



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA NO. 2016-04  
**REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 22, 2016**  
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

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REGULAR MEETING

7:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL
2. INVOCATION
3. FLAG SALUTATION
4. CITIZENS COMMENTS, oral communications to Council on any item not up for Public Hearing. Testimony is limited to five minutes. Any person wishing to speak needs to complete the register located in the hallway. Normal 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, kindly silence all cell phones and electronic devices.
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA  

Approval of Consent Agenda passes all routine items indicated by an asterisk (\*). Consent Agenda items are not considered separately unless a Council Member so requests. In the event of such a request, the item is returned to the General Agenda.
6. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
  - \*a) Regular Meeting Minutes of November 23, 2015

7. SPECIAL ORDERS

- a) The Fairbanks City Council, Sitting as a Committee of the Whole, will hear interested citizens concerned with the following Liquor License Applications for Renewal. Public Testimony will be taken and limited to five minutes.

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Premise Location
104	Red Lantern Steak & Spirits	Beverage Dispensary	Westmark Hotels, Inc.	813 Noble St
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3381	Food Factory	Restaurant/Eating Place	CNR Enterprise, LLC	44 College Rd
3489	Arctic Fox Bar	Beverage Dispensary	Arctic Fox Bar, LLC	398 Old Chena Pump Rd
3616	Wedgwood Resort-Bear Lodge	Beverage Dispensary-Tourism-Duplicate	Fountainhead Development, Inc.	212 Wedgewood Dr
3969	Boom Town Grill and Bar	Beverage Dispensary	JSR, Inc.	537 Gaffney Rd
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5291	The Attic	Beverage Dispensary-Duplicate	The Last Roundup, LLC	2701 S Cushman St (upstairs)
5344	Raven Landing Center	Restaurant/Eating Place	Retirement Community of Fairbanks	1222 Cowles St

- b) The Fairbanks City Council, Sitting as a Committee of the Whole, will hear interested citizens concerned with the following Abatement Issue:

Determination of clean-up costs and method of recovery for the property located at 833 23rd Avenue, (Lot 7, Block 33, Bjerremark Subdivision), Fairbanks, Alaska.

NOTE: The purpose of this hearing is to:

- 1) Hear and pass upon the clean-up report of expenses;
- 2) Hear any objections or protests to the proposed report;
- 3) Make such revision, correction or modification to the report or the charges as the City Council may deem just, and;
- 4) Determine whether to assign a personal obligation of the property owner or to create a lien against the property.

8. MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

- a) Employee Annual Awards

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Ordinance No. 6006 – An Ordinance Ratifying a Labor Agreement Between the City of Fairbanks and the AFL-CIO Crafts Council. Introduced by Council Member Pruhs. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- \*a) Resolution No. 4719 – A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fairbanks to Accept the FFY2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.
- \*b) Resolution No. 4720 – A Resolution Urging the State of Alaska to Honor its Commitment to Cap Past and Present PERS Service Costs for Municipal Employers at 22 Percent. Introduced by Council Member Cleworth.

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS (INFORMATION AND REPORT)

- a) Committee Reports

12. COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

- \*a) Fairbanks Diversity Council Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2016

13. COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS
14. CITY CLERK'S REPORT
15. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT
16. EXECUTIVE SESSION
  - a) Polaris Building – Negotiations on Purchasing the Note
17. ADJOURNMENT



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, NOVEMBER 23, 2015  
FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

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The City Council convened at 7:00 p.m. on the above date, following a 5:30 p.m. Work Session to discuss the 2016 Proposed City Budget, to conduct a Regular Meeting of the Fairbanks City Council at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, with Mayor John Eberhart presiding and with the following Council Members in attendance:

Council Members Present: Joy Huntington, Seat A  
Perry Walley, Seat B  
Bernard Gatewood, Seat C  
Jim Matherly, Seat D  
Jerry Cleworth, Seat E

Absent: David Pruhs, Seat F

Also Present: Clem Clooten, Building Official  
Ernie Misewicz, Assistant Fire Chief  
D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk  
Jim Williams, Chief of Staff  
Stephanie Johnson, Dispatch Center Manager  
Carmen Randle, Controller  
Jim Soileau, Chief Financial Officer  
Ben Barrio, IT Director  
Angela Foster-Snow, HR Director  
Randall Aragon, Police Chief  
Shannon Kumpula, Purchasing Agent/Risk Manager  
JB Brainerd, Deputy City Attorney

### **INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by City Clerk Danyielle Snider.

### **FLAG SALUTATION**

Mayor Eberhart led the Flag Salutation.

### **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Richard Meyer, 488 Cindy Drive, Fairbanks – Mr. Meyer stated that he worked for the City of Fairbanks for 30 years, retiring as Battalion Chief in 2012. He stated that he served on the panel to select the new Fire Chief. Mr. Meyer stated that all of the candidates were of exceptional quality but that when the interview process was over, Jim Styers stood out the most. Mr. Meyer recommended that the Council approve the appointment of Mr. Styers as the new Fire Chief.

Kevin Nelson, 1150 Range View Road, North Pole – Mr. Nelson stated he has worked for the City of Fairbanks as a firefighter and as a paramedic for the past three years. He stated that he also sat on the selection panel for the new Fire Chief and that Mr. Styers comes to the table with a high level of education. Mr. Nelson stated that Styers has medical experience, a long history of promoting diversity, and nearly 30 years of experience in the fire safety field. Mr. Nelson urged the City Council to confirm the nomination of Mr. Styers as the new Fire Chief for the City of Fairbanks.

Frank Turney, 329 6th Avenue, Fairbanks – Mr. Turney asked if Mr. Pruhs was absent or on the conference line.

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that Mr. Pruhs was weathered in in Tanana, Alaska and that he would not be able to attend the meeting.

Mr. Turney spoke to a 1964 Supreme Court decision regarding public debate. He voiced the importance of Americans' right to free speech and shared his disappointment that City Clerk Danyielle Snider shared a "rules of decorum" pamphlet at the previous meeting. Mr. Turney shared his belief that Ms. Snider posted the pamphlet specifically to silence his right to free speech and voiced his suspicion that she may have been put up to posting the pamphlet. He shared specific sections of the pamphlet that he thought were targeted at himself and Mr. Buberger, and he requested that the Mayor and Council take a hard look at the pamphlet that is available outside the Council Chambers. Mr. Turney wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. He stated that he means no disrespect to Ms. Snider and added that she is a good Clerk; he stated that he thinks she was pressured to post the pamphlet.

Victor Buberger, P.O. Box 58192, Fairbanks – Mr. Buberger spoke to the death of an incarcerated man at the Fairbanks Correctional Center (FCC) and stated he would like to know why there was not an outside investigation done before the State Troopers reported no foul play. Mr. Buberger stated it was like having wolves watch the hen house and that the investigation was a joke. He stated that an independent investigation needs to take place at the Fairbanks Police Department (FPD). He stated that the motto "to protect and serve" was taken off the doors of police cars because the department is racist. Mr. Buberger stated that some of the officers should be arrested for crimes they have committed instead of being given raises. He stated his belief that the FPD is a gang of thieves and questioned how long the corruption would continue. Mr. Buberger requested that a plow truck be dispatched to Hamilton Acres to clear off the streets and speed bumps.

Scott McCrea, 2965 Westgate Place, Fairbanks – Mr. McCrea stated that he represents Explore Fairbanks and provided the Council an update on the emerging China travel industry. He stated that almost 700 tourists were expected to arrive in the near future to stay for a four-day, five-night trip. Mr. McCrea stated that the tourists would be staying in local hotels and taking part in local tourist activities, providing a big boost to the local economy. He stated that while he was working in China he met with China Airlines and that they shared their excitement with the new travel opportunity. Mr. McCrea stated that the aurora borealis put Fairbanks in the spotlight in the Chinese market and that advertising the northern lights is a promising industry. He stated that Skylar Travel and First Alaska Outdoor Schools were instrumental in attending the meetings abroad because they were able to translate into Mandarin for him. He stated that 2016 looks like

a promising year in the China travel industry. Mr. McCrea thanked the Council for reinvesting bed tax dollars with Explore Fairbanks and destination marketing.

