



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA NO. 2014-11  
**REGULAR MEETING JUNE 09, 2014**  
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 (5) 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 phone, electronic and messaging 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 March 24, 2014
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 Application

for Transfer of Ownership and Name Change. Public Testimony will be taken and limited to five (5) minutes.

Type: Beverage Dispensary, License #4530

From: Baracuda's Beach Bar / Xavier's, Inc.  
1288 Sadler Way, Fairbanks

To: Regency Fairbanks Hotel / Pacific Rim Associates, Inc.  
Same Location

8. MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Ordinance No. 5947 – An Ordinance Ratifying a Labor Agreement Between the City of Fairbanks and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1547. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING.
- b) Ordinance No. 5948 – An Ordinance Amending the 2014 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Third Time. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- \*a) Resolution No. 4631 – A Resolution Awarding a Contract to Exclusive Paving, Inc. for the Lemeta Subdivision Improvements Project FB-14-23 in the Amount of \$1,893,911. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.
- \*b) Resolution No. 4632 – A Resolution Fixing the Rate of Tax Levy for Municipal Purposes for the 2014 Real Property Tax of the City of Fairbanks, Alaska. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.
- \*c) Resolution No. 4633 – A Resolution Approving Sale of Old City Hall for the Amount of \$180,000.00. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.
- \*d) Ordinance No. 5949 – An Ordinance Authorizing Public Sale of Surplus City-Owned Property. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS (INFORMATION AND REPORT)

- a) Committee Reports

12. COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

- \*a) Deferred Compensation Committee Update
- \*b) Clay Street Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2013
- \*c) Clay Street Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes of September 4, 2013
- \*d) Clay Street Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2014
- \*e) Appointment to the Clay Street Cemetery Commission
- \*f) Appointments to the Fairbanks Diversity Council

13. COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

14. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

15. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Labor Negotiations: PSEA

17. ADJOURNMENT



FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, MARCH 24, 2014  
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The City Council convened at 7:00 p.m. on the above date, following a Work Session with Alaska Municipal League/Joint Insurance Association (AML/JIA), 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: Renee Staley, Seat A  
Perry Walley, Seat B  
Bernard Gatewood, Seat C  
Jim Matherly, Seat D  
Lloyd Hilling, Seat E  
Chris Anderson, Seat F

Absent: None

Also Present: Warren Cummings, Fire Chief  
Paul Ewers, City Attorney  
Janey Hovenden, City Clerk  
Jim Williams, Chief of Staff  
Stephanie Johnson, Dispatch Center Manager  
Tony C. Shumate, Director Personnel/Purchasing/RM  
Pat Smith, Development Manager  
Jim N. Soileau, Chief Financial Officer  
Laren Zager, Police Chief

### **INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by City Clerk Janey Hovenden.

### **FLAG SALUTATION**

**Mayor Eberhart** led the Flag Salutation.

### **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Lance Roberts, PO Box 83449, Fairbanks – Mr. Roberts referenced the Borough ordinance up for first reading at the Borough Assembly Meeting on March 27, 2014, regarding a line of credit for the Interior Alaska Natural Gas Utility (IANGU). He stated that a legal case originating in 2006 had finally been resolved in the favor of municipalities and that the Borough anticipates the receipt of about \$7.8 million. He indicated that in 2006 the pipeline did not generate enough tax dollars and the taxpayers had to make up for it. Mr. Roberts explained that the Borough will have up to a \$7.5 million line of credit that may be available to the IANGU to get the natural gas

project started. He spoke to the effect that the line of credit would have on local taxpayers and to how the mill rate may be adjusted. Mr. Roberts stated that the purpose of his testimony is to give the City Council a heads up on the introduction of the ordinance.

**Mr. Hilling** asked Mr. Roberts to speak to what happened in 2006.

Mr. Roberts explained that the State Assessment Review Board is the body that evaluates the value of the pipeline for tax assessment purposes. He stated that in 2006 municipalities disagreed with the assessment values and sued the oil companies for what they considered to be too low of an assessment. He explained that the higher amount was actually paid under duress and was put into a holding account. Mr. Roberts stated that with the recent court ruling the money may now be paid to the municipalities involved in the case. He confirmed that the Borough's portion of over \$7 million will likely be earmarked for an IANGU line of credit.

Tim Sovde, 402 Bonnifield Street, Fairbanks – Mr. Sovde stated that he is expecting the City Council to exercise its rights to protect City interests in the natural gas utility. He spoke to the proposed Borough ordinance and questioned its benefit to the City of Fairbanks. He suggested that instead of being used as a line of credit for the IANGU, the money should be distributed back to the taxpayers. Mr. Sovde encouraged the City Representative to ask tough questions at the upcoming Borough Assembly Meeting. He pointed out that general funds cannot be used to benefit any particular area within the Borough and suggested that a service area be created that will levy taxes upon only those receiving the benefits of the natural gas utility. He spoke to the influence that a City Representative may have at Borough Assembly Meetings.

**Mr. Hilling** asked what percentage of non-City residents he believes will benefit from the natural gas utility.

Mr. Sovde replied that the utility plans to distribute natural gas to all areas of the Borough outside the City, except those areas that are extremely remote. He stated there are maps of the proposed build out areas available.

John Ferree, 939 Smallwood Trail, Fairbanks – Mr. Ferree stated that he is the Assistant Business Manager for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 1547. He spoke in support of Ordinance No. 5942, an ordinance ratifying a labor agreement with the IBEW and the City of Fairbanks. He stated that the negotiations were executed in a fair manner over the course of about three months.

Diane Fleeks, 202 10th Avenue, Fairbanks – Ms. Fleeks stated that she is speaking on behalf of the Fairbanks Community Museum located in the Historic City Hall Building. She thanked community members for their help in putting on the Arctic Winter Games Then and Now Exhibit. She stated that since the Arctic Winter Games (AWG) had not been held in Fairbanks in 26 years the Board of Directors for the Fairbanks Community Museum decided to create an exhibit to mark the occasion. She stated that the primary resource to make the exhibit successful was the volunteer involvement from the Fairbanks community. Ms. Fleeks thanked the AWG staff for loaning items for the exhibit and for donating two large display cases to the museum. She thanked several members of the community by name along with the AWG Host Committee,

Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) Mayor Luke Hopkins, the Fairbanks Daily News Miner and the City of Fairbanks' Hotel/Motel Discretionary Fund Committee.

Marti Steury, 3175 C.E.D. Road, Fairbanks – Ms. Steury stated that she is the Executive Director of the Yukon Quest International Sled Dog Race. She expressed pride to be a part of the Fairbanks community and recognized the City's Public Works Department, Mayor's Office and the Police Department for helping get the race off to a safe start. Ms. Steury announced that the Yukon Quest was recently inducted into the Alaska Sports Hall of Fame and stated that her goal is to allow all 1,000 people who helped put on the race to hold the trophy. She stated that there will be an exhibit in the Sports Hall of Fame in the Anchorage airport by the end of the month.

Frank Turney, 329 6th Avenue, Fairbanks – Mr. Turney read aloud portions of "An Essay on the Trial by Jury" written by Lysander Spooner. He stated that HB 315, a Jury Rights Bill introduced by State Representatives Tammie Wilson and Scott Kawasaki, will have a hearing on March 26 at 1:00 p.m. at the Legislative Information Office (LIO). He shared that many states have adopted jury nullification rights which allow a jury to effectively make a law void. Mr. Turney suggested that if a jury's verdict has to be based solely on facts of the law then jurors could be replaced by computers. He stated that whether or not HB 315 passes juries will still have the right to nullification but that the bill would prevent judges from mis-instructing jurors on their role and responsibilities.

**Mr. Hilling** asked Mr. Turney if HB 315 would obligate judges to inform jurors that they have a right to judge the law itself.

Mr. Turney stated that judicial acceptance of jury nullification began to diminish in 1895 when the Supreme Court upheld a conviction in an appealed case where the judge had refused to let the jury know of their nullification power. He stated that HB 315 will require judges to fully inform jurors of their nullification rights.

Victor Buberger, PO Box 58192, Fairbanks – Mr. Buberger spoke to the need for public restroom facilities in the downtown area. He stated that it would be interesting to find out from clean-up crews how much they picked up over the weekend since porta-potties were available for public use. He stated that if the City can afford to pay some of its police officers over \$13,000 per month surely it could afford to furnish public restroom facilities. He spoke to how poorly police officers are paid in third world countries. He stated that he has photographed public restrooms and roundabouts in third world countries and would like to share the photos with the Council. He indicated that the restroom facilities are fairly nice and modern. Mr. Buberger spoke out against overpaying public servants and stated that they are not "elite" workers. He commented that some are milking local taxpayers to accommodate their inflated wage.

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

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

**Mr. Anderson**, seconded by **Mr. Gatewood**, moved to APPROVE the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

**Mr. Walley** pulled Ordinance No. 5942 from the Consent Agenda.

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

City Clerk Hovenden read the Consent Agenda, as Amended, into the record.

### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

a) Regular Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2014.

PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

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

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that the last few weeks have been very busy and exciting with the 2014 Arctic Winter Games, the annual meetings of the Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) and Doyon, the Open North American Sled Dog Championship (ONAC) and other events throughout the community. He thanked everyone in the City of Fairbanks who helped make the AWG a terrific success and indicated that he has heard nothing but positive feedback on the event. **Mayor Eberhart** recognized Council Members and City staff for volunteering to help with the games and commended the Fairbanks Police Department (FPD) for coordinating security for the large event. He stated that a Canadian television station did a special segment featuring FPD. **Mayor Eberhart** announced that the City has signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Downtown Association (DTA) of Fairbanks to expand the emergency services patrol City-wide and that the agreement will go into effect on April 1, 2014. He thanked the City Council and the Borough for contributing the extra funding to make the expansion possible and expressed hope that the expanded program will provide relief for the City's Fire and Police Departments. **Mayor Eberhart** stated that the City has run into some problems and delays in implementing the new public safety assistant program. He announced that Chief of Staff Jim Williams and Council Member Walley will be flying to Juneau within the next few days to meet with legislators regarding the City's requests. He reminded the Council that the top priority is obtaining funds to expand the emergency service patrol. **Mayor Eberhart** spoke to the fiscal stability of the City of Fairbanks. He thanked Mr. Ferree for his testimony in regard to the proposed IBEW labor contract and shared that the IBEW bargaining unit had met earlier in the day and voted to ratify the proposed agreement. He stated that he believes the agreement is fair and balanced and within the parameters of authority given to him by the City Council. He welcomed questions from the Council in regard to the proposed three-year contract. **Mayor Eberhart** stated that a member of the public requested a document comparing the changes from the last IBEW collective bargaining agreement (CBA) to the proposed document that is in the agenda packet. He stated that Jim Williams was able to compile the information and that each Council Member should have a copy of the document on their desks. **Mayor Eberhart** listed an array of meetings and events he has attended since the last Regular City Council Meeting. He stated that Borough Mayor Luke Hopkins has spearheaded the formation of an F-35 Committee to raise awareness and support for bringing 3,000 – 4,000 new residents into the community. He stated that the site survey team for the Air Force recently visited and added that there should be an announcement in June regarding the F-35 site(s) that are selected. He shared that the lead on

the F-35 Committee is Jim Williams and briefly spoke to Mr. Williams' military background and knowledge. **Mayor Eberhart** stated that Mr. Williams and Police Chief Zager recently met with Jody Potts, Director of the Village Public Safety Officers (VPSO) at Tanana Chiefs Conference. He stated that he was unable to attend the meeting but indicated that the City requested help in finding Native Alaskan applicants for the police department. He stated that Ms. Potts expressed interest in having some Fairbanks police officers perform training for VPSO's. **Mayor Eberhart** spoke to the progress of the work study program.

**Mr. Gatewood** asked Mayor Eberhart if he had any comments on the proposed Borough ordinance to provide IANGU with a line of credit.

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that he has not had the opportunity to read the ordinance. He stated that he has asked Mr. Williams to attend the Borough Assembly Meeting in his absence.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Ordinance No. 5940 – An Ordinance Authorizing the Lease of Land Known as Golden Heart Plaza to Festival Fairbanks. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- b) Ordinance No. 5941 – An Ordinance Amending the 2014 Operating and Capital Budgets for the First Time. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.

ADVANCED on the CONSENT AGENDA.

- c) Ordinance No. 5942 – An Ordinance Ratifying a Labor Agreement Between the City of Fairbanks and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1547. Introduced by Mayor Eberhart.

**Mr. Gatewood**, seconded by **Mr. Walley**, moved to ADVANCE Ordinance No. 5942.

**Mr. Walley** thanked the negotiating team for all their hard work. He stated that sometimes it is difficult to see the bigger picture when reviewing labor contracts and indicated that once a CBA is ratified it may set the bar for other labor contracts. He stated that being a person who likes to see the "bottom line" he asked Chief Financial Officer Jim Soileau to prepare a projection from 2010 – 2016 to see the effect on City finances for all union contracts. **Mr. Walley** stated that the most concerning part of the projection is the net change in the fund balance, up to a \$700,000 deficit at the end of 2016. He clarified that the \$700,000 shortfall would not be a true deficit because the fund balance is large enough to cover it, but commented that he views that money as a savings account that should not be used to fund labor contracts.

**Mr. Gatewood** asked Mr. Walley if the projections are based on a uniform increase to all unions the City hold contracts with.

**Mr. Walley** replied affirmatively. He stated that he would like to see a concrete plan in the fiscal note for funding those contracts in the years to come.



**Mr. Anderson** asked if there is something in the Fairbanks General Code (FGC) that prohibits the Council from ratifying an agreement that will cause financial harm to the City.

**Mayor Eberhart** replied that he is not aware of any provision in the FGC speaking directly to that. He mentioned that there is a minimum balance requirement for the General Fund set forth in the FGC.

City Attorney Ewers clarified that the minimum fund balance set forth in the FGC must be at least 20% of budgeted operational expenditures or \$4,000,000, whichever is greater.

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that the prior administration got the City into the pattern of one-year agreements and wage reopeners. He stated that the aim of the IBEW contract is to match the 2.5% increase that was given to the AFL/CIO bargaining unit. He reminded the Council that the City will be receiving an \$870,000 bond refund that can help cover labor increases for 2014. He pointed out that the IBEW bargaining unit has agreed to a reduced increase of 2% in years 2015 and 2016. **Mayor Eberhart** spoke to the various cost-saving measures that are currently being explored by the administration. He mentioned that the tax cap formula for City property taxes increases by the Anchorage-based Consumer Price Index (CPI) each year. He encouraged the Council to support the proposed three-year agreement for the certainty of both the Council and the City employees.

**Mr. Anderson** again asked if there is some provision in the FGC that prohibits the Council from ratifying an agreement that will cause financial harm to the City.

CFO Jim Soileau stated that there is no such specific provision but cited the minimum fund balance set forth in the FGC. He stated that the current minimum fund balance for 2014 is \$6.8 million and stated that there is a total projected fund balance of \$12.7 million and an unassigned projected balance of \$11.9 million for 2014. Mr. Soileau explained that the forecast he created is based on current assumptions and revenue history over the past few years. He stated that a preliminary taxable value projection from the Borough indicates that there will be an estimated \$54 million increase over 2013. He spoke to other revenues such as hotel/motel tax and stated that City revenues look stable for 2014. Mr. Soileau reminded the Council that the projected forecast is based on all City unions receiving the same increases over a three-year period, not just the IBEW bargaining unit. He pointed out that the increase made to the Capital Budget transfer by former Mayor Cleworth from \$200,000 to \$500,000 has been carried over in future years in his forecast. He explained that the Council may choose to amend future budgets to reduce each transfer amount by \$300,000 thus offsetting the projected shortfall at the end of the projection period. He reminded the Council that his projection is only a guide.

**Mayor Eberhart** reminded the Council that the \$80 million Fairbanks Memorial Hospital (FMH) expansion will take place in 2015 and that the building permit fees for the project are estimated at \$500,000. He indicated that from speaking with others in the community, tourism is projected to be stable for 2014 and that the real estate market is improving. **Mayor Eberhart** gave an optimistic outlook on the future of the Fairbanks economy and stated that he believes the City can afford to fund the IBEW contract.

Mr. Soileau stated that preliminary estimates indicate that the City will be \$1.2 million to the good for the 2013 fiscal year.

**Mr. Walley** stated that he is not trying to be negative but is only trying to take a realistic look at the future of City finances. He asked Mr. Soileau what the anomaly was in the 2014 budget adjustment in relation to revenues and taxes.

Mr. Soileau replied that it is the \$869,000 bond reimbursement final payment which will make the City of Fairbanks truly debt-free. Mr. Soileau spoke to the cap within the tax cap and how it affected his projection.

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that some legislators are discussing an increase to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) rate from 22% to 24%. He stated that if that happens it will cost the City of Fairbanks about \$200,000. He explained that there is also a chance that municipal revenue sharing could be cut by \$10 million which would equate to an estimated \$85,000 decrease to the City's share. **Mayor Eberhart** asked Mr. Soileau if he assumed flat or even lesser revenues in his projection beyond 2014.

Mr. Soileau explained that the flat revenue is an illusion of the bond reimbursement. He stated that he included revenues in his projection.

**Ms. Staley** asked if the 2015 and 2016 shortfalls would be \$702,000 and \$978,000, respectively, if the PERS rate increased.

**Mr. Walley** reminded the Council in the spirit of fairness that the numbers are only projections. He stated that there is a lot of uncertainty on both sides and expressed his concern regarding labor contracts.

Mr. Soileau stated that he finds some comfort in seeing the \$4 million surplus over the minimum requirement in the fund balance at the end of the projection. He stated that the surplus gives the Council some leeway. He commented that the forecast was his best effort at predicting what may happen in the years to come.

**Mr. Matherly** expressed appreciation for the discussion on Ordinance No. 5942. He stated that he comes from a conservative perspective like Mr. Walley and that he never loses sight of the Council's obligation to be prudent with City finances. He commented, however, that the Council must also negotiate fairly and enter into labor contracts for the various unions. **Mr. Matherly** expressed hesitation in agreeing to a contract that would then obligate the City to agree to similar terms for all the other union contracts.

**Mr. Hilling** addressed three items of concern: 1) the obligation to be consistent among all labor contracts, 2) the uncertainty of inflation, and 3) the funding source. He stated that FGC Section 42.1(2)(n)(5) charges the City Council with a goal of maintaining "consistency between bargaining units, as well as between union and non-union employees." He explained that one of his problems with the proposed IBEW labor contract is that it fails to be consistent with the last ratified contract with the AFL-CIO. He pointed out that the AFL-CIO agreed to a one-time pay out equivalent to a 1% increase in 2014 along with a 1.5% CPI increase. He stated that while the

total increase is still 2.5% it would not equate to the proposed 2.5% increase for the IBEW. He explained that the difference is that the IBEW's 1% appropriation to healthcare would carry into the future whereas the AFL-CIO's 1% was a one-time payout.

**Mayor Eberhart** explained that the 2.5% increase for both unions in 2014 would cost the City the same no matter how the unions agreed to allocate or receive it.

**Mr. Hilling** asked for an explanation as to the City's financial obligation for the 1% healthcare increase in years beyond the proposed contract terms.

Mr. Soileau stated that once the 1% allocation to healthcare is agreed upon it becomes a part of the package rate.

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that if the proposed IBEW labor contract is approved, all terms would reopen for renegotiation in 2017.

**Mr. Hilling** stated that there is a good chance that there will be an increase to inflation over the next several years but that it has remained around 1% for a number of years. He referenced FGC Section 42.1(2)(n)(6) which states that the Council will "negotiate contracts with annual wage and benefit reopeners if future sources of funding are not secured." He suggested that funding future years of a contract with reserve dollars would be a violation of the intent of the FGC. **Mr. Hilling** stated that while he personally does not care to participate in labor negotiations every year, he believes it would be wrong for the City to make financial commitments beyond the current year without identifying a specific funding source.

**Mayor Eberhart** clarified that he had not suggested that the City use savings to fund future years of a labor contract and listed an array of revenue sources that could be used. He asked Mr. Soileau to proceed with his comments.

**Mr. Hilling** interjected. He suggested that it may be out of order for Mr. Soileau to provide unsolicited comments to the Council. He responded to Mayor Eberhart's comments by stating that the reason for the projected shortfall in relation to revenues vs. expenditures is because no new revenue sources have been identified. He expressed confusion as to why Mayor Eberhart was optimistic about funding sources in future years.

