and-scooters/>

Legal issue around potential ADA concerns:

<https://www.10news.com/news/team-10/lawsuit-targets-city-of-san-diego-and-dockless-scooter-companies>

Requested Action:

Municipalities throughout the country are responding in a variety of ways, but in most cases they are reacting to the sudden and increasing presence of these devices in their public spaces. Juneau has the opportunity to be proactive in our approach, identifying and discussing policy concerns and conducting a risk benefit analysis prior to dockless transportation devices entering our community.

The Manager's Office asks the Assembly to *request the Manager draft an ordinance that would prohibit the commercial use of dockless transportation devices until such a time as the Assembly can fully consider policy and operational concerns.*

Presented by: The Manager
Introduced: 07/11/2016
Drafted by: M. A. Cosgrove

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2763

A Resolution Urging the Alaska Legislature to Pass a Balanced, Sustainable, and Predictable State Fiscal Plan to Help Ensure Long Term Fiscal Stability for the Citizens of the State of Alaska.

WHEREAS, Alaska's reliance on oil revenues to fund state programs and services has been significantly compromised leaving the State of Alaska with a \$4.0 billion budget deficit for FY17; and

WHEREAS, the cash budget reserves currently being used by the State to cover expenses will deplete the budget reserve in FY18 without further action; and

WHEREAS, major business leaders in the State have warned they would be unlikely to continue making significant commercial investments in Alaska if the Legislature fails to address the fiscal deficit in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walker has introduced a complete fiscal plan to provide for a sustainable and predictable balanced budget, using the strengths of our existing financial assets, a balanced blend of spending reductions, and additional new revenues; and

WHEREAS, following adjournment of the 2016 regular session and fourth special session of the 29th Legislature, the Legislature did not pass a comprehensive fiscal plan; and

WHEREAS, the new fiscal reality requires the Legislature to demonstrate strong leadership and bold action; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau is concerned about the State's fiscal challenge and recognizes that all levels of government must contribute to the fiscal solution; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's municipalities and economy need fiscal certainty from the Legislature to allow for budget planning and the development of sustainable local budgets that provide for public services; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature did not pass a comprehensive fiscal plan and instead relied heavily on limited state savings to balance the State's FY17 operating budget; and

WHEREAS, the Governor, in response to the Legislative FY17 budget action made significant vetoes to the State budget, which have over a \$4.5 million negative financial impact to Juneau.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau calls upon the Alaska State Legislature to take affirmative and immediate action during the fifth special session of the 29th Legislature to enact a package of initiatives that will provide for a sustainable and predictable balanced state budget for the foreseeable future.

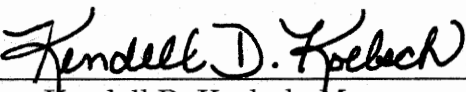
Section 2. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau appreciates the difficult work of the Administration to put forth one possible comprehensive fiscal solution; and while the City and Borough of Juneau may not support every aspect of this plan, does recognize it as the appropriate foundation for legislative deliberation.

Section 3. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau requests that if a full fiscal plan cannot be achieved this year, then sufficient new revenue must be raised to fund the state's commitment to school debt reimbursement which the Governor vetoed due to a lack of funding.

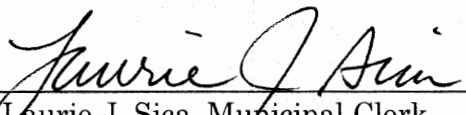
Section 4. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau urges that the Alaska State Legislature engage in meaningful discussions of all fiscal options.

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately after its adoption.

Adopted this 11th day of July, 2016.


Kendell D. Koelsch, Mayor

Attest:


Laurie J. Sica, Municipal Clerk

Presented by: The Manager
Introduced: 02/08/2016
Drafted by: A. G. Mead

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2741

A Resolution Urging the Alaska Legislature to Adopt a Balanced, Sustainable, and Predictable State Budget Plan for FY2017 and Future Years.