Julie Jones, 1442 Luke Street, Fairbanks – Ms. Jones spoke in support of the Chena Riverfront Plan and stated that she was present to answer questions relating to it. She stated that she has been assigned by the City to serve as a member of the Chena Riverfront Commission (CRFC) and encouraged the Council to adopt Ordinance No. 5995. Ms. Jones stated that the CRFC has had many public meetings to ask citizens for input on what they would like to see in the Plan.

**Mr. Cleworth** thanked Ms. Jones for coming to speak on behalf of CRFC. He asked Ms. Jones to explain the regulatory policy of the plan. Ms. Jones stated that the language to modify the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) zoning code would allow more options to the riverfront influence area and would offer greater flexibility to riverfront properties in exchange for certain public amenities. She stated the specific section Mr. Cleworth is referring to was previously adopted and that there is no proposed change at the present time. Ms. Jones stated that Planning Director Christine Nelson was present to answer more questions if need be. **Mr. Cleworth** requested for Ms. Nelson to come forward to speak to his riverfront zoning questions.

Christine Nelson, 1526 Farmers Loop Road, Fairbanks – Ms. Nelson stated that drafting of the plan has been in progress for over a year and that this is the second-to-last stage of its adoption. Ms. Nelson stated that if the Council adopts the ordinance, the Plan will go before the Borough Assembly for final approval. Ms. Nelson stated that the Plan is not regulatory in nature; she stated that many zoning regulations refer to consistency with the Comprehensive Plan. She stated that any re-zone within 200-foot of the riverfront would be referred to the Chena Riverfront Plan.

**Mr. Cleworth** asked if the FNSB zoning code had already been modified to include the optional “Riverfront Influence Area” referred to under the regulatory section of the Plan. Ms. Nelson replied that she believed the FNSB code had already been changed. She stated that the CRFC does not have the power to make changes but they can refer comments to the Planning Commission and then to the Borough Assembly. **Mr. Cleworth** asked if a river setback had been included in the zoning code. Ms. Nelson stated that to her knowledge there have been no river-related setbacks put into the zoning code. **Mr. Cleworth** stated that he would like to know what the Borough zoning code language is in regard to the Riverfront Influence Area before the second reading of the ordinance.

Ms. Jones stated that any significant changes within 200 feet of the riverfront have to come before the CRFC for review. Ms. Nelson stated that the Plan would make it easy for a riverfront property owner to obtain a checklist of what a home owner or land owner would need to do in order to modify their riverfront property according to regulations.

**Ms. Huntington** stated that she is comfortable with the community process that is followed in regard to the Plan. **Ms. Huntington** asked Ms. Jones and Ms. Nelson for a brief summary of the rationale behind extending the periodic review of the Plan from five years to ten years. Ms. Nelson stated it was a matter of resources and the amount of time the process of review takes. She stated that most communities are moving to ten-year review periods because of dwindling resources. Ms. Nelson stated that the goals and policies are so broad that they do not always get

completed within a five-year period. Ms. Jones stated the CRFC inserted language that would allow the Plan to be reviewed more frequently than every 10 years if necessary.

Hearing no more requests for public comment, **Mayor Eberhart** declared Public Testimony closed.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA**

**Mr. Matherly**, seconded by **Ms. Huntington**, moved to APPROVE the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Snider pointed out that the title of Resolution No. 4698 on the Agenda did not reflect the proper title of the actual resolution. She requested that the title on the Agenda be corrected to accurately reflect the correct title of Resolution No. 4698.

**Mayor Eberhart** called for objection and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

City Clerk Snider read the Consent Agenda into the record.

### **MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT**

**Mayor Eberhart** introduced newly-appointed Fire Chief Jim Styers and requested that he come forward to introduce himself.

Fire Chief Styers shared that he is married with two children in college. Chief Styers gave a history of his 33 years of service in the fire and emergency services fields; he shared his educational background and his credentials. Chief Styers stated that he is excited to work for the City and with the City Council. **Mayor Eberhart** asked everyone to join in welcoming Chief Styers.

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that November is Native American Heritage Month and that it is a time to acknowledge the important contributions of the Native people. **Mayor Eberhart** read aloud a Proclamation from the Office of the Mayor to recognize small businesses and stated that November 28, 2015 will be called "Small Business Saturday." **Mayor Eberhart** stated that Chief of Staff Jim Williams will be leaving the City of Fairbanks to work as the new Chief of Staff at FNSB. **Mayor Eberhart** stated that he looks forward to continued work with Mr. Williams on joint military and community projects. **Mayor Eberhart** wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Resolution No. 4698 – A Resolution to Extend the City's Contract with Alaska Permanent Capital Management as the Permanent Fund Investment Manager. Introduced by Council Member Gatewood.

PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.



- b) Ordinance No. 5994 – An Ordinance to Amend Fairbanks General Code Chapter 14, Article XIII Business Licensing. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- c) Ordinance No. 5995 – An Ordinance Adopting the Goals, Policies and Objectives of the Chena Riverfront Plan. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- d) Ordinance No. 5996 – An Ordinance to Amend FGC Section 2-654 to Restrict the Transfer of Wages/Benefits to Non-Wage Accounts. Introduced by Council Members Cleworth and Matherly.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

FMATS Policy Committee – **Mr. Walley** reported that a brief meeting was held since the last Council meeting. He stated that FMATS sent their annual request to Governor Walker asking for \$16 million in general funds. He stated that the letter acknowledged the State's fiscal challenges in moving forward. **Mr. Walley** stated that FMATS still does not have a State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) and that they had hoped to have it approved the previous week. He stated that FMATS approved a \$1.7 million dollar increase to the Noble Street project bringing the project total to \$10.7 million. He stated that \$800,000.00 was moved from the Old Steese/Wendell project to the Steese and 3rd project and thanked MPO Coordinator Donna Gardino for her hard work in making that happen. **Mr. Walley** stated that several projects were postponed to insure other projects get started. He stated that the State asked why FMATS requested such an increase in funds for the Noble Street project, and FMATS replied that all the water and sewer lines had to be replaced. He stated that FMATS held Chair and Vice Chair elections and that the chair was retained; he stated that Mayor Kassel was elected as Vice Chair.

**Mr. Cleworth** asked why Golden Heart Utilities was not paying for the utility upgrades on Noble Street. He expressed confusion as to why FMATS would have to increase their budget for something that a private entity should have to pay for.

**Mr. Walley** stated that he had failed to ask that question and that he would follow-up and get an answer for Mr. Cleworth.

Hotel/Motel Discretionary Fund Committee – **Mr. Matherly** stated the Committee had their first meeting to discuss ground rules for the upcoming round of presentations. He stated that 21 applicants have submitted applications for 2016 distribution.

## COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

- a) Clay Street Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2015

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- b) Fairbanks Diversity Council Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2015

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- c) Re-appointment to the Public Safety Commission

APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- d) Appointment of the City Fire Chief

APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

## COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

**Mr. Cleworth** asked City Clerk Snider if the Bill of Rights reading was going to be on the agenda for the second meeting in December; City Clerk Snider confirmed that it would be. **Mr. Cleworth** requested that City Clerk Snider place a copy of the pamphlet Mr. Turney spoke to during public testimony in each Council Member's mailbox. **Mr. Cleworth** stated he would miss Chief of Staff Jim Williams and stated he has done a wonderful job at the City. He encouraged the administration to promote within the City and he stated he hoped Deputy Chief Ernie Misewicz would continue employment with the City of Fairbanks. **Mr. Cleworth** welcomed Chief Styers to the City and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**Mr. Matherly** shared an email from Mr. Marlow regarding the Polaris Building and the possibility of using tax credits to refurbish the structure. He echoed Mr. Cleworth's sentiments regarding Mr. Williams' departure from the City. **Mr. Matherly** shared his concerns and sadness for all the employees that have left the City over the past few years. He welcomed Chief Styers and congratulated him on being selected. **Mr. Matherly** wished everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving and encouraged volunteer work within the community.