**Mayor Eberhart** asked Mr. Soileau to speak to the financial forecast.

Mr. Soileau stated that the IBEW contract could be funded for the term of the proposed agreement through the natural progression of the City's property tax revenue. He explained that the purpose of the projection is only to provide the Council with a bigger picture of what would happen if all the unions received the same increase. He stated that only the IBEW contract is being considered by the Council at this time.

**Mr. Hilling** stated that if one union receives a 2.5% increase then all the unions will likely receive the same. He asked Mr. Soileau why the optimistic outlook on property tax revenue is not reflected in the forecast if things do indeed look promising over the next few years.

Mr. Soileau stated that the forecast is a conservative prediction. He stated that he used a 1.7% increase to the net taxable value for property which is likely a conservative increase based on the City Building Department's projections over the next few years. He stated that he cannot guarantee any of the projected numbers but that he is making his best and most realistic prediction based on history and the information that is available to him.

**Mr. Walley** stated that earlier in the meeting he referred to the surplus in the fund balance as "savings" and clarified that the money is not actually savings.

**Mr. Hilling** stated that he feels that it is appropriate to refer to the excess fund balance as savings and that he feels strongly against using that money to fund future labor contracts. He stated that he would not agree to approve funding for a three-year contract. He again called for a point of order when Mr. Soileau offered comments. He asked Mayor Eberhart if it was permissible for Mr. Soileau to make voluntary statements and stated that Mr. Soileau is arguing with Council Members.

**Mayor Eberhart** explained that Mr. Soileau is the financial expert who is present for the purpose of assisting the City Council.

**Mayor Eberhart** asked Mr. Soileau if he had any further comments to make to the Council.

Mr. Soileau stated that he was simply trying to answer the questions as they were presented to him. He noted that it was not his intent to argue with any Council Member or to influence the Council in any way.

**Mr. Walley** stated that the Council has given direction to the negotiating team during the negotiation process based on the facts and information that have been presented in Executive Sessions. He stated that the Council still has the ability to change its mind based on new information and to take a year-to-year approach to labor negotiations. He indicated that he would not support the advancement of Ordinance No. 5942.

**Mr. Hilling** stated that he does not feel that denying a 2.5% increase is unfair and that the proposed increase is 1½ - 2% more than the rate of inflation. He spoke to other local government organizations who have agreed to much less than a 2.5% increase for their union employees.

**Mayor Eberhart** stated that the collective bargaining process was done in good faith with a great deal of compromise. He spoke to the negotiating process and stated that he believes that he bargained within the parameters set by the Council. He expressed hope that the Council would advance Ordinance No. 5942 to the next meeting. **Mayor Eberhart** stated that IBEW employees just learned that their healthcare premiums will increase, leaving them with smaller paychecks. He asked the Council to review the proposed IBEW labor contract and contact him if there are any questions.

**Mr. Hilling** stated that while it is unfortunate when employees' medical costs go up he does not believe it is the City's problem.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION TO ADVANCE ORDINANCE NO. 5942 AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Gatewood, Anderson  
NAYS: Walley, Matherly, Staley, Hilling  
**Mayor Eberhart** declared the MOTION FAILED.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### Committee Reports

Public Safety Commission (PSC) – **Ms. Staley** stated that Lorna Illingworth gave a good presentation about the Volunteers in Policing (VIP) program. She stated that the VIP program struggles for funding and that many people are not aware that it even exists.

Golden Heart Parking Services (GHPS) – **Ms. Staley** stated that she will be meeting with City Attorney Ewers in a week to discuss collections for (GHPS). She stated that she will be attending the next FMATS Policy Committee meeting in Mr. Walley's absence.

## **COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

- a) Clay Street Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2014

ACCEPTED on the CONSENT AGENDA

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

**Mr. Gatewood** spoke to the long deliberation over the advancement of Ordinance No. 5942. He expressed his pride in fellow Council Members even though he was not on the prevailing side of the vote. He stated that as long as he has served on the City Council he has not seen his peers form cliques. He commented that each member votes according to his or her individual convictions. **Mr. Gatewood** stated that he volunteered for the AWG as a basketball announcer at the UAF Patty Center. He stated that he is certain that some of the youngsters he had the pleasure to announce will someday be Olympians. **Mr. Gatewood** extended congratulations to the Lathrop boys' basketball team, the West Valley boys' and girls' basketball teams, and the Monroe boys' basketball team for representing Fairbanks very well in Anchorage at the State basketball tournament. He stated that the Monroe boys won the championship, their third title in a row. He acknowledged each of the teams' head coaches and individually recognized the students who made the all-tournament team. **Mr. Gatewood** stated that he stayed at a hotel where some of the students were staying and remarked that he did not hear of or witness anything inappropriate, out of line or embarrassing from any of the student athletes. He stated that the Gatorade Company recognizes one boy and one girl from each state in the nation as player of the year. He stated that the honor this year went to two Fairbanks students, Ruthy Hebard and Scooter Bynum.

**Mr. Walley** thanked all the volunteers who gave their time to help with the AWG and the ONAC sled dog race. He thanked the crew at KFAR radio station for pulling off such a

challenging broadcast of the race. He thanked Ms. Staley for filling in for him while he is in Juneau. **Mr. Walley** stated that he did not intend to derail the advancement of Ordinance No. 5942 but that he simply wanted to present a different side of the issue. He indicated that it may have been more appropriate to have discussed the financial projection in an Executive Session but pointed out that the information was not available to him at that time.

**Ms. Staley** expressed appreciation for the negotiation process and for the discussion regarding Ordinance No. 5942. She stated that since the Council is elected to do what is in the best interest for the City they should review the labor contracts with the financial projections in mind. **Ms. Staley** stated that she had a great time participating in the wrestling portion of the AWG and thanked Amber Courtney for getting her involved.

**Mr. Matherly** echoed Mr. Gatewood's comments that each Council Member votes according to his or her convictions and stated that it shows that the Council as a body truly cares about every issue. He thanked Mr. Soileau for his work in providing the information and for answering questions from the Council. **Mr. Matherly** publically thanked Tony Shumate, Director of Personnel/Purchasing/Risk Management, for his service to the City and wished him luck in his new job at the Borough. **Mr. Matherly** stated that he missed the last Council Meeting and did not participate much in the AWG for medical reasons but stated that he would have volunteered more time if he could have. He stated that all the feedback he received about the games was positive and commended those who directed the event.

**Mr. Hilling** expressed appreciation for the give-and-take process of labor negotiations and apologized to Mayor Eberhart for insinuating that there was an imbalance of such. He stated that he believes that Mayor Eberhart has negotiated fairly and in good faith. **Mr. Hilling** commended City staff for stepping up to help with the AWG. He stated that the City has many quality employees and that he intends to be fair in continued labor negotiations. **Mr. Hilling** spoke to the issue of jury nullification and to his struggle to support it throughout the years. He spoke to those instances where there is a crime with no victim and indicated that he has become more and more convinced that it should be the right of a jury to judge the law. **Mr. Hilling** addressed Mr. Buberger's testimony regarding the need for public restrooms in downtown Fairbanks. He stated that if the City were to install public facilities downtown he fears it would present a great deal of other problems. He acknowledged that it is a problem and stated that the only possible solution he can see is to canvass downtown businesses for public use of their facilities.

**Mr. Anderson** commented on the local volunteer support and the remarkable success of the AWG. He stated that he served as an emcee for five days of the games. He thanked the Fairbanks Police Department for their involvement in the AWG.

**Mr. Gatewood**, in response to Mr. Hilling's comments on jury nullification, expressed his belief that there is no such thing as a victimless crime. He stated that if there is such a thing, it is a rare occurrence.

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

City Attorney Ewers stated that he met with Linda Bussey, a Council Member at the City of Yellowknife in the Northwest Territory. He stated that he gave her a tour of City Hall, discussed the emergency service patrol and other social programs that the City is involved with. He stated that Ms. Bussey gave him some media and pins from Yellowknife and joked that he may retire and take up diamond mining there. Mr. Ewers stated that Ms. Bussey especially enjoyed the Jean Lester portraits in the main level of City Hall.

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

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a) Labor Contract Negotiations – IBEW and PSEA
- b) FCVB Lease

The City Council met in Executive Session to discuss Labor Contract Negotiations for PSEA and IBEW and to discuss the FCVB Lease. Direction was given to staff concerning labor negotiations, a date was set for a work session to discuss the FCVB Lease, and no further action was taken.

**Mr. Walley** asked to be excused for the Regular City Council Meeting of April 7, 2014, due to travel.

There was no objection to Mr. Walley's request.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Ms. Staley**, seconded by **Mr. Matherly**, moved to ADJOURN the meeting.

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

**Mayor Eberhart** declared the Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

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JOHN EBERHART, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JANEY HOVENDEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

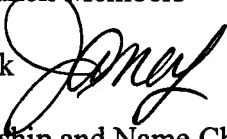
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# MEMORANDUM

City of Fairbanks Clerk's Office

Janey Hovenden, MMC,  
City Clerk

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TO: Mayor John Eberhart and City Council Members  
FROM: Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk   
SUBJECT: Transfer of Liquor License Ownership and Name Change  
DATE: June 4, 2014

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An application has been received from the State Alcohol Beverage Control Board for transfer of ownership and name change for the following liquor license:

**Type:** Beverage Dispensary, License #4530  
**From:** Baracuda's Beach Bar / Xavier's, Inc.  
1288 Sadler Way, Fairbanks  
**To:** Regency Fairbanks Hotel / Pacific Rim Associates, Inc.  
Same Location

Pursuant to FCG Sec. 14-178 the Council must determine whether or not to protest the liquor license action after holding a public hearing.

Please note there are no Departmental protests for this transfer.



Introduced by: Mayor Eberhart  
Date: May 12, 2014

**ORDINANCE NO. 5947**

**AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A LABOR AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS AND THE  
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL  
WORKERS LOCAL 1547**

**WHEREAS**, the negotiating teams for the City and IBEW have reached a tentative agreement to extend the current collective bargaining agreement for an additional year under the terms and conditions outlined in the attached Letter of Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the fiscal impact of the Letter of Agreement is shown in Ordinance No. 5848, an Ordinance Amending the 2014 Operating and Capital Budgets for the Third Time,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** The terms and conditions in the attached Letter of Agreement are hereby ratified and approved.