WHEREAS, due to the drastic drop in the global oil prices the State of Alaska is facing a \$3.5 billion budget deficit for FY16; and

WHEREAS, production of Alaska North Slope crude oil has steadily decreased over the past 25 years; and

WHEREAS, global oil prices have dropped significantly over the past two years and are projected to remain relatively low for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, the drop in oil prices has resulted in the State funding its budget in large part with its savings; and

WHEREAS, the cash reserves currently being used by the State to cover the existing deficit will be depleted in just a few years, threatening the State's annual dividend program and potentially the State's Permanent Fund itself; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has been duly warned by Standard & Poor's that due to the current fiscal imbalance, the State's credit rating will continue to be downgraded if the Legislature fails to take appropriate action in 2016; and

WHEREAS, while the State enjoys robust savings it is estimated those budget reserves will be drained by the end of FY18 if prices continue to remain low and a sustainable budget is not adopted by the Legislature and Governor; and

WHEREAS, in FY16, due to such low oil prices, the Legislature made considerable cuts to both the State's Operating and Capital budgets and the Governor found efficiencies along with instituting program cuts and reductions in some state services; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature and the Governor are expected to continue to make service cuts and find further operating efficiencies within state government; and

WHEREAS, while it is expected further cuts to the State's Operating and Capital budgets will reduce the cost of government, cuts alone will not solve the State's enormous fiscal gap; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau is concerned about the State's fiscal challenge and recognizes that all levels of government must contribute to the fiscal solution; and

WHEREAS, because of the State's fiscal challenges more responsibilities are and will likely continue to be passed to the local level; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the State's fiscal challenge, the City and Borough of Juneau must continue to provide public services while also reducing its costs and raising new revenues; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's municipalities and economy need fiscal certainty from the Legislature to allow for budget planning and the development of sustainable local budgets that provide for public services.

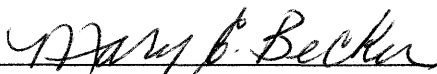
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau calls upon the Alaska State Legislature to take affirmative and immediate action this year to enact a package of initiatives that will provide for a sustainable and predictable balanced state budget for the foreseeable future.

Section 2. The City and Borough of Juneau believes a sustainable budget plan should include action this legislative session to increase state revenue, including some use of Permanent Fund earnings to maintain state services.

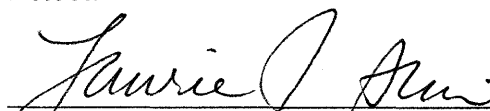
Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately after its adoption.

Adopted this 8th day of February, 2016.



Mary E. Becker, Mayor

Attest:



Laurie J. Sica, Municipal Clerk

Presented by: The Manager
Introduced: 10/27/2003
Drafted by: J.W. Hartle

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2239

A Resolution of the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly Supporting Legislation Mandating that Fiscal Notes Considering Impact on Local Taxpayers be Required for All State of Alaska Legislation and Administrative Actions That Could Have Economic Impacts on School Districts and Local Governments.

WHEREAS, fiscal notes formally calculate the fiscal impacts of proposed legislation and administrative actions and, currently, the State of Alaska requires fiscal notes only for impacts on the State budget, with no provision to protect and inform local municipal taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, information provided in fiscal notes can be useful for decision making even when dollar estimates are not possible; and

WHEREAS, 42 states have fiscal note processes that require consideration of impacts on both state and local governments to protect and inform local taxpayers about state legislation and administrative actions that will raise local taxes or reduce local services; and

WHEREAS, Article X Section 14 of the Alaska Constitution charges the Executive Branch of the state government with the responsibility to “advise and assist local governments”; and

WHEREAS, as the Governor and Legislature search for ways to reduce state spending, it is likely that some proposed measures will affect local taxpayers through economic impacts on school districts and local governments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau respectfully expresses its support for the proposal to require municipal fiscal notes for all legislation or administrative regulations that could affect local taxpayers through economic impacts on school districts and local governments.