**Mr. Gatewood** stated he had no comments.

**Mr. Walley** echoed fellow Council Members' comments on Mr. Williams' departure.

**Mr. Walley** requested to be excused from the Regular City Council Meeting of December 7, 2015.

**Mayor Eberhart** called for objection to Mr. Walley's request to be excused on December 7, 2015 and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

**Mr. Walley** congratulated Chief Styers and welcomed him to the City of Fairbanks. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**Ms. Huntington** shared her appreciation for being sent to the Newly Elected Officials training at the Alaska Municipal League Annual Conference in Anchorage; she stated she had two full days of learning. She agreed with fellow Council Members and that she is sad to see Mr. Williams leave the City. **Ms. Huntington** welcomed Chief Styers to the City of Fairbanks and stated that she looks forward to working with him. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Mr. Matherly** moved to ADJOURN the meeting.

**Mayor Eberhart** called for objection and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

**Mayor Eberhart** declared the Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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JOHN EBERHART, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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D. DANYIELLE SNIDER, CMC, CITY CLERK

Transcribed by: EB



# City of Fairbanks

Office of the City Clerk

800 Cushman Street


Fairbanks, AK 99701

(907)459-6715

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor John Eberhart and City Council Members

FROM: D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk 

SUBJECT: Liquor License Renewals

DATE: February 17, 2016

Notice has been received from the State of Alaska Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office (AMCO) for the following liquor license renewals:

Lic. #	DBA	License Type	Licensee	Premises Address
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Renewal of Liquor Licenses (25)  
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Pursuant to FGC Sec. 14-178 the Council must determine whether or not to protest liquor license renewals after holding a public hearing.

Please note that there are **no departmental protests**. Please contact me if you need any further information.


Thank you.

# MEMORANDUM

City Clerk's Office

D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk

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TO: Mayor John Eberhart and City Council Members  
FROM: D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk   
SUBJECT: Hearing of Demolition/Clean-up Costs  
DATE: February 17, 2016

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Attached is a copy of a notice from Building Official Clem Clooten regarding the costs associated with the clean-up and removal of the substandard structure located at 833 23rd Avenue (Lot7, Block 33, Bjerremark Subdivision), Fairbanks, Alaska, owned by Ms. Lisa L. Thomas. The project was completed in the fall of 2015.

Notice of the hearing has been published in the Fairbanks Daily News Miner and sent by certified mail to the owner of the property. As of this date, no objections or protests have been filed with the City Clerk's Office.

In accordance with the 2011 City of Fairbanks Abatement Code, the City Council is required to hold a public hearing for the purpose of:

- 1) Hearing and passing upon the demolition expense report;
- 2) Hearing any objections or protests to the proposed report;
- 3) Making such revision, correction or modification to the report or the charges as the City Council may deem just, and;
- 4) Determining whether to assign a personal obligation of the property owner or to create a lien against the property.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 459-6774.

Thank you.



CITY OF

FAIRBANKS

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February 3, 2016

Ms. Lisa L. Thomas  
Estate of Clarence Thomas  
P. O. Box 73089  
Fairbanks, Alaska 99707-3089

Certified Letter # 7011 0470 0002 0766 6764

Re: 833 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Lot 7, Block 33, Bjerremark Subdivision  
**Notice of Public Hearing**  
**Determination of Demolition Costs**

Dear Ms. Thomas,

In accordance with the 2011 City of Fairbanks Code for Abatement of Dangerous Buildings as adopted by the City of Fairbanks a public hearing will be held on February 22, 2016 at 7:00 PM at City Hall in the City Council Chambers located at 800 Cushman Street. The purpose of the hearing is to hear the final report on the costs to remove the remains of the demolished building and clean-up the above property, together with any objections or protests with may be filed by any person interested in or affected by the proposed demolition charges.

Enclosed with this letter is a summary of all cost associated with the removal of the demolished building and clean-up the property. The total removal and clean-up costs is \$7,369.80. I have enclosed a copy of Chapter 9 of the 2011 Abatement of Dangerous Building Code for your review.

If you have any questions please give us a call at 459-6727.

Sincerely,

Clemens M. Clooten  
Building Official

Cc: Mayor Eberhart  
Paul Ewers, City Attorney  
Jeff Jacobson, Chief of Staff  
Danyielle Snider, City Clerk  
Pat Smith, Development Manager  
Van Z. Lawrence, 751 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite B, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701  
Staff  
File

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**2011 CITY OF FAIRBANKS  
CODE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS  
CHAPTERS 8 & 9**

**CHAPTER 8  
PERFORMANCE OF WORK OF REPAIR OR DEMOLITION**

**SECTION 801 – GENERAL**

**801.1 Procedure.** When any work of repair or demolition is to be done pursuant to Section 701.3, Item 3, of this code, the building official shall issue an order to the director of public works, and the work will be accomplished by city personnel or by private contract under the direction of the director. Plans and specifications may be prepared by the director, or the director may employ such architectural and engineering assistance on a contract basis as deemed reasonably necessary. If any part of the work is to be accomplished by private contract, standard public works contractual procedures will be followed.

**801.2 Costs.** The cost of such work will be paid from the general fund and may be made from a special assessment against the property involved and/or a personal obligation of the property owner, as the city council shall determine appropriate.

**CHAPTER 9  
RECOVERY OF COST OF REPAIR OR DEMOLITION**

**SECTION 901 - ACCOUNT OF EXPENSE, FILING OF REPORT**

The director of public works shall keep an itemized account of the expense incurred in the repair or demolition of any building done pursuant to the provisions of Section 701.3, Item 3, of this code. Upon the completion of the work of repair or demolition, the director shall prepare and file with the city clerk a report specifying the work done, the itemized and total cost of the work, a description of the real property upon which the building or structure is or was located, and the names and addresses of the persons entitled to notice pursuant to Section 401.3.

**SECTION 902 - NOTICE OF HEARING**

Upon receipt of the report, the city clerk shall present it to the city council for consideration. The council shall fix a time, date and place for hearing the report and any protests or objections thereto. The clerk shall publish notice of the hearing once in a newspaper of general circulation in this jurisdiction and shall mail a copy of the notice by certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the owner of the property as the owner's name and address appears on the borough's property tax records, if it appears, or as known to the clerk. In addition, the building official shall cause notice of the hearing to be posted upon the property involved. Such notice will be given at least 10 days prior to the date set for the hearing and will specify the day, hour and place when the council will hear and pass upon the director's report, together with any objections or protests which may be filed as hereinafter provided by any person interested in or affected by the proposed charge.

**SECTION 903 - PROTESTS AND OBJECTIONS**



**2011 CITY OF FAIRBANKS  
CODE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS  
CHAPTERS 8 & 9**

Any person interested in or affected by the proposed charge may file written protests or objections with the clerk at any time prior to the time set for the hearing on the report of the director. Each such protest or objection must contain a description of the property in which the signer thereof is interested and the grounds of the protest or objection. The clerk shall endorse on every such protest or objection the date of receipt. The clerk shall present such protests or objections to the council at the time set for the hearing, and no other protests or objections will be considered.

