

PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING – MINUTES
JUNE 10, 2019, 12:00 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 PM.

Members Present: Ms. Hale, Ms. Triem, Mr. Edwardson, Mr. Bryson, Mr. Campbell –
Planning Commission Liaison

Staff Present: John Bohan, Mila Cosgrove, Rob Palmer, Ed Foster, Janet Sanbei, Nathan
Coffee, James Zuelow, Tim Felstead,

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 20, 2019 – Regular Meeting

No objection, minutes approved.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION on NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

IV. ITEMS FOR ACTION

A. Juneau School District Deferred Maintenance Fund Transfer

Mr. Bohan gave a brief description of the purpose for this transfer. He noted the School District has approved the transfer.

Mr. Edwardson moved the Public Works and Facilities Committee forward the Juneau School District fund transfer to the full Assembly recommending approval, asking for unanimous consent.

No objections – motion passed.

B. Utility Connections in Public Right of Ways – Code Revisions

Mr. Bohan gave a brief description of the code change. He turned the remaining time for explanation to City Attorney Rob Palmer.

Mr. Palmer stated it is difficult to do right-of-way work in the DOT right-of-way. It is necessary to change the code to come in compliance with DOT standards for right-of-way work. These code amendments should assist a private developer to connect to City sewer/water lines without difficulty from DOT.

Ms. Triem moved the Public Works and Facilities Committee move Ordinance 2019-24 to the full Assembly for approval and asked for unanimous consent.

No objection, motion passed.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. DOT&PF Update Egan Drive – 10th to Main St.

Catherine Wilkins, Construction Manager, Southeast Region, DOT&PF, gave a brief explanation of the project and possible traffic impacts over the next 2 years. The project includes wider sidewalks, bike lanes, additional crosswalks, new stop lights, and a 3-lane road – one lane in each direction with a turn lane in the middle.

To keep traffic moving, lanes will be reduced to one lane in each direction. First it will be 1 lane in each direction on the seaward side, and later it will be 1 lane in each direction on the mountain side. The traffic light at Whittier will be turned off. No left turns off of Egan from the Bridge/10th Street to Main Street. A light patch pavement will be placed to make the road safer to drive on for the length of the project...until it is time to put the final pavement down. We don't want people to think it is finished...it isn't.

Mr. Bryson asked if the two new crossings will have additional light controls.

Ms. Wilkins stated there will not be any additional signals at the crosswalks.

Additional discussion ensued.

Ms. Wilkins stated she will follow up on Committee concerns with Mr. Bohan.

Sergei & Matthew – Capital Transit, were asked to come and answer Committee questions.

Ms. Hale asked what outreach has occurred for traffic pattern changes.

Sergei stated a public announcement was released last week, placed on the website, and put at several bus stops throughout the City. There is a Map on the website that shows the new bus patterns.

Additional discussion ensued.

Mr. Dan Jaeger, Fire Marshall, was asked to come and answer a Committee questions.

Ms. Hale asked Mr. Jaeger to give a brief description of how this will affect the response times to emergencies.

Mr. Jaeger stated the Fire Department has made a few changes and they are making daily runs to incorporate any traffic changes that may affect response to an emergency.

B. JRES Implementation

Mr. Bohan gave a brief explanation of the information in the memo.

Ms. Hale informed the Committee of the goals of the Juneau Renewable Energy Strategy. She stated there are some CIPs coming forward for approval to get these goals under way.

C. Centennial Hall Update

Mr. Coffee gave a brief summary of possible changes to be made to Centennial Hall to make it useful for another 20-30 years. The packet included several ideas to help improve problems mentioned from the public. The scope is strictly for Centennial Hall work. There is no inclusion of the new JACC building. A district parking area and a fully constructed 3rd Street will define the site and its uses. There is a small parking area close to the building for ADA/drop off purposes. 4 schemes were developed. The prices range from \$17 million to \$23 million. All schemes will include all new audio/electronic and lighting in addition to changes to the building. Mr. Voelckers is trying to consolidate the best combined concept of all the schemes. It may be possible to use the meeting space of the new JACC as part of the meeting availability space if coordinated correctly. The new scheme is to be ready for the June 25, 2019, Special Meeting for discussion.

D. New JACC Update – Special Meeting June 25, 2019, 5:30 PM

Ms. Hale spoke to the Special meeting regarding the new JACC and Centennial Hall. It will then be presented at the July 1, 2019, Public Works and Facilities Committee regular meeting. Then it will be forwarded for presentation at the Assembly COW on July 8, 2019.

VI. CONTRACTS DIVISION ACTIVITY REPORT

A. May 16, 2019, to June 6, 2019

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A. Next Meeting – July 1, 2019 – Assembly Chambers

Meeting adjourned at 12:53 PM.