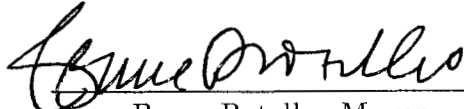
Section 2. Fiscal notes for local economic impacts should be prepared at the same time as fiscal notes for state government impacts and the fiscal note process should include e-mail notification of school district and local government administrators and finance officials.

Section 3. Fiscal notes should, whenever possible, cite the separate effect for each school district or local government jurisdiction affected, in dollar amount for the current fiscal year and estimates for the next two succeeding fiscal years.

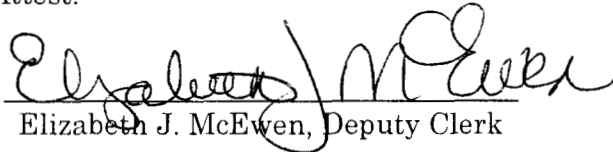
Section 4. Copies of this resolution will be sent to Governor Murkowski and the Alaska State Legislature upon adoption.

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 27th day of October, 2003.


Bruce Botelho, Mayor

Attest:


Elizabeth J. McEwen, Deputy Clerk

Vote: Unanimous

City and Borough of Juneau
Finance Department
As of February 21, 2019, 3PM

Issues Related to State of Alaska Proposed Budget Decreases
(\$000's)

Issue: As the State of Alaska works through their budget deficit challenges it is important to track the financial effect on the CBJ operating budget. The budgetary impacts can either reduce direct revenues to CBJ or increase our costs. Initially the effects are being tracked in 3 categories: 1.) Directly impacting CBJ, 2.) Directly Impacting Education (JSD, UAS, etc.) or 3.) Directly impacting other Orgs/Programs across Juneau. Staff has not yet tried to estimate the impact of state reductions on the overall economy, which could have a negative affect on property and sales tax revenues.

Issue #	Description	Agency/ Program	FY19 Funding Loss	FY19 FTEs	FY20 Funding Loss	FY20 FTEs	Comments
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Directly impacting CBJ

C1	Reduced Municipal Revenue Sharing - Community Assistance Program	CBJ / CAP	\$ -		\$ 830.0		FTE impact TBD
C2	Reduced Municipal Revenue Sharing - Fisheries Tax	Docks & Harbors	\$ 400.0		\$ 400.0		Harbor Division evaluating impacts
C3	School Bond Debt Reimbursement past obligations	CBJ	\$ -		\$ 7,100.0		5 year exposure - another \$16.0M
C4	5 year moratorium on school construction & major maintenance funding requires CBJ to increase costs. Initially CBJ funding at a minimum for critical needs soon the funding will need to increase significantly.	CBJ/JSD	\$ 600.0		\$ 1,000.0		Moratorium shifts costs to municipalities. This reduction is carryforward from prior year actions.

Total CBJ Direct Impact

\$ 1,000.0	0	\$ 9,330.0	0
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Directly impacting Education in Juneau (JSD, UAS, etc.)

E1	Reduces K-12 education formula	Juneau School District	\$ -		\$ 10,000.0	120	FTE reduction includes an estimate of 100 to 150 teachers and support staff.
E2	K-12 education decrease in-turn decreases amount CBJ can fund to the cap	Juneau School District	\$ -		\$ 3,000.0		Reduces what CBJ can contribute to the cap (to JSD) by several million dollars.
E3	Eliminates \$20M in FY19 and \$30M in FY20 Statewide School Funding	Juneau School District	\$ 682.00		\$ 1,017.8		
E4	Eliminates all early childhood education grant programs including pre-K, Best Beginnings, Head Start and more	Juneau School District	\$ -		?		Impact TBD
E5	Cuts \$155 million of University of Alaska funding	University of Alaska	\$ -		?		Impact TBD

Total Juneau Education Direct Impact

\$ 682.0	0	\$ 14,017.8	120
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Issue #	Description	Agency/ Program	FY19 Funding Loss	FY19 FTEs	FY20 Funding Loss	FY20 FTEs	Comments
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Directly impacting Juneau Community