**SECTION 904 - HEARING OF PROTESTS**

Upon the day and hour fixed for the hearing, the council shall hear and pass upon the report of the director, together with any objections or protests. The council may make such revision, correction or modification in the report or the charge as it may deem just; and when the council is satisfied with the correctness of the charge, the report (as submitted or as revised, corrected or modified) together with the charge, will be confirmed or rejected. The decision of the council on the report and the charge, and on all protests or objections, will be final and conclusive.

**SECTION 905 - PERSONAL OBLIGATION AND PROPERTY LIEN**

**905.1 General.** The council may order that the charge be made a personal obligation of the property owner and/or a lien against the property.

**905.2 Personal Obligation.** If the council orders that the charge be a personal obligation of the property owner, it shall direct the city attorney to collect the charge on behalf of the city by use of all appropriate legal remedies.

**905.3 Property Lien.** If the council orders that the charge be made a lien against the property, it shall direct that the lien be recorded. The lien will be paramount to all other liens except for state and borough property taxes with which it will be upon a parity. The lien will continue until paid in full.

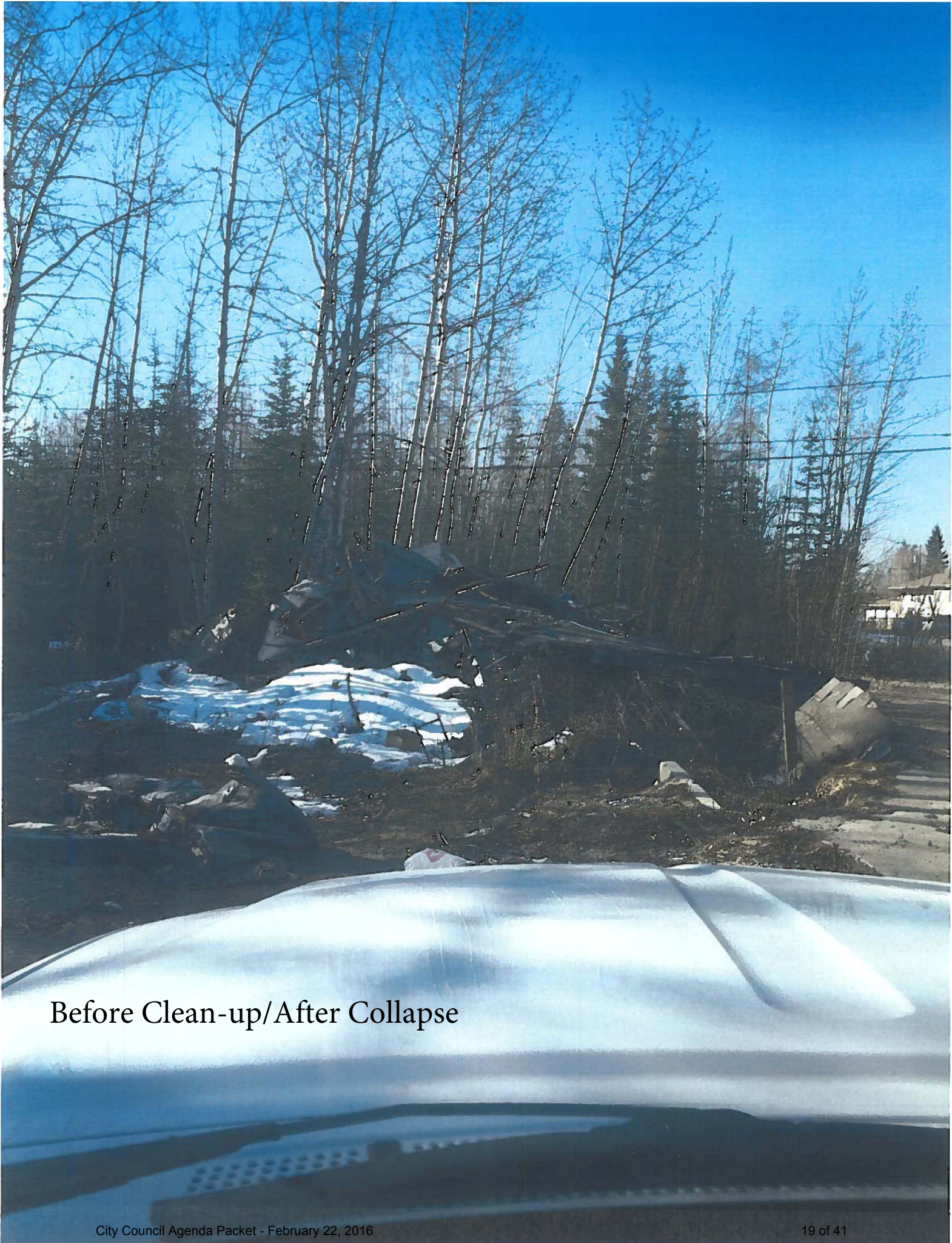
**905.4 Interest.** All charges imposed by the council remaining unpaid after 30 days from the date of recording will become delinquent and will bear interest at the legal rate from and after that date.

**SECTION 906 – CONTEST**

Any action to contest the council's action under Sections 904 or 905 must be commenced within 30 days.



Before Clean-up



Before Clean-up/After Collapse



After Clean-up

# Property Summary

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pan	property physical description	
0051888	TL-7 BLOCK 33 BJERREMARK	
neighborhood	business	property class
0130 Bjerremark		Residential
millage group	most recent millage rate	Status
0015 BJERREMARK	17.2770	TAXABLE

Additional Information

[Building Details](#)  
[View Property Location](#)

Fire Service Area  
 CITY OF  
 FAIRBANKS

Land Area  
 Parcel

1 7000 Square Feet

**OWNER**

**ADDRESS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>situs address</b>
THOMAS, CLARENCE ALLEN ESTATE OF	OWNERSHIP	833 TWENTY-THIRD AVE

**Documents**

The FNSB provides a link to view the recorded document at the State of Alaska Recorders Office through the instrument #. The FNSB has no control over the contents posted on any external web sites and these sites may have separate terms of use and privacy policies. The inclusion of this web link does not imply endorsement by the FNSB of the site, its content, advertisers or sponsors.

description	record date	Book	Page	Instrument #
Quit Claim Deed	8/28/2012			<a href="#">2012-016654-0</a>
Tax Deed	6/4/2012			<a href="#">2012-010052-0</a>
ANNUAL DELINQUENT TAX REPORT	3/31/2011			
Quit Claim Deed	9/1/2009			<a href="#">2009-016794-0</a>
Ordinance	6/11/2009			
Tax Deed	6/1/2009			<a href="#">2009-009229-0</a>
Quit Claim Deed	2/21/1997	<a href="#">991</a>	<a href="#">548</a>	

**Assessment History**

For questions regarding assessments, contact the FNSB Department of Assessing at 907-459-1428.

Year	Land	Structures etc.	Full Value Total	Exemptions Total	Taxable
2015	\$11,305	\$59,523	\$70,828	\$0	\$70,828
2014	\$11,305	\$59,523	\$70,828	\$0	\$70,828
2013	\$11,305	\$62,353	\$73,658	\$0	\$73,658
2012	\$11,305	\$77,370	\$88,675	\$0	\$88,675
2011	\$11,305	\$77,370	\$88,675	\$0	\$88,675

[Pay Property Taxes by credit card](#)

**Tax History** (Updated: 02/05/16 04:31 AM AST)

If taxes are delinquent the interest calculation date is: 3/4/2016. All prior year delinquent payments must be made with guaranteed funds.

For payments made after the due dates, please call the FNSB Division of Treasury and Budget at 907-459-1441 for the correct amount.