**Section 2.** That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be the \_\_\_\_ day of June 2014.

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

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Paul Ewers, City Attorney

**Letter of Agreement**

**City of Fairbanks (COP)**

**and**

**International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local 1547, AFL-CIO**

The City and IBEW have negotiated for a successor collective bargaining agreement (CBA) to the January 1, 2011-December 31, 2013 CBA. The City and IBEW hereby agree as follows:

1. The CBA is amended to include the following provision in Article 2: Work-Study Job Training Opportunity. Recognizing the value of the High School Work Based Learning programs, the parties agree to a partnership program by the City with local High Schools for the purpose of work-study job training. Students participating in work-study opportunities, whereby they work with City employees covered by this CBA, will be exempted from membership in the Union and will not be eligible for wages and benefits as provided under this CBA. The City may establish compensation for participants in this program so long as it does not negatively impact wage and benefits for City employees covered by this CBA. Participation in this program is viewed as a learning opportunity and is not intended to displace staffing levels.
2. Article 16.1.A is amended to read that the package rate will be adjusted by an increase of two and one-half percent (2.5%) for 2014, retroactive to January 1, 2014.
3. IBEW and its members shall decide how to apply the increase in paragraph 2 above with respect to wages, benefits, and healthcare.
4. The CBA is amended to include the attached Letter of Agreement relating to the job share program.
5. Article 26.1 is amended to read that a reopener for economic issues and negotiations for a successor CBA shall start no later than October 2014.
6. Other than as above stated, all other terms of the January 1, 2011-December 31, 2013 CBA shall remain in effect unless otherwise mutually agreed.

By: John Eberhart  
John Eberhart  
City Mayor

By: John Ferree  
John Ferree, Assistant Business Manager, IBEW

Date: 8 May 2014

Date: MAY 7, 2014

**Letter of Agreement  
By and Between  
City of Fairbanks (City)  
And  
IBEW Local Union 1547 (Union)**

With this letter of agreement the City and the Union jointly agree to incorporate the following language into the current collective bargaining agreement

**10.2 – Job Share**

The job share program is designed to retain the valuable services of qualified employees through two employees sharing a single budgeted position. Availability and approval for job share opportunities will be at the sole discretion of the Mayor and affected Department Head.

- A. Job sharing is defined as two employees qualified for the same classification sharing one position. Job share opportunities will be based on a schedule to be approved in advance by the Department Head.
- B. If a job share employee separates or successfully bids into another classification, the remaining employee will have the option of reverting to full-time or requesting that the job share position be bid. If no other job share employee is hired into the position, the employee will be expected to resume full-time work status.
- C. Personal leave accrual will be prorated based on the hours worked.
- D. The employee scheduled on a holiday will observe the holiday. The employee not scheduled will not be compensated for the holiday. Each employee shall be entitled to one personal floating holiday per year.
- E. Alaska Electrical Health and Welfare Plan premium contributions will be paid for the active employee only. The inactive employee will have all benefits suspended during their job share inactive time including the use or drawdown of any accumulated personal leave.
- F. The employee who is not actively working may elect to receive COBRA benefits under the Alaska Electrical Health and Welfare Plan.

The authorized representatives of the City and the Union have executed this document this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

City of Fairbanks

IBEW 1547

By   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor John Eberhart

By   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Business Manager John Ferree

**ORDINANCE NO. 5948**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014  
OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE THIRD TIME**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
**JOHN EBERHART, MAYOR**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk

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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney



**FISCAL NOTE**

**ORDINANCE 5948, AMENDING THE 2014 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS  
FOR THE THIRD TIME**

ESTIMATED REVENUES and OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)

No Change

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FISCAL NOTE CONTINUED  
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### Capital Fund

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2. OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)

- No change

3. EXPENDITURES

- No Change

4. INTERNAL TRANSFERS

- No Change

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**JOHN EBERHART, MAYOR**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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## FISCAL NOTE CONTINUED

### Capital Fund

1. REVENUES

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2. OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)

- No change

3. EXPENDITURES

- ***\$26,642 Increase for Dispatch project***

4. INTERNAL TRANSFERS

- **\$26,642 transfer from General Fund Capital**

Introduced by: Mayor John Eberhart  
Finance Committee: June 3, 2014  
Date: June 9, 2014

**RESOLUTION NO. 4631**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO EXCLUSIVE PAVING,  
INC. FOR THE LEMETA SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FB-  
14-23 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,893,911.00**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with FGC Chapter 54, Article IV, Competitive Bidding, bids were solicited for the Lemeta Subdivision Improvements project; and

**WHEREAS**, the successful responsive bidder for the project is Exclusive Paving, Inc. of Fairbanks, Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for this project is provided to the City of Fairbanks through State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development Designated Legislative Grants; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairbanks will maintain the improvements, and there is no City of Fairbanks match requirement for the construction of this project; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks,

SECTION 1. That the Bid by Exclusive Paving, Inc. in the amount of One Million, Eight Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand, Nine Hundred Eleven Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,893,911.00) is hereby approved for award.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract and such other documents in a form approved by the City Attorney as may be necessary to effect award of the contract.

**PASSED, APPROVED and EFFECTIVE this 9th day of June 2014.**

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John Eberhart, City Mayor

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk

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Paul Ewers, City Attorney

CITY OF FAIRBANKS PURCHASING DEPARTMENT



TABULATION OF BIDS

MATERIAL DESCRIPTION:

**Lemeta Subdivision Improvements**

BID NUMBER: FB-14-23  
 BID DUE DATE: 5/23/2014  
 DATE TABULATION MAILED:

SHEET 1 OF 1

RECOMMEND: **Exclusive Paving**

REASON: **Apparent Low and Responsive Bidder Per Specifications. Pending Council Approval**

PREPARED BY: Sam T. Carlson

APPR. STC DATE 5/9/2014

VENDOR	Exclusive Paving	Great Northwest Inc	HC Contractors	Engineer's Estimate
ADDRESS	PO Box 60750	PO Box 74646	900 Old Richardson Hwy	
PHONE NO	488-8833	452-5617	488-5970	
CONTACT	Travis Cline	Randy Brand	Bill Hoople	
F.O.B.				
FAX NO.				
VIA				
TERMS				
ESCALATION				

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	CODE OR EQUIP NO	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
1	<b>Base Bid, Required Work</b>		\$1,893,911.00		\$1,953,490.00		\$2,133,761.00		\$2,290,585.00	
	<b>Addenda 1 &amp; 2</b>		X		X		X			
	<b>Non-Collusion Affidavit</b>		X		X		X			
	<b>Bid Bond</b>		X		X		X			
	<b>Insurance</b>		X		X		X			
	TOTAL PRICE:		\$1,893,911.00		\$1,953,490.00		\$2,133,761.00		\$2,290,585.00	
	LOCAL PREFERENCE:									
	DISCOUNT:									
	NET PRICE		<b>\$1,893,911.00</b>		\$1,953,490.00		\$2,133,761.00		\$2,290,585.00	

**RESOLUTION NO. 4632**

**A RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF TAX LEVY FOR  
MUNICIPAL PURPOSES FOR THE 2014 REAL PROPERTY  
TAX OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA**

**WHEREAS**, the real property assessment rolls have been completed, and the Fairbanks North Star Borough Assessor's Office has advised the City Mayor that the net taxable value of real property, as defined by AS 29.71.800, within the City of Fairbanks, Alaska, is estimated at **\$2,574,554,098**.

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

**Section 1.** That the rate of levy on the net assessed value of taxable real property is hereby fixed at 5.549 mills for municipal purposes within the City of Fairbanks. The 5.549 mill rate as provided in Fairbanks Charter Section 6.5 is comprised of three parts:

General Fund Expenditures:	4.900 mills
Voter approved services(Prop A):	.270 mills
Claims & Judgments:	.379 mills

**Section 2.** That taxes levied hereby are due, delinquent and subject to penalties and interest as provided by FGC Chapter 74, Article II, City of Fairbanks, Alaska.



**Section 3.** Taxes in any given year may be paid in two equal installments. The first half of taxes thus levied shall be due on the first day of September in the year in which the taxes are levied and are delinquent if not paid prior to the close of business on that day. The second half of taxes thus levied shall be due on the first day of November in the year in which the taxes are levied and are delinquent if not paid prior to the close of business on that day.

**Section 4.** The sections, paragraphs, sentences and clauses and phrases of this Resolution are severable. Should any part of this Resolution be declared unconstitutional or otherwise unlawful by a valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or unlawfulness shall not affect any of the remaining sections, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and phrases of this Resolution.

**Passed and Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June 2014.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
John Eberhart, MAYOR

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk

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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

City of Fairbanks  
Property Tax Computation for Mill Levy

PREPARED 06/03/2014

City Charter Sec. 6.6 A. Formula for the computation of the maximum allowable tax is: (A-B)+D+F=G

	2013	2014
A Total Amount of City Tax Levied in Prior Year	\$ 19,217,653	\$ 19,496,943
B Equals the amount of the actual payment of principal and interest on bonds made in prior year	-	-
Amount levied for judgments in prior year	(1,349,548)	(1,343,248)
Amount levied for additional voter approved taxes in prior year	(695,380)	(695,380)
(A-B)	17,172,725	17,458,315
D The percentage change in the CPI-U for Anchorage, AK during prior year multiplied by the net taxes levied in prior year. 2.20% 3.10%	377,800	541,208
F The total amount of all exclusions under City of Fairbanks Charter	2,518,378	1,969,493
G Total taxes calculated: G=(A-B)+D+F	20,068,903	19,969,016
Current Year Hotel/Motel Tax Budgeted	(2,233,308)	(2,233,308)
Current Year Alcohol Tax Budgeted	(2,050,000)	(2,163,000)
Current Year Tobacco Tax Budgeted	(940,000)	(930,000)
Total other taxes allowed by tax cap:	14,845,595	14,642,708
FGC Sec. 74-35 Surplus which exceeds 2% of prior year Revenue Cap	-	-
	14,845,595	14,642,708
Total net taxable value of Land and Improvements	\$ 2,496,940,119	\$ 2,574,554,098

	2013	2014
Calculated mill levy	5.946	5.667
Amount for voter approved services, Judgements and Claims Insurance	0.816	0.649
4.9 mills allowed by Charter	4.900	4.900
2012/2013 Property tax	5.716	5.549
Other Taxes that can be levied	0.230	0.138