J1	Eliminates Senior Benefits program		\$ -		?		Changing the mandatory senior citizen property tax exemption to optional increases the minimum required local contribution and reduces state funding.
J2	Decreases Pioneer Home funding in half and raises fees	Pioneer Homes	\$ -		?		Impact TBD
J3	Cuts 75% of Marine Highway Funding	Marine Highway	\$ -		?		Impact TBD
J4	Removes \$271 million from Medicaid services		\$ -		?		Impact TBD
J5	Eliminates public broadcasting funds (\$3.5M Statewide)	Gavel to Gavel / KTOO	\$ -		?		Note: CBJ provides \$150K annually
J6	Eliminates the DNR (Department of Natural Resources) Recorder's Office - Juneau	Department of Natural Resources	\$ -		?	1	Impact TBD
J7	Eliminates State Jobs located in Juneau	State of Alaska	\$ -		?	16	Impact TBD
J8	Eliminates the Ocean Rangers Program (\$3.8M Statewide)	State of Alaska	\$ -		?		Impact TBD - Coast Guard-certified marine engineers riding on cruise ships looking for signs of pollution in Alaska waters.
J9	Eliminates the the ABCM Boards (Alcohol Beverage Control and Marijunau Control)	State of Alaska	\$ -		\$ -		Impact TBD - Proposal would shift duties to Alaska Department of Commerce
J10	Reductions to Juneau Housing /Homeless community programs: Juneau Housing First Collaborative & Reach Inc., Gastineau Human Services, AWARE, Glory Hall, St. Vincent DePaul, etc.		\$ -		\$ 1,000.0		

Total Community Impact

\$ - 0	\$ 1,000.0 17
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Presented: Mayor, Deputy Mayor
Introduced: 03/04/19
Drafted by: Manager's Office

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. XXXX

A Resolution Urging the Alaska Legislature to Pass a Balanced, Sustainable, and Predictable State Budget to Help Ensure Long Term Fiscal and Economic Stability for the Citizens of the State of Alaska.

WHEREAS, Alaska's reliance on oil revenues to fund state programs and services has been significantly compromised due to lower oil prices and reduced production; and

WHEREAS, there have been significant reductions to state services and restructuring of reserves over the last four legislative sessions; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's municipalities and economy need budget certainty from the Administration and the Legislature to allow for budget planning and the development of sustainable local budgets that provide predictable public services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget from the Governor would have significant adverse impact to local residents, municipalities and on the local and statewide economy; and

WHEREAS, with no time for preparation, the proposed budget from the Governor will require local municipalities, including the City and Borough of Juneau, to abruptly adjust the budget to support core services such as education and healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau believes that coordination between state and local government results in effective outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the continued fiscal reality requires the Legislature to demonstrate strong leadership and bold action to pass a budget that creates a vibrant and thriving future for all Alaskans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau calls upon the Alaska State Legislature to take affirmative and immediate action to enact a budget that will provide for a sustainable and predictable balanced state budget for the foreseeable future.

Section 2. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau appreciates the difficult work the Administration put forth in developing a budget proposal to balance revenues and expenditures.

Section 3. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau requests a budget that does not shift the funding burden for core services such as education and healthcare from the State to local municipalities.

Section 4 The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau requests that where significant reductions are required a transition plan be initiated over several years to minimize the shock to the state economy;

Section 5. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau calls upon its citizens to respectfully voice their opinions regarding the budget to the Governor and Legislators throughout the state.

Section 6. The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau urges that the Alaska State Legislature engage in meaningful discussion of all fiscal options (including broad based state taxes and substantial use of permanent fund earnings as originally intended by the voters in 1976) with the goal of providing a strong future to Alaska citizens.

Section 7. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately after its adoption.

Adopted this 4th day of March, 2019.

Beth A. Weldon, Mayor

Attest:

Elizabeth J. McEwen, Municipal Clerk