<b>year</b>	<b>tax levied</b>	<b>state exempted</b>	<b>fees</b>	<b>total due</b>	<b>total paid</b>	<b>net due</b>
2015	\$1,223.70	\$0.00	\$102.49	\$1,326.19	\$0.00	\$1,326.19
2014	\$1,197.34	\$0.00	\$273.80	\$1,471.14	\$0.00	\$1,471.14
2013	\$1,247.16	\$0.00	\$1,093.22	\$2,340.38	\$0.00	\$2,340.38
2012	\$1,503.02	\$0.00	\$1,114.95	\$2,617.97	\$2,617.97	\$0.00
2011	\$1,519.62	\$0.00	\$350.37	\$1,869.99	\$1,869.99	\$0.00

PLEASE REMIT TO:

**CEI** CENTRAL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.

**INVOICE # 11395**

Environmental Services  
311 N. Sitka Street • Anchorage, AK 99501  
(907) 561-0125 • Fax (907) 561-0178

**SOLD TO:**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION / LOCATION:**

City of Fairbanks  
800 Cushman Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
Attn: Accounts Payable / Pat Smith

Debris Clean-up at 23rd Avenue  
833 23rd Avenue

INVOICE DATE	INVOICE NO.	PROJECT NO.	CONTRACT NO.	PROGRESS BILLING NO.
8/13/2015	11395	13744		01

# CONTRACT INVOICE

ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT ..... \$ 4,850.00

CHANGES OR AMENDMENTS ..... Additional Work ..... \$ 2,519.80

ADJUSTED CONTRACT AMOUNT ..... \$ 7,369.80

CONTRACT COMPLETE TO DATE \_\_\_\_\_ % ..... \$ 7,369.80

LESS PREVIOUS BILLING ..... \$ -0-

TOTAL DUE THIS INVOICE ..... \$ 7,369.80

**TERMS: NET CASH DUE AND PAYABLE 10<sup>TH</sup> OF THE FOLLOWING MONTH  
NET 30 DAYS, FINANCIAL CHARGE OF 1.5% PER MONTH  
WILL BE CHARGED ON ALL PAST DUE ACCOUNTS.**

## THANK YOU

1- ORIGINAL  
Customer

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CEI

July 13, 2015

To Patrick Smith

RE: City of Fairbanks RFQ 15-01 Hazmat Testing & Debris Removal  
Subject: Cost Proposal

Scope of Work: Hazmat Clean-up at 833 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Smith,

Central Environmental, Inc. (CEI) is pleased to provide the following price quote for the above referenced scope of work:

Inclusions:

1. Mobilization
2. Air Monitoring.
3. Agency Notifications.
4. Demobilization.
5. Insurance
6. Removal of above surface debris
7. Disposal of all material at an approved landfill.

Cost Proposal \$ 4,850.00

Exclusions:

1. Notifications required under 29 CFR 1926.1101 (k), Communication of Hazards
2. Any concrete removal or subsurface excavation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this price quote. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (907) 561-0125.

Sincerely,

  
Raymond Desrochers

ACCEPTANCE and NOTICE TO PROCEED

CITY OF FAIRBANKS



13-JULY-2015

Date

Central Environmental, Inc.

Anchorage:  
311 N. Sitka Street  
Anchorage, AK 99501

Fairbanks:  
P.O. Box 70212  
Fairbanks, AK 99707

Phone: (907) 561-0125  
Fax: (907) 561-0178  
E-mail: [cei@cei-alaska.com](mailto:cei@cei-alaska.com)  
Web: [www.cei-alaska.com](http://www.cei-alaska.com)





ORIGINAL

# Purchase Order

Fiscal Year 2015

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BUILDING DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF FAIRBANKS  
800 CUSHMAN STREET  
FAIRBANKS AK 99701

Fiscal Code C  
Revisions 001  
Fiscal Period 07  
Expiration Date 12/31/2016

THIS NUMBER MUST APPEAR ON ALL INVOICES,  
PACKAGES AND SHIPPING PAPERS.  
Purchase Order # **20153013-001**

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311 N SITKA ST  
ANCHORAGE AK 99501

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BUILDING DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF FAIRBANKS  
800 CUSHMAN STREET  
FAIRBANKS AK 99701

Vendor Phone Number	Vendor Fax Number	Requisition Number 60150013	Delivery Reference
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Date Ordered 09/12/2015	Vendor Number 1342	Date Required	Freight Method/Terms	Department/Location 60 - BUILDING
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Item#	Description/Part No.	Qty	UOM	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	PO Requisitioner Name: Kim Hill ABATEMENT - MATERIAL CLEAN UP AT 833 23RD AVENUE 0000-01-15-00-00000-7213	1.0	Each	\$7,369.80000	\$7,369.80
					<b>\$7,369.80</b>

<b>For Accounting Use ONLY!</b>		Sales Tax	
Invoice Date <u>9/15/15</u>	Invoice Amount \$ <u>7369.80</u>	Discount	
Date invoice will be paid <u>9/15/15</u>	<u>CP</u>	Freight	
		Order Total	<b>\$7,369.80</b>



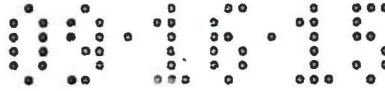
**City of Fairbanks**  
 800 CUSHMAN STREET  
 FAIRBANKS, AK 99701



Vendor  
 Number  
 1342

Check  
 Date  
 09/16/2015

Check  
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**\$7,369.80**

Pay Three Hundred Sixty Nine dollars & 80/100

00031122

To The  
 Order Of

CENTRAL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC  
 311 N SITKA ST  
 ANCHORAGE, AK 99501-0000

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**NON-NEGOTIABLE**

City of Fairbanks, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, AK 99701

Check Number: **00031122**

Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Purchase Order Number	Invoice Description	Net Invoice Amount	
08/13/2015	11395	20153013	ABATEMENT - MATERIAL CLEAN UP	7,369.80	
<b>Vendor No.</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>		<b>Check No.</b>	<b>Check Date</b>	<b>Check Amount</b>
1342	CENTRAL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC		00031122	09/16/2015	7,369.80



**CITY OF FAIRBANKS**  
Notice of Public Hearing

The Fairbanks City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 22, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, to determine the demolition costs incurred by the City of Fairbanks for the following property:

833 23rd Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska  
Lot 7, Block 33, Bjerremark Subdivision

Protests or objections to the costs may be submitted for consideration by the City Council to the City Clerk. If you have any questions please call the Office of the City Clerk at 459-6774.

D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk

**ORDINANCE NO. 6006**

**AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS AND THE AFL-CIO CRAFTS COUNCIL**

**WHEREAS**, the three-year collective bargaining agreement between the City of Fairbanks and the AFL-CIO Crafts Council, effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016, includes “reopener” provisions for wages and benefits for years two and three (2015 and 2016); and

**WHEREAS**, the AFL-CIO and City’s negotiating team have reached a tentative agreement on 2016 wages and benefits, plus other administrative changes to the CBA.

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

**SECTION 1.** That the attached Letter of Agreement, detailing wage and benefit terms for 2016 and other administrative changes to the original 2014 – 2016 collective bargaining agreement between the City and the AFL-CIO Crafts Council, is hereby ratified.

**SECTION 2.** That this ordinance becomes effective upon ratification of the Letter of Agreement by both parties.

**SECTION 3.** That once ratified, the terms of the Letter of Agreement are effective as of January 1, 2016.

**SECTION 4.** That the City’s 2016 operating budget will be amended to include the increased expenditures as reflected in the attached fiscal note.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**John Eberhart, City Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk

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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

**CITY OF FAIRBANKS**

**FISCAL NOTE**

**I. REQUEST:**

Ordinance or Resolution No: \_\_\_\_\_

Abbreviated Title: AFLCIO 1.1% Increase

Department(s): Public Works and Engineering (1 individual)

Does the adoption of this ordinance or resolution authorize:

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

2) additional support or maintenance costs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No   X  

If yes, what is the estimate? \_\_\_\_\_

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:**

<b>PROJECTS:</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Total</b>
Public Works AFLCIO member increase	\$45,630	\$45,630	\$45,630	\$136,890
Engineering AFLCIO member increase (1employee)	\$493	\$493	\$493	\$1,479
				\$0
				\$0
				\$0
				\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$46,123</b>	<b>\$46,123</b>	<b>\$46,123</b>	<b>\$138,369</b>

<b>FUNDING SOURCE:</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Total</b>
General Fund	\$46,123	\$46,123	\$46,123	\$138,369
	\$493	\$493	\$493	\$1,479
				\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$46,616</b>	<b>\$46,616</b>	<b>\$46,616</b>	<b>\$139,848</b>

The 1.1% increase carries forward in perpetuity. The Engineer cost is net of grant recoveries.