2014 Mill Levy Break Down	
Allowed by Charter	4.900
Additional voter approved services	0.270
Judgments	0.379
Other taxes that can be levied	0.138
Calculated mill levy	5.687

\* Calculation of F: The total amount of all exclusions under City of Fairbanks Charter section 6.5(B).

f.1 The taxes on new construction or property improvements equals the projected tax revenue from the value of that new construction or property improvements, computed by multiplying the tax rate applied to properties in the City during the current fiscal year by the assessed value of the new construction and property improvements:

New construction & Improvements from Bldg Dept:	52,291,037
Year 2013 mill rate:	5.716
	298,896

f.2 The principal and interest due in the next fiscal year on bonds:	0
f.3 Taxes to provide additional voter-approved services:	695,380
f.4 Taxes for new judgments & claims mitigation insurance:	975,217
f.5 Special appropriations necessary on an emergency basis:	0
f.6 Any taxes approved by the voters:	0
	1,969,493 *

Proposition A - 2011

**2014 Tax Cap Calculation**

**Total amount of city tax that can be levied per City Charter Section 6.5**

<b>Total amount approved by City Council in 2013</b>		
Property Tax	14,273,635	2013 Resolution No. 4579
2013 Bonds	(695,380)	Prop A 2011
2013 Judgments	(1,343,248)	2012 actual judgments
Hotel Motel Tax	2,233,308	2013 budget amount (maximum amount applied to tax cap)
Alcohol Tax	2,050,000	2013 budget amount
Tobacco Tax	940,000	2013 budget amount
	<u>17,458,315</u>	<b>Total amount approved by City Council in 2013 *</b>
2013 inflation rate -	3.10%	
- used in 2014 Levy	<u>541,208</u>	Inflation amount
	<u>17,458,315</u>	<b>Total amount approved by City Council in 2013 *</b>
	<u>17,999,523</u>	<b>Total amount approved by City Council in 2013 adjusted for 2014 inflation</b>
	<u>1,969,493</u>	F <b>The total amount of all exclusions under City of Fairbanks Charter Section 6.5(B)</b>
	<u><u>19,969,016</u></u>	<b>2014 Tax Cap</b>

**2014 Tax Calculation**

Tax Cap	\$ 19,969,016	Calculated amount from above
Hotel Motel Tax	(2,233,308)	2013 budgeted amount*
Alcohol Tax	(2,163,000)	2013 budgeted amount
Tobacco Tax	(930,000)	2013 budgeted amount
	<u>\$ 14,642,708</u>	<b>Property tax allowed by tax cap</b>

**FGC Sec. 74-35. Tax revenue surpluses.**

Any tax surplus arising under Charter section 6.5 shall lapse to the city general fund where the amount of the annually audited surplus does not exceed two percent of total tax revenues. Surplus which exceeds two percent of total tax revenues shall, to the extent of the excess, be carried forward to the next fiscal year and credited to the maximum allowable estimated tax revenues established in accordance with Charter section 6.5.

\* Hotel/motel tax is to be fixed at the lower of the actual previous year amount or the 1999 level of \$2,233,308.

**Taxable Land Value**

2001 Taxable value	\$	1,166,983,736	
2002 Taxable value	\$	1,239,597,422	6.22% percent increase from previous year
2003 Taxable value	\$	1,318,490,000	6.36% percent increase from previous year
2004 Taxable Value	\$	1,443,372,123	9.47% percent increase from previous year
2005 Taxable Value	\$	1,594,257,518	10.45% percent increase from previous year
2006 Taxable Value	\$	1,750,438,337	9.80% percent increase from previous year
2007 Taxable value	\$	1,907,919,011	9.00% percent Increase from previous year
2008 Taxable value	\$	2,065,162,930	8.24% percent increase from previous year
2009 Taxable value	\$	2,167,193,061	4.94% percent Increase from previous year
2010 Taxable value	\$	2,420,240,995	11.68% percent increase from previous year
2011 Taxable value	\$	2,413,004,325	-0.30% percent Increase from previous year
2012 Taxable value	\$	2,452,798,320	1.65% percent Increase from previous year
2013 Taxable value	\$	2,496,940,119	1.80% percent increase from previous year
2014 Taxable value	\$	2,574,554,098	3.11% percent Increase from previous year

**RESOLUTION NO. 4633**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING SALE OF OLD CITY HALL FOR THE  
AMOUNT OF \$180,000.00**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance No. 5886, As Amended, that certain property known as Historic City Hall was determined to be surplus to the City's needs and should be sold; and

**WHEREAS**, the property was advertised for competitive bid over a ninety-day period in accordance with FGC Sections 70-52 through 70-54, during which time no bids were received; and

**WHEREAS**, the property was further offered to the public for negotiated sale, as required under the Code, until May 22, 2014, at which time a written, cash offer at the full appraised price was received from Patrick Levy, d/b/a Fairbanks Distilling Company; and

**WHEREAS**, said Ordinance No. 5886, As Amended, provides that any offers to purchase be submitted to the City Council for consideration; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks,

SECTION 1. That the cash offer from Patrick Levy d/b/a Fairbanks Distilling Company in the amount of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and No/Cents (**\$180,000.00**) is hereby approved.

SECTION 2. That this offer is subject to Fairbanks North Star Borough approval of a zoning modification, which approval will be considered on June 12, 1014.

SECTION 3. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute such documents in a form approved by the City Attorney as may be necessary to effect closing of the proposed transaction.

**PASSED, APPROVED and EFFECTIVE this 9th day of June, 2014.**

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JOHN EBERHART, MAYOR

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
APPROVED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Janey Hovenden, MMC, City Clerk

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Paul Ewers, City Attorney

Introduced By: Mayor John Eberhart  
Date: June 9, 2014

**ORDINANCE NO. 5949**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS  
CITY-OWNED PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, the City is vested with title to nine parcels of residential land as shown on attached "Exhibit A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the City administration has reviewed these properties and determined that they are no longer needed for municipal purposes and should be sold; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the referenced properties is subject to City liens in the amounts shown on "Exhibit B", which amounts will be recovered from the sale proceeds to the extent possible; and

**WHEREAS**, the City administration has assigned sale prices based on the Fairbanks North Star Borough assessed values, which will constitute minimum bid prices for the purpose of public sale; and

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

SECTION 1. RECISSION: All acts or actions of prior City Councils or Administrations affecting the sale properties as described on Exhibits A and B, are hereby rescinded.

SECTION 2. WAIVER: FGC Section 70-55 provides that minimum bids for public sale of tax and assessment foreclosed property for properties in which the right of repurchase has not been extinguished shall include judgments, decrees, assessments and taxes due plus interest, penalties, and management fees; In order to facilitate its sale, the provisions of FGC Sec. 70-55 will be waived as to Parcel No. 9 on attached "Exhibit B", recognizing that City liens against the property exceed its market value.

SECTION 3. DETERMINATION: These properties are excess to the present and future needs of the City and should be sold as herein provided.

SECTION 4. PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM: Any conveyance of real property is subject to the right of the voters, within thirty-days of sale, to reject a sale by permissive referendum under FGC Sec. 70-42, and the City Charter.

SECTION 5. TERMS OF SALE: These properties are for sale on a sealed bid, cash basis, as-is, where is, for any bids received by the published date of sale. The City shall provide Notice of Public Sale as provided under FGC Section 70-52.

SECTION 6. SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION: The provisions of FGC Sections 70-52 through 70-54 will be complied with in this sale. Successful bidders will be required to provide a ten percent cash deposit at the bid award with the balance due in cash at the time of conveyance, which will occur not more than ten business days from the date of the bid award.

SECTION 7. COUNTER SALES: Any properties offered for sale at public auction, but which remain unsold, may be sold “over the counter” at a negotiated offering price, subject to approval by the City Administration.

SECTION 8. MAYORS AUTHORIZATION: The Mayor is hereby authorized and empowered to execute quitclaim deeds and such instruments as necessary to complete the sale of these properties after Council approval.

SECTION 8. The effective date of this ordinance will be the 28th day of June 2014.

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**JOHN EBERHART, Mayor**

AYES:  
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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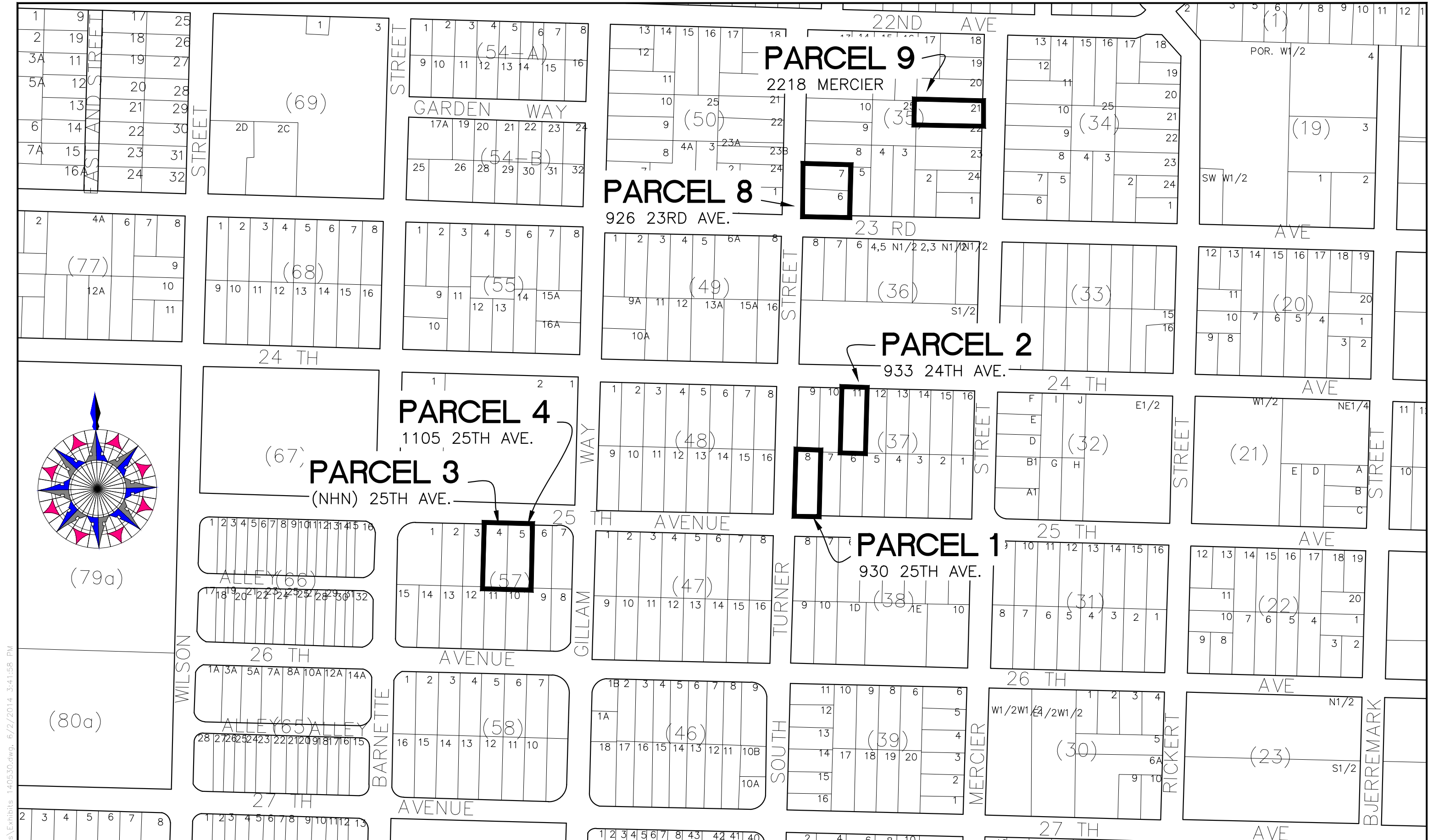
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PAUL EWERS, City Attorney

