

THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA
SPECIAL ASSEMBLY MEETING
DRAFT Meeting Minutes – August 16, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Special Meeting #2021-20, of the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly, held virtually via Zoom webinar, was called to order by Mayor Beth Weldon at 12:31 p.m.

II. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Weldon acknowledge that the City and Borough of Juneau is on Tlingit land, and wished to honor the indigenous people of this land. For more than ten thousand years, Alaska Native people have been and continue to be integral to the well-being of our community. We are grateful to be in this place, a part of this community, and to honor the culture, traditions, and resilience of the Tlingit people. Gunalchéesh!

III. ROLL CALL

Assemblymembers Present: Mayor Beth Weldon, Loren Jones, Maria Gladziszewski, Wade Bryson, Carole Triem, Michelle Hale, Christine Woll, Greg Smith, and Alicia Hughes-Skandijs

Assemblymembers Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Rorie Watt, Deputy City Manager Robert Barr, City Attorney Robert Palmer, Municipal Clerk Beth McEwen, Deputy City Clerk Diane Cathcart, Assistant City Attorneys Sherri Layne, Teresa Bowen, and Adam Gottschalk.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

V. CONSENT AGENDA TOPICS

A. Public Request for Consent Agenda Changes, Other Than Ordinances for Introduction
None.

B. Assembly Requests for Consent Agenda Changes
None.

C. Assembly Action (Introduction of Ordinance 2021-37)

1. Ordinance for Introduction

a. Ordinance 2021-37 An Ordinance Authorizing Property Taxes to be Paid in Two Installments for 2021.

Property taxes are currently required to be paid in full by September 30, 2021. A number of property owners are still recovering from the impacts of COVID-19 and could benefit from being able to pay their 2021 property taxes in two installments. Additionally, the Board of Equalization

has a significant number of commercial property appeals that may not be resolved before September 30, and those taxpayers could benefit from being able to pay their 2021 taxes in two installments. This ordinance would authorize 80% of the property taxes and special assessments to be paid on September 30, 2021, and the remaining 20% would be due on December 31, 2021. Taxpayers that have automatic mortgage payments or prearranged ACH direct debit can still pay the full tax amount on September 30, 2021.

The City Manager recommends the Assembly introduce Ordinance 2021-37, refer it to the Assembly Finance Committee meeting of August 18, and set it for public hearing at the August 23, 2021 Regular Assembly Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ASSEMBLY ACTION:

MOTION by Mr. Jones to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented and asked for unanimous consent. *Hearing no objection, the consent agenda was adopted by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Weldon noted that Ordinance 2021-37 will next be before the Assembly Finance Committee at its meeting on Wednesday, August 18.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Assembly, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Signed: _____

Elizabeth J. McEwen
Municipal Clerk

Signed: _____

Beth A. Weldon
Mayor