Reviewed by Finance Department: Initial   CR   Date   1/25/2016

## Letter of Agreement

City of Fairbanks (COF)

and

Fairbanks AFL-CIO Crafts Council (the Union)

The three-year collective bargaining agreement (CBA) between the City of Fairbanks and the AFL-CIO Crafts Council, effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016, included “reopener” provisions for wages and benefits for years two and three (2015 and 2016).

The City’s negotiating team and AFL-CIO have reached a tentative agreement on 2016 wages and benefits, plus other administrative changes to the current CBA.

### **THE CITY AND AFL-CIO HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Article 1. DURATION, MODIFICATIONS AND CHANGES**, Section 1.1 is amended as follows:

- 1.1 This agreement shall become effective on January 1, 2014, and shall remain in effect until December 31, ~~2017~~2016. Any retroactivity contained herein shall affect only those employees covered by this Agreement and actually employed by the Employer on the effective date of this Agreement.

**Article 6. WORKING RULES**, Section 6.3(d) is amended as follows:

- (d) Employees who work overtime may elect, in lieu of being paid overtime, to accrue compensatory time at the rate of 1.5 hours for every hour of overtime. Compensatory time may be taken and used in the same manner and terms as Personal Leave (when mutually agreeable by the employee and Department Head). **Employees may carry 80 hours of comp time into the next calendar year.** ~~If Any comp time over 80 hours that is not fully scheduled or used by December 31st of each year, compensatory time balances will be paid by the City to the employee.~~

**Article 23. SCHEDULE “A” WAGES**, Sections 23.1 and 23.3 are amended as follows:

**Section 23.1** – The following language shall be added to Section 23.1:

**Effective January 1, 2016, employees will receive a 1.1% increase to the 2015 package rate.**

**Section 23.3** is amended as follows:

**23.3** This Agreement is effective until December 31, ~~2017~~2016 PROVIDED THAT the parties agree to reopen negotiations on the economic issues only for 2015 and 2016. Such negotiations will commence in October of 2014 for 2015 and 2015 for 2016. **The parties agree to a full contract opener for 2017 to commence in October of 2016.** The parties agree to utilize mediation and arbitration if the reopened negotiations result in impasse.

**This letter of agreement was ratified by Union membership on February 2, 2016, and approved by the City Council by approval of Ordinance No. 6006 on \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.**

SIGNED FOR THE FAIRBANKS  
AFL-CIO CRAFTS COUNCIL:

SIGNED BY THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS

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Lake Williams  
President, AFL-CIO Crafts Council  
Business Representative, IUOE 302

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Paul J. Ewers  
City Attorney

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Kevin Pomeroy  
Business Manager, Laborers 942

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JB Brainerd  
Deputy City Attorney

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Laird Grantham  
Business Manager, Carpenters 1243

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Kyle Perry  
Business Representative, Pipefitters 375

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Eileen Whitmer  
Business Manager, Teamsters 959

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Doug Tansy  
Business Representative, IBEW 1547

**RESOLUTION NO. 4719**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS TO ACCEPT  
THE FFY2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks has been notified by the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development that the City was awarded \$850,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks was awarded funds to complete phase one of the Bjerremark Subdivision revitalization project to construct traffic-calming, beautification, pedestrian and defensible space measures; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks is providing a match in the amount of \$300,000 for planning and designing costs funded through the Designated Legislative Grant Program funds;

**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 22nd day of February 2016.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**John Eberhart, Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT  
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk

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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney



**CITY OF FAIRBANKS**  
**FISCAL NOTE**

**I. REQUEST:**

Ordinance or Resolution No: 4719

Abbreviated Title: FFY2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ACCEPTANCE

Department(s): ENGINEERING 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 \_\_\_\_\_ No x

If yes, how many positions? \_\_\_\_\_

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

**II. FINANCIAL DETAIL:**

<b>PROJECTS:</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Personnel</b>	<b>Total</b>
Bjerremark Subdivision Construction		\$850,000		\$850,000
Bjerremark Subdivision Planning & Design		\$300,000		\$300,000
				\$0
				\$0
				\$0
				\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,150,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,150,000</b>

<b>FUNDING SOURCE:</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Personnel</b>	<b>Total</b>
Community Development Block Grant (Federal Funds)		\$850,000		\$850,000
Designated Legislative Grant (State Funds)		\$300,000		\$300,000
				\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,150,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,150,000</b>

The City of Fairbanks plans to construct traffic-calming, beautification, pedestrian and defensible space measures to revitalize the Bjerremark Subdivision area. The Bjerremark Subdivision is a mixed residential and commercial area in south Fairbanks. Public Works is responsible for maintaining these roads and will continue to incorporate the cost of maintenance in the annual general fund budget.

Reviewed by Finance Department: Initial mb Date 2/8/2016

**RESOLUTION NO. 4720**

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF ALASKA TO HONOR ITS  
COMMITMENT TO CAP PAST AND PRESENT PERS SERVICE COSTS FOR  
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYERS AT 22 PERCENT**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Alaska created the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) in 1961 to provide a retirement system for state and participating municipal employees; and

**WHEREAS**, since its creation, PERS has evolved from being fully funded to being underfunded by billions of dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Legislature passed SB 125 in 2008 to address the unfunded liability, which modified AS 39.35.255 to establish an employer rate of 22% for PERS non-state employers; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks supported SB 125 and expressed that support through Resolution No. 4274; and

**WHEREAS**, since that time, non-state employers have been paying the established rate on both defined benefit and defined contribution salaries; and

**WHEREAS**, an increase to this rate will have significant impacts of municipalities and other non-state PERS employers; and

**WHEREAS**, maintaining the currently established PERS contribution rate is the City's top legislative priority, because an increase in the employer rate would create a financial burden on all local governments throughout the state and will result in a reduction of public services and foregoing of local infrastructure improvements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council urges the Alaska State Legislature to continue to honor its commitment to cap past and present service costs for municipal PERS employers at the current rate of 22 percent.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** this 22nd Day of February 2016.

\_\_\_\_\_  
John Eberhart, Mayor

AYES:  
NAYS:  
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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk

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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney



FAIRBANKS DIVERSITY COUNCIL  
 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
 JANUARY 12, 2016 – 5:30 PM  
 FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
 800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA



The Fairbanks Diversity Council (FDC) convened at 5:30 p.m. on the above date to conduct a Regular Meeting at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, with Mayor John Eberhart presiding and with the following members in attendance:

Members Present:      Ana Maria Richards, Seat A                      Kathleen Wattum, Seat I  
                                  Shirley Lee, Seat B    Douglas Toelle, Seat J  
                                  Montean Jackson, Seat C                                Jo Ann Borges, Seat K  
                                  June Rogers, Seat D                                        Rita Davis, Seat L  
                                  Trina Bailey, Seat F                                        Jeff Walters, Seat M  
                                  Doris Lenahan, Seat G                                    Amanda Frank, Seat N  
                                  Rosalind Kan, Seat H                                        Angela Foster-Snow, HR Director

Members Absent:      Travis Cole, Seat E    Vacancy, Seat O  
                                  Bernard Gatewood, Council Member

Also present:            D. Danyielle Snider, City Clerk                      Jeff Jacobson, Chief of Staff

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Chair Eberhart** called the meeting to order and read aloud the mission statement of the FDC.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Mr. Toelle**, seconded by **Ms. Rogers**, moved to APPROVE the agenda.