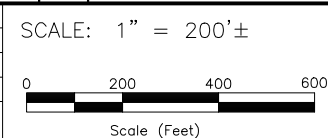
EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE No 5949  
CITY OF FAIRBANKS REAL PROPERTY AUCTION 2014





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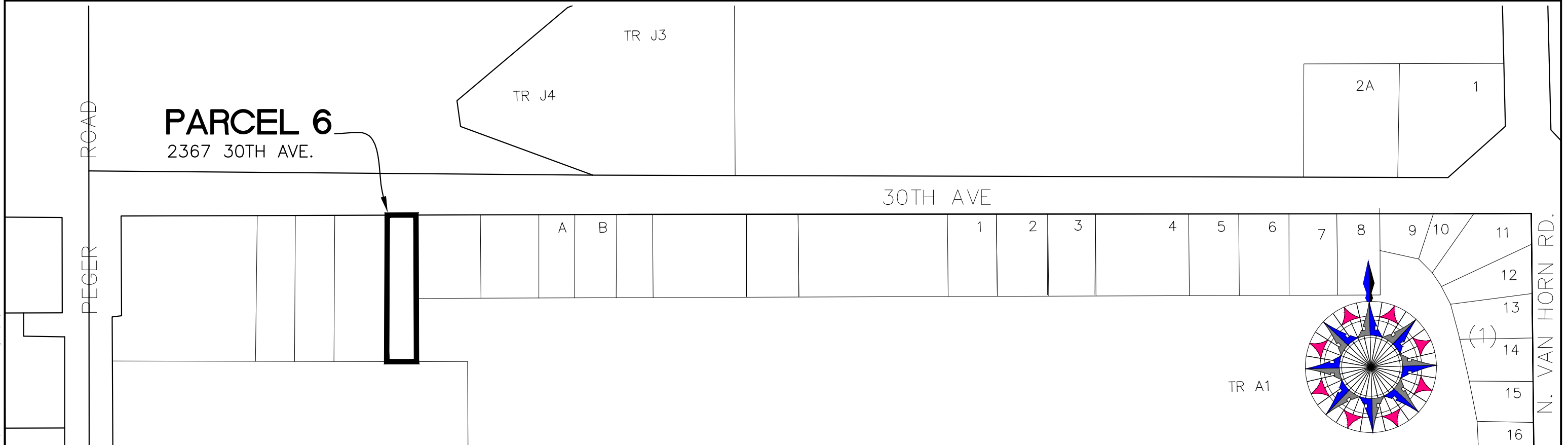
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**City of Fairbanks  
 Property Auction List**

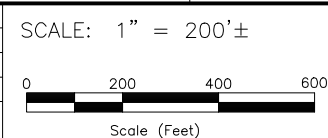
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EXHIBIT  
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DATE

**City of Fairbanks  
Property Auction List**

CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA  
Engineering Department


EXHIBIT  
**A**

EXHIBIT "B" TO ORDINANCE No 5949

**CITY OF FAIRBANKS REAL PROPERTY PUBLIC AUCTION 2014**

Parcel No.	Brief Property Description	Location	PAN	City Lien Amount	Comments	Minimum Bid
1	Lot 8, Block 37, Bjerremark	930 25th Ave	52621	\$3,723.52	Assessments	\$11,700.00
2	Lot 11, Block 37, Bjerremark	933 24th Ave	52655	\$3,269.49	Assessments	\$11,700.00
3	Lot 4, Block 57, Bjerremark	25th near Barnette	55191	\$3,503.36	Assessments	\$11,700.00
4	Lot 5, Block 57, Bjerremark	1105 25th Ave	55204	\$3,503.36	Assessments	\$11,700.00
5	Lot 14, Block 19, Lemeta Subd	828 Andrew St.	82929	\$10,056.75	Abatement - Demo	\$21,600.00
6	TL 2134, Sec. 21, T1S., R1W	2367 30th Ave	95681	\$2,576.99	Assessments	\$34,000.00
7	Lot 5A, Block 6G, Slater Subd.	578 Slater Dr.	97250	\$11,029.68	Assessments	\$38,000.00
8	Lots 6 and 7, Block 35 Woodlawn, two lots combined for sale	926 23rd Ave.	52281 & 52299	\$12,140.40	Abatement - Demo	\$17,208.00
9	Lot 21, Block 35 Woodlawn*	2218 Mercier	52434	\$24,551.56	Abatement - Demo	\$12,100.00
	* Pending Deed from FNSB					

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members  
FROM: Paul Ewers, City Attorney & DCC Chair   
SUBJECT: Deferred Compensation Committee Update  
DATE: June 3, 2014

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On behalf of the Deferred Compensation Committee, I present the following update on the progress of the Committee in its efforts to select a single provider for the City's IRS Section 457 Plan.

Resolution No. 4564 (February 25, 2013) authorized the Mayor to formally appoint a Deferred Compensation Committee and directed the Committee to prepare a Request for Proposals for selection of a single vendor for the City's IRS Section 457 plan. The selection process effort was set back by the untimely death Patrick Cole, but the Committee is now nearing completion of its assignment.

The DCC RFP review group is currently made up of me, Payroll Specialist Denise Kendrick, CFO Jim Soileau, Chief of Staff Jim Williams, and Fire Department Captain Jason Anderson.

Six responses were received to the RFP. The review group has selected three of the six for additional consideration – Lincoln Financial, MetLife Resources, and ICMA-RC. Interviews with the three finalists are scheduled for June 20. The Committee will then select one of these three.

Once the process is completed, a resolution approving the Committee's selection will be prepared for the Council's consideration.

CLAY STREET CEMETERY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
APRIL 3, 2013

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Robertson at 5:00 pm

Commissioners in attendance: Joanie Skilbred, Dave Erickson, David Pruhs, Bill Robertson.

Minutes reviewed. Joanie Skilbred moved to approved the minutes as amended. Second by David Pruhs, m/c.

Agenda: Motion by David Pruhs to accept agenda as presented. Second by Joanie Skilbred. m/c.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Kiosk - 2 boards or 3. Panel- 1 - Welcome to the cemetery. Panel -2 - navigation. Panel -3 - Names. Panel -4 - Map. Then historic people, history, etc.... Location to be near Clay Street. To be east/west facing. Need donations to finish the kiosk project.

Markers - Joanie Skilbred gave out a list of 39 names plus George Compton. Move to approve list by David Pruhs. Second by Dave Erickson. m/c.

Cemetery Policies and Rules - Joanie Skilbred passed out copies also with an application for placement. Motion by David Pruhs to accept Clay Street Cemetery Policy and Application for Placement. Second by Joanie Skilbred. m/c. Application for policies and application to be forwarded to the City for their review and approval.

N.L.U.R. - Joanie attended the NLUR report given to the Tanana/Yukon Historical Society and suggested to them that she could come and give a historical presentation on the Clay Street Cemetery. The NLUR is good press for us. A new owner has purchased NLUR. Josh and Rob volunteered to the the General SW corner for us.

Private Donation Set Up - We need to have something set up with the accounting department so we can accept private donations through the City of Fairbanks. David will look into this.

Corner Posts - It was decided at this time not to pursue the corner posts from money donated by the Pioneers.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Opening of Cemetery - May 15 Opening. Pioneers section clean up. They have money dedicated for marker maintenance. May 25th is their clean up day. There is a slab that needs to be leveled. The Pioneers want to fill in "Gibbs" slab with more concrete and level it. Motion by Joanie Skilbred to approve filling of slab. Second by Bill Robertson. m/c.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS: NONE**

**OPEN AGENDA - NONE**

Motion to adjourn at 6:16 pm by David Pruhs. Second by Joanie Skilbred.

CLAY STREET CEMETERY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
September 4, 2013

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Robertson at 4:56 pm

Commissioners in attendance: David Pruhs, Bill Robertson, Anne Castle, Frank Turney, Dave Erickson  
Minutes reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as submitted by Anne Castle. Second by Dave Erickson, m/c.

Agenda: Motion by Bill Robertson to accept agenda as presented. Second by David Pruhs. m/c.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Marker Review - Markers ordered and under construction. No arrival date yet, we should know in a1 - 2 weeks. Arrival is estimated between the 20th and 25th of September. Will be delivered to the City of Fairbanks warehouse. We will need to schedule a date for volunteers to help with the installation.

Marker Survey - List, as is, is not usable for the clerk, other than the names and location. No other details are given as no dates, section, etc... City Clerk exported their data to Anne for her database. They sent it PDF from the Genealogical Society, put both groups of information together to do the marker survey. Anne discovered some names were slightly or did not match. A few mistakes were noted on approximately 25 - 50 names/references on the marker list. It is known and much discussed, since this Commission was formed that we will never have 100% accurate data, but we will strive to achieve that anyway.