**Ms. Bailey**, seconded by **Ms. Foster-Snow**, moved to AMEND the agenda by combining the first Citizens Comments with the second Citizens Comments later in the meeting. She stated that it may be more beneficial to hold comments all at once after the guest speakers in case there are questions from members of the public.

**Mr. Walters** stated that there may be some in the audience who want to speak about something not on the agenda and may need to leave before the second round of Citizens Comments. **Chair Eberhart** asked audience members if there is anyone who would like to speak before the second Citizens Comments. Several members of the public indicated that they would.

**Chair Eberhart** called for objection to allowing public members the opportunity to speak during the first Citizens Comments and to the approval of the agenda. No members objected.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS** (Limited to 3 Minutes)

**Geri Simon, 825 Ridgpointe Drive, Fairbanks** – Ms. Simon thanked the FDC for talking about Fairbanks Four/Hartman case and for wanting to build a stronger, inclusive community. She stated that she hopes the diversity efforts will involve City and law enforcement departments.

She stated that while she applauds the work of public service employees, she does not see a lot of color. Ms. Simon stated that the Fairbanks Four case has created some rivers within the Fairbanks community and commented that bridges need to be built. She stated that with all the action around the nation regarding law enforcement and people of color, it is a good time to move ahead, think outside of the box, and take some action.

**Chair Eberhart** stated that at one time, there was discussion with Doyon about possibly helping pay for positions at the Fairbanks Police Department (FPD) if qualified Alaska natives were hired. He asked Ms. Simon if she could assist with arranging a meeting with Doyon and the City to generate interest from qualified applicants.

Ms. Simon stated that Doyon Foundation continues to sponsor students through the Law Enforcement Academy. She stated that such a meeting would likely be with her as she oversees HR for Doyon.

Stephanie Woodard, 3411 Spruce Branch Drive, Fairbanks – She stated that there needs to be an understanding that before the community can heal from the Fairbanks Four case, people must acknowledge the injustices that were suffered by the Four and by John Hartman’s family. She stated that there will be no healing on either side until people recognize that the Fairbanks Four are not guilty. She stated that the men stood behind bars for 18 years and refused to take deals because they wanted their innocence. Ms. Woodard stated that the evidence presented at the hearings was plentiful. She stated that she is concerned that people may not believe the Four have been exonerated. She stated that she is glad that the FDC is here to help bring the community together because closure is important. Ms. Woodard spoke to the City’s unsolved homicides and stated that the connections that some of them have to the Hartman murder need to be looked at. She stated that there will never be true healing without recognition of what actually took place.

Hearing no more requests for public comment, **Chair Eberhart** declared Citizen’s Comments closed.

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a) Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015

**Mr. Walters**, seconded by **Ms. Davis**, moved to APPROVE the Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015.

**Chair Eberhart** called for objection and, hearing none, declared the MOTION CARRIED.

### SPECIAL TOPIC

- a) Hartman/Fairbanks Four

**Chair Eberhart** stated that it is important to keep in mind that the objective is to heal and move forward. He thanked everyone involved in bringing this case to a resolution: the State

Department of Law, the Fairbanks Police Department, Chief Randall Aragon, the petitioners and their attorneys, Tanana Chiefs Conference, the Alaska Native Justice Task Force, and many others. He spoke in support of the FPD by stating that there are 80 men and women in the department who work hard and are stretched very thin in stressful jobs. He stated that most of today's FPD employees were not with the City when the Hartman murder took place. **Chair Eberhart** stated that FPD is the only law enforcement agency in Alaska working towards international accreditation. He explained that accreditation would help ensure that proper policies and procedures are in place and are being exercised. He stated that he is grateful that the City Council approved a new cold case investigator position in the 2016 budget. He stated that in the interest of truth and justice, he has asked Chief Aragon for a plan of action in pursuing the unsolved homicides; he spoke specifically to the Mahogany Davis case. He stated that some of the leads in Davis' case may help in the Hartman case. **Mayor Eberhart** stated that because he is a former attorney for Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) and is now City Mayor, he has many conflicts of interest in the case. He stated that he is not in the position to give his view on guilt or innocence in the Fairbanks Four case. He asked Ms. Bailey to introduce the guest speakers.

**Ms. Bailey** reiterated that the meeting is not about rehashing the case; she stated that the objective is to identify ways to begin the healing process. She introduced the guest speakers: Dr. Karen Taylor, UAF Assistant Professor of Communication; William Watson, Seven Secrets Counseling and former Alaska State Trooper; Bennie Colbert, NAACP President. She stated that Ms. Shirley Lee will be standing in for Victor Joseph, President of TCC.

Dr. Karen Taylor – Dr. Taylor emphasized the role of the media in the Fairbanks Four case. She stated that the media does not have much influence over individual perceptions; she stated that it is important to treat each other as individuals. She explained that media has a tendency to turn individuals into representatives of groups they are a part of. Dr. Taylor stated that the goal moving forward in regard to media and social media is to “re-humanize” all of those involved in the Fairbanks Four case. She commented that social media has a bad habit of using hash tags and abbreviations and that people often use those forms of communication over photographs and referring to people by name. She again emphasized the importance of maintaining interpersonal communications whenever possible.

**Ms. Bailey** asked Dr. Taylor to offer a suggestion on meeting each other half way in regard to cultural norms. She stated that there are different ethnic groups involved in the Fairbanks Four matter, but she believes they all have a common goal of moving forward.

Dr. Taylor replied that awareness of those communication and cultural differences is most important. She explained that when technology is driving the message, communication does not come through very well. She stated that when communication goes well, people start accommodating each other and mirroring one another; she added that interpersonal communication allows individuals to see communication and cultural differences and adapt.

**Chair Eberhart** stated that the administration has discussed diversity training at the City; he stated that some organizations require that type of training on an annual basis. He stated that he has read that if you force diversity training on people, it may not be effective and it may create resistance. He suggested that a better way to go about it may be to get people to work together on projects or interact in groups in some way. He asked Dr. Taylor to comment on that.

Dr. Taylor stated that mediated training does not work. She stated that getting people into spaces where they can have conversations is more helpful than placing them in training by way of media or putting them in a crisis setting. She stated that one-on-one interaction is preferable.

**Chair Eberhart** spoke to what Community Policing means at the City of Fairbanks.

William Watson – Mr. Watson stated that everyone knows media can be a positive or a negative influence. He stated that he was in law enforcement a number of years ago and that some of those involved in the Fairbanks Four case were classmates of his. He stated that everyone is human and has been dealt injustices. Mr. Watson stated that the first thing people need to do is get past “self” and acknowledge that there is a problem, then deal with the issue. He stated that he came to Fairbanks in 1958 and has seen a lot of improvements in the area since that time; he added that there is still room for improvement. He stated that his objective is to make peoples’ lives and the community better. He stated that when he first went to the university, they had a class on Minorities and the Media; he stated that he kept the book.

**Ms. Bailey** asked Mr. Watson to make a recommendation on a therapeutic approach to help facilitate conversations of healing.

Mr. Watson stated that individuals must first acknowledge their own shortcomings; then they will be better-equipped to help others. He stated that people with addictions typically deny that there is a problem and claim that they can stop whenever they want. He stated that it took him years to realize that PTSD was an issue with himself; he stated that he thought of it as a sign of weakness. He concluded that many people are reluctant to look inwardly.

**Ms. Richards** asked for recommendations on how to raise awareness of and garner participation in diversity training at FPD.