Grave Marker Repair - We will make up the repair list @ the grave marker installation and set a repair date for next summer.

Bed Tax Application - Bill Robertson and Anne Castle will be in charge of the of this years application to the Bed Tax Committee. Applications are available as of 10/1 and must be in by 10/31/13.

Bylaws and Policies - Under Construction, no report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Class visit is set for September 24, 2013. All are encouraged to be there and participate. Joanie Skilbred will be the Tour Guide for the class.

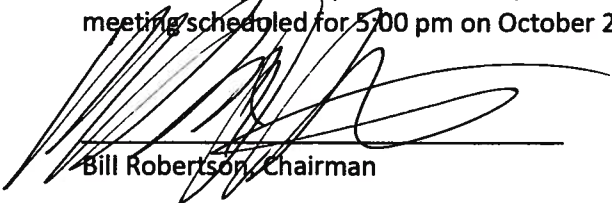
Clay Street Cemetery Sign photos reviewed. Joanie Skilbred got a sign that used to be at the Clay Street Cemetery and will be giving it to the Cemetery Commission after she shows it to the Fairbanks Genealogical Society, which was the group that originally placed it in the Cemetery.

Cemetery is scheduled for shut down on 11/1/13.

**Open Agenda:** None

**Public Comments:** None.

**Motion to adjourn** by Dave Erickson, Second by Anne Castle. m/c. Meeting adjourned at 5:48 pm. Next meeting scheduled for 5:00 pm on October 2, 2013.



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Bill Robertson, Chairman



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David Pruhs, Secretary



CLAY STREET CEMETERY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
FEBRUARY 5, 2014

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Robertson at 5:00 pm

Commissioners in attendance: David Pruhs, Bill Robertson, Anne Castle, Frank Turney, Dave Erickson  
Minutes reviewed. Motion to approve minutes as submitted by David Pruhs. Second by Anne Castle, m/c.

Agenda: Motion by Bill Robertson to accept agenda as presented. Second by David Pruhs. m/c.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mayors Ordinance No. 5936 was passed out. Will be discussed under New Business.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Grave Marker Update - We have approximately \$12,500 in funds. David Pruhs will go get the balance of our funds at the City Finance Department for budgetary decisions. Dave Erickson handed out a market estimate on the individual marker costs. No concrete vertical upright costs are available yet.

Name List - Ella Joseph Desacarist. He has a very elegant tomb stone date March 3, 1936. She is not on our list but her husband is. Anne is updating the maps of markers with color coordination so we can view the map and know if and what type of marker it has.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Minutes distribution via email. Secretary will have the minutes emailed out prior to the meeting so everyone can view the minutes and give edits for changes if needed.

Ordinance No. 5936

Motion by David Pruhs, Second by Bill Robertson to recommend the removal on Page 2, Sec. 2-487, ITEM (a) in its entirety. Reasoning is that the Mayor appoints and can make sure there is a City of Fairbanks residency requirement if the Mayor wants to but the ordinance as written may limit other available people that would be excellent to serve on the Board.

ELKS. Anne reported that the Elks are thinking about buying markers.

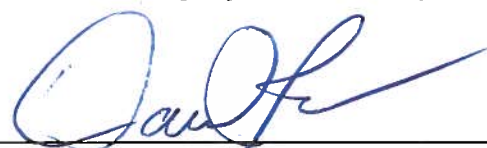
**Open Agenda:**

We are looking for old photos of the Clay Street Cemetery to add to the pictorial history. In discussion brought up by Frank Turney, it is acknowledged that urns can be placed, ashes spread etc... within EXISTING graves but this must be approved by the Clay Street Cemetery then forwarded to the Fairbanks City Council for concurrence.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Motion to adjourn** by David Pruhs, Second by Anne Castle. m/c. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm. Next meeting scheduled for 5:00 pm on March 5, 2014.

  
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Bill Robertson, Chairman

  
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David Pruhs, Secretary

*City of Fairbanks*



**MEMORANDUM**

To: City Council Members  
From: John Eberhart, City Mayor *for Mayor Eberhart*  
Subject: Request for Concurrence – Clay Street Cemetery Commission  
Date: June 2, 2014

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On February 24, 2014 the Council adopted Ordinance No. 5936, as Amended, which expanded the total membership of the Clay Street Cemetery Commission from five to seven members by adding two more at-large public representatives. I have selected an applicant to fill one of the two vacancies.

I request your concurrence to the **appointment** of Ms. Kate Ripley to the Clay Street Cemetery Commission:

Seat G: Kate Ripley Term to expire: August 31, 2016

Ms. Ripley's application and resume are attached.

Thank you.

DDS/





City of Fairbanks, Alaska

# CLAY STREET CEMETERY COMMISSION

## BOARD DETAILS

**OVERVIEW**

- SIZE** 8 Seats
- TERM LENGTH** 3 Years
- TERM LIMIT** N/A

The Clay Street Cemetery Commission shall advise the City Council and Mayor regarding the restoration, improvement, and maintenance of the Clay Street Cemetery. It shall provide and update a long-term plan for the cemetery.

**CONTACT**

- Office of the City Clerk
- (907) 459-6771
- [cityclerk@ci.fairbanks.ak.us](mailto:cityclerk@ci.fairbanks.ak.us)

**EMAIL THE COMMISSION MEMBERS** [claystreetcemeterycommission@ci.fairbanks.ak.us](mailto:claystreetcemeterycommission@ci.fairbanks.ak.us)

**DETAILS**

**BOARD/COMMISSION CHARACTERISTICS**

The Clay Street Cemetery Commission shall consist of seven members, three of whom must be residents of the City, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. One member shall be active in the study of Fairbanks history, one member shall have experience or interest in maintaining the cemetery and five members shall represent the community at large (or four members shall be at-large representatives if a Council Member is appointed to the Commission). The City Public Works Director shall be an ex-officio member of the Commission. Appointed members shall serve a three-year term. A chairperson shall be selected from among the Commission's members.

**MEETINGS**

The Commission shall conduct regular public meetings, including public hearings required as a condition of receipt of grants. If authorized by the City Council, the Commission may convene into executive session in accordance with state law.

**JOINT COMMISSION DETAILS** N/A

## Application Form

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### Profile

*Please note that profile information may be available to the public .*

Kate  
First Name

Ripley  
Last Name

[REDACTED]  
Email Address

[REDACTED]  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Suite or Apt

Fairbanks  
City

AK  
State

99709  
Postal Code

Mailing Address

### Non-Resident

What district do you live in?

[REDACTED]  
Primary Phone

[REDACTED]  
Alternate Phone

University of Alaska System  
Employer

Public Affairs Director  
Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

**Clay Street Cemetery Commission**

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### Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission? What life experience can you contribute to the benefit of the board or commission?

I'm very interested in preserving Alaska history. With my PR and communications skills, I think I can be of benefit.

Brief Personal Biography (or attach resume):

[Ripley Resume.pdf](#)  
Upload a Resume

Professional Licenses/Training:

**Kate Ripley**

**Public Affairs Director, University of Alaska System, November '04 to present**

- Provide executive level, strategic communications for the UA System administration, President and Board of Regents.
- Report to the Vice President for University Relations/President of the UA Foundation, and work directly with all senior university executives, board chair and board members.
- Responsible for all internal and external university communications targeting a wide variety of audiences; provide media relations strategy and tactics; marketing and advertising solutions; and digital, video and print publications.
- Supervise a staff of three full-time employees, with an annual operating budget of \$477,700.
- Serve as spokesperson for policy, legal and system-wide issues for the UA top- level administration, President and Board of Regents.
- Work in close collaboration with campus Advancement and University Relations colleagues at all locations, including community campuses; very involved in UA's state and federal relations communications.
- Managed collaborative system-wide marketing campaign of \$500,000 annually from 2004-2008 (Campaign suspended in 2008 due to budget reductions).

**Media and Public Relations, October 1999 to October 2004**

Professional and strategic media, writing/editing and public relations work for a variety of clients, including the Alaska State Museum, Sheldon Jackson Museum, Information Insights and Alaska Governor's Office.

**Radio Producer/Host, October 2003 to November 2004**

"Evening Rounds," weekly live call-in show, KUAC-FM, Oct. 2003 to Nov. 2004: Scheduled all guests; research topics; conduct live, in-depth interviews; and edit and produce eight-minute segment each week for "Alaska Edition," KUAC's morning news program

**Staff writer/editor, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, July 1992 to October 1999**

**Business Editor, July 1992 to November 1992**

- Researched and wrote local business features and breaking stories on the oil industry, timber, mining, tourism and other sectors.
- Determined content, including artwork and graphics, for the Sunday business section; coordinated rotating schedule of guest columnists from the community for the section; collected and edited business briefs.

**Acting City Editor, various dates throughout News-Miner tenure**

- Worked numerous stints as acting city editor, as backup for the permanent city editor during vacation or illness, as well as one 3-month period (11/92-1/93) when the position was vacant.
- Coordinated local coverage among a team of nine reporters, three photojournalists, graphic artist and copy editor.
- Served as front-line contact between the public and the newsroom.
- Assisted in developing story ideas, angles and approaches; problem-solved with difficult sources or officials; assigned stories; coordinated news photos, graphics and other artwork.
- Responsible for producing daily “budget” outlining the next day’s local news coverage
- Collaborated with managing editor, editorial page editor and senior columnist to determine story play and prominence.

**State Political Reporter, November 1993 to July 1995**

- Three legislative sessions in Juneau.
- Worked independently in competitive, fast-paced environment, facing intense deadlines.
- Ferreted out newsworthy stories for Fairbanks readers, sometimes on sensitive topics, in committee hearings and floor sessions of the Senate and House.
- Attended Capitol news conferences held by legislators, administrative staff and governors, and wrote relevant stories specific to the Fairbanks and statewide audience.
- Wrote breaking, in-depth and investigative pieces on a massive timber proposal; the relationship between lawmakers and lobbyists; university funding; a legislative aide caught double dipping; and many other issues.
- Served as News-Miner’s lead reporter in 1994 gubernatorial election.

- Covered numerous state House and Senate races in the Interior.
- Tracked and analyzed campaign spending reports, political advertisements and commercials.
- Produced profiles, breaking campaign stories, in-depth “issue” pieces, and stories explaining pros and cons of various ballot measures.
- Coordinated candidate questionnaires—created questions, mailed out letters, tracked responses, and oversaw production and publication in a spreadsheet format for voters to easily compare candidate positions.
- Tracked and wrote about state issues during legislative interim and non-campaign season.
- Represented the News-Miner on radio and television productions, including KTOO’s “120 Days”; and KUAC’s candidate sessions.