Mr. Watson stated that if the City could raise awareness and get minorities interested in the fact that their skills are wanted, progress could be made. He stated that when he graduated from the academy in 1984, things were different and there was a “good ole boy” mentality. He stated that if people do not stand up and say something nothing will get better.

**Ms. Richards** listed the different ideas for diversity training that have been discussed.

Mr. Watson stated that respect is the key, but it has to be earned. He stated that there must be a willingness before change can take place.

**Ms. Kan** stated that she liked how Mayor Eberhart put it: if you force diversity training, you will encounter resistance. She supported the idea of having the people work on projects together and questioned how best to go about that. She stated that when individuals spend time together they become aware of their similarities instead of their differences.

**Ms. Bailey** stated that it would be difficult to implement diversity training with paid employees by way of projects.

Mr. Watson stated that things can be improved through daily contact. He stated that he spent five years in the Alaska bush and is amazed at how educated he became. He commented that the only way to truly understand the locals was to interact and build relationships with them.

**Ms. Kan** stated that it is hard to get beyond the surface in diversity training; she wondered how to get there.

**Ms. Frank** stated that conversations are a great way to get started. She stated she was 11 years old when the Fairbanks Four were arrested and only four years younger than John Hartman when he was murdered. She stated that she thought that her destiny as an Alaska native was to end up jailed, an alcoholic, or a single mother of several children. **Ms. Frank** explained that in her early 20's she went back to school and started training with the Diversity Leadership Institute. She stated that one of the main things she learned is that everyone grows up with biases, but that people can communicate what is going on in those situations. She stated that she wishes she could explain to her 11 year old self that the predominately white police force arrests natives and black people at a higher rate than everyone else. She stated that she does not think the focus of the conversation should be on mutual respect and how all people all alike and should work together; she stated that the conversations should be about privileges and how people fit into different groups as a target. She stated that right now she has agency because she is educated, has light skin and is a part of the Diversity Council. She stated that when talking about the Hartman/Fairbanks Four case, the discussion should be more about privileges and how those privileges play out in people's daily lives.

Mr. Bennie Colbert stated that he does not know a lot about the Fairbanks Four case, but that after hearing the discussion he has a lot of questions about it. He suggested that education is a good place to start in the healing process and that it is time for people to get more immersed in cultures, communities and the daily lives of one another. He commented that sometimes people hold back because of fear which causes them to remain close-minded. He stated that NAACP meetings are open to the entire community.

**Ms. Jackson** stated that strides have been made in the right direction since the creation of the FDC. She spoke to the changes that have occurred at FPD as well as the Volunteers in Policing Program. She commented that when unsolved cases get solved it makes people in the community feel valued, but when left unsolved it makes people feel as if their lives do not matter. She stated that things that are breaking the Fairbanks community apart are things like unsolved crimes; she stated that the community needs closure before healing can take place.

**Chair Eberhart** stated that people have certain comfort zones and that it is hard to move outside of that. He asked how to garner interest in cooperation as a practical measure. He stated that within the last 30 years, there have been 14 unsolved homicides in Fairbanks—of which nine victims were people of color. He commented that the math does not work out ratio-wise to the demographics of the local population. He stated that he cannot help but notice that there are no police officers in attendance at the meeting and that none except for Chief Aragon have showed up to an FDC meeting yet. **Chair Eberhart** stated that ideally, the people protecting and serving the community would take an interest in the FDC to see what is being discussed. He shared a story about a hiring process he observed at FPD when he first became Mayor and spoke to the lack of diversity on the interview panels. He stated that when he started forcing change at FPD,

there was a lot of resistance. He stated that when people will not come along willingly, sometimes they must be forced. **Chair Eberhart** stated that Chief Aragon changed all the interview questions to be more focused on the human aspect and how an individual thinks instead of technical skills that are learned at the academy.

Dr. Taylor stated that she believes conflict is systems-based. She cautioned that the pressure for closure on some unsolved cases could cause investigators to settle on the first suspect. She stated that systematic investigation should be performed across the board.

**Ms. Jackson** spoke to the importance of time and how much time is too much. She stated that she has an issue with cases that just sit; she agreed that there should not be a rush to judgment, but that there needs to be effort shown in solving the cases.

**Chair Eberhart** stated that public pressure was instrumental in the addition of a cold case officer at FPD and thanked those who spoke to the Council in favor of the new positions. He commented that it is disturbing to have unsolved homicides due to budgetary restraints.

**Ms. Lee** stated that she will speak on behalf of TCC for Victor Joseph who could not be present. She stated that every April she holds a Gathering of Remembrance for unsolved homicides in the community, a total of 37 total cases. She stated that there are a disproportionate number of victims that were people of color and that the oldest case on the list was her first cousin who was murdered back in the early 1970's. She stated that she started working on the Fairbanks Four case about 12 years ago and that the case has now become representative of a broken justice system. She stated that in the '40's and '50's, there were still signs downtown that said "No Natives Allowed" and commented that healing is about dealing with generational trauma. **Ms. Lee** stated that the case is a wound much deeper than what the community has had to deal with before. She stated that she and Marvin came up with the term "Fairbanks Four" because she wanted to keep attention on the case. She stated that the case is not just about John Hartman, but about the four men who were imprisoned and their families. **Ms. Lee** stated that the Hartman case happened in large part because diversity was not understood by those involved. She stated that FPD's handling of the case shows that they did not have a good working knowledge of native practices or culture. She spoke out against the interrogation processes that were used in the Fairbanks Four case and questioned whether FPD has a policy against interrogating minors without their parents present. She stated that when people start talking about changing processes and building trust it has to be a unified effort by the community. **Ms. Lee** stated that in order to start building that trust, FPD needs to be present; she stated that their absence speaks volumes. She spoke out against generalizing groups of people. She expressed the need for improving communication and developing good one-on-one relationships; she suggested that everyone should "Adopt-a-Cop." **Ms. Lee** stated that there is an officer who comes to Housing First and maintains a good relationship with the tenants. She stated that TCC has always strived for better relationships within the community and that they will continue to do that. **Ms. Lee** stated that TCC is calling for an independent review—not to penalize—but to see what was broken in the system and how things might be improved. She stated that healing is a huge undertaking and that the evening's discussion is only a tiny part of that process.



**Ms. Bailey** stated that she likes the name “Fairbanks Four” but indicated that for a long time she did not know the guys’ real names. She stated that once she learned their individual names, it was powerful and made her feel more connected to the case.

A public member commented that those sitting in the audience feel removed from the conversation; she stated that she had a different idea of what the meeting would be. She stated she had hoped for more of an open dialogue.

The group decided to take a five minute recess then reconvene in the middle of the room where an open-dialogue discussion could be had by all.

**Chair Eberhart** called for a five minute recess.

*Because the group was seated away from the microphones, the remainder of the meeting was not recorded.*

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a) Diversity Action Plan

**Chair Eberhart** asked if there was any objection to postponing Unfinished Business and New Business to the regular meeting of February 9, 2016. No members objected.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) “Humans of Fairbanks” Project

*Item was postponed to the regular meeting of February 9, 2016.*

### **FDC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

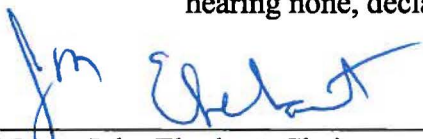
- a) Accessibility Committee Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2015

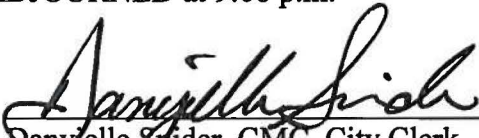
### **MEETING DATES**

- a) Next Meeting Date – February 9, 2016

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Eberhart** called for objection to adjourning the meeting and hearing none, declared the meeting ADJOURNED at 9:08 p.m.

  
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Mayor John Eberhart, Chair

  
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Danyelle Snyder, CMC, City Clerk

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