**Borough Reporter, August 1995 to October 1999**

- Coordinated the News-Miner’s coverage of borough government and local politics, including mayoral and assembly elections; school bond elections; assembly meetings; local zoning and service area disputes; animal control and cruelty cases; property taxes; annual budgets; gas line proposals; and numerous other local issues.
- Prolific writer, producing at least one story daily, as well as various features both on and off assigned beats.

**Special Projects**

- Produced “Children in a Working World,” a three-part series on child-care problems and successes, published in July 1998. The series won a national award from the Annie E. Casey Foundation, as well as state and regional press awards
  - Spent three months researching, interviewing and writing numerous articles for the package, which included three stories daily throughout the series as well as photos and graphics.
- “The Invisible Child,” a three-part series on coping with miscarriage, was published in October 1995. The series won state and regional press awards.
  - Interviewed national experts, researched current science, highlighted local families and resources. The series included three stories daily, along with graphics and photos.
- Covered two Yukon Quest International Sled Dog Races, start to finish, filing three to four stories daily from remote locations in often rustic conditions; spent one week with truckers on the Dalton Highway “Haul Road” during one of the worst winter

storms in recent memory, and filed stories along the way; covered the “mystery” surrounding the disappearance of Joe Vogler, founder of the Alaskan Independence Party; wrote stories about a bid by a group of sovereign-minded North Pole residents to secede from the Fairbanks North Star Borough.

**Staff writer, Juneau Empire, January 1990 to July 1992**

- Business reporter---covered tourism, mining, Native corporations, aviation industry, timber and fishing. Notable assignments included an interminable debate about the reopening of the Alaska-Juneau gold mine; a shareholder revolt within Sealaska Corp.; and MarkAir’s bungled attempt to penetrate the Juneau market. Responsible for weekly “Money” feature.
- Neighbors editor—Responsible for content, layout, design and editing of Neighbors page, a weekly page devoted to community news and events about clubs, organizations, weddings and fundraisers.

**Other Publications**

Articles: published in New York Newsday, The New York Times, Alaska Magazine, Mushing Magazine, Alaska Southeaster, Alaska Business Monthly, Info-Juno and Ruralite.

Books: Essayist in “Juneau Yesterday and Today,” published by Alaska Geographic Society, 2003; contributor, Frommer’s Alaska, 2002 and 2004; Essayist, “Our Alaska-Personal Stories about Life in the North,” published by Epicenter Press, April 2001; and Editor, “Best Places Alaska, Third Edition,” published by Sasquatch Books, June 2003.

Production assistant: “City Confidential,” produced by A&E Television Network, September 1999, Joe Vogler Mystery.

**Education**

Master of Arts, Northern Studies, University of Alaska Fairbanks, 2011  
Bachelor of Arts, Journalism, University of Montana, 1989

**Affiliations**

Public Relations Society of America  
Council for the Advancement and Support of Education  
Society of Professional Journalists  
Alaska Press Club  
Northern Alaska Environmental Center  
Fairbanks Rotary

**References**

Carla Beam, 907/786-1359  
Wendy Redman, 907/687-5043  
Mark Hamilton, 907/322-0829  
Larry Persily, 907/351-8276

## **Kate Ripley resume - awards of note**

### **National Marketing Awards, UA Public Affairs**

2009 - Service Industry Advertising Awards (SIAA)

- Bronze, Total Ad Campaign, "Do Something Major"

2009 - Admissions Advertising Awards

- Silver, Total Ad Campaign, "Do Something Major"
- Bronze, Direct Mail Advertising, "Career Transformers"

2008 – Admissions Advertising Awards

- Best of Show, "Choices"
- Gold, TV Ad/Series, "Choices"
- Gold, Total Ad Campaign, "Choices"

2007 – Admissions Advertising Awards

- Gold, Newspaper/Single Ad, "Reel World"
- Silver, TV Ad/Series, "Reel World"
- Bronze, Total Ad Campaign, "Reel World"

2007 – Council for Advancement & Support of Education Circle of Excellence Award

- Gold, Total Ad Campaign, "Reel World"
- Silver, Individual Ad, "Reel World"
- Silver, Electronic Media—PSAs and Commercial Spots, "Reel World"

2005 – Admissions Advertising Awards

- Gold, TV Ad/Single Ad, "Momentum"
- Gold, TV ad/Series, "Momentum"
- Silver, Total Ad Campaign, "Momentum"

### **Regional Marketing Awards, UA Public Affairs**

2013 - Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Alaska Chapter

- Second Place, Integrated Marketing, "Stay on TRACK Campaign"
- Third Place, UA Foundation Annual Report, "Journeys"

2010 – Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Alaska Chapter

- First Place, UA Foundation Annual Report, "Seeds of Promise"

### **National Journalism Awards-Kate Ripley**

- Annie E. Casey Foundation, Casey Journalism Center for Children and Families, 1999 first-place winner for "Children in a Working World" series.
- National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association, one of five national honor awards, 1995, for "The Pride Inside," a feature story about the challenges and acceptance of gay and lesbian people living in Fairbanks.

### **Regional and State Journalism Awards-Kate Ripley**

- 1998, First Place, Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) best consumer news, "Children in a Working World"; Second Place, SPJ food, fashion and home, "Sense of Soap"
- 1997, Second Place, SPJ sports news, "Dead Dogs"
- 1996, First Place, SPJ health issues, "The Invisible Child"; Second Place, SPJ science reporting, "On Trail of Silent Killer"
- 1995, First Place, SPJ social issues, "The Pride Inside"
- 1994, Second Place, Alaska Press Club (APC) crime/courts reporting, "Disorder in Court"
- 1992, First Place, APC best series, "Hardrock Decisions: Alaska-Juneau Mine Series"; Second Place, APC sports feature, "One of a Kind"





MEMORANDUM

To: City Council Members  
From: John Eberhart, City Mayor *for Mayor Eberhart*  
Subject: Request for Concurrence – Fairbanks Diversity Council  
Date: June 2, 2014

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On March 10, 2014 the Council adopted Ordinance No. 5939, as Amended, creating a Fairbanks Diversity Council (FDC). The ordinance reads:

*The FDC shall be composed of volunteer citizens who shall be residents or employees of the City of Fairbanks or Fairbanks North Star Borough, plus, as non-voting members, the City Mayor, a City Council Member and the City Human Resources Director.*

*The FDC shall include 15 public voting members broadly selected to represent the diverse people of Fairbanks. Twelve members, at least eight of whom must be residents of the City of Fairbanks, shall be appointed by the City Mayor subject to the approval of the City Council. Three members shall be appointed by the Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly.*

I have selected one City Council Member and 12 applicants to fill all City-appointed seats to the Diversity Council. The remaining applicants will be sent to the Fairbanks North Star Borough for consideration of appointment by Mayor Hopkins.

I request your concurrence to the **appointment** of the following new members:

- |         |                     |                               |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Seat A: | Ms. Ana Richards    | Term to expire: June 30, 2017 |
| Seat B: | Ms. Shirley Lee     | Term to expire: June 30, 2017 |
| Seat C: | Ms. Montean Jackson | Term to expire: June 30, 2017 |
| Seat D: | Ms. June Rogers     | Term to expire: June 30, 2017 |
| Seat E: | Mr. Michael Fitch   | Term to expire: June 30, 2016 |
| Seat F: | Mr. Gary Grant      | Term to expire: June 30, 2016 |
| Seat G: | Ms. Doris Lenahan   | Term to expire: June 30, 2016 |
| Seat H: | Mr. Ernest Shipman  | Term to expire: June 30, 2016 |
| Seat I: | Ms. Kathleen Wattum | Term to expire: June 30, 2015 |

Seat J:	Mr. Douglas Toelle	Term to expire: June 30, 2015
Seat K:	Ms. Jo Ann Borges	Term to expire: June 30, 2015
Seat L:	Ms. Rita Davis	Term to expire: June 30, 2015
Council Member:	Mr. Chris Anderson	Term will expire with public office

All applications and resumes (if applicable) are attached.


Thank you.




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# FAIRBANKS DIVERSITY COUNCIL




## BOARD DETAILS

 **OVERVIEW**

-  **SIZE** 18 Seats
-  **TERM LENGTH** 3 Years
-  **TERM LIMIT** N/A

The purpose of the Fairbanks Diversity Council (FDC) is to provide a citizens' forum to the City Council and the Borough Assembly, provide advice and recommendations to promote equal opportunity for all members of the public, serve as a diversity advisory board, and recommend adoption of a Diversity Action Plan.

 **CONTACT**

-  Office of the City Clerk
-  (907) 459-6771
-  [cityclerk@ci.fairbanks.ak.us](mailto:cityclerk@ci.fairbanks.ak.us)

 **EMAIL THE COMMISSION MEMBERS**

N/A

 **DETAILS**

**BOARD/COMMISSION CHARACTERISTICS**

The FDC will consist of 15 voting members, 12 of which will be appointed by the City Mayor and subject to approval by the City Council. Eight of those 12 members must be residents of the City of Fairbanks. Three of the voting members will be appointed by the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Borough Assembly. The City Mayor shall serve as non-voting Chairperson. A Vice-Chairperson shall be appointed by the City Mayor from the membership, subject to the approval of the FDC. The Vice-Chairperson's term shall be for three years. No person shall serve more than two full consecutive terms as Vice-Chairperson. The FDC may organize committees and adopt administrative rules and procedures to accomplish its purposes.

**MEETINGS**

A quorum shall be necessary to conduct a meeting. A quorum shall consist of eight public voting members of the FDC. The business of the FDC shall be transacted by a majority vote of voting members present after a quorum is established. All meetings shall be held, and notices and agendas shall be posted, in compliance with the Alaska Open Meetings Act. Minutes of FDC proceedings shall be kept and filed in accordance with applicable laws dealing with public records. In all matters of parliamentary procedure not covered by rules and procedures adopted under Ordinance No. 5939, the current version of Robert's Rules of Order will govern. The FDC shall keep permanent records or minutes of all meetings. The minutes shall promptly be filed in the office of the City Clerk and shall be open to public inspection. The City Clerk shall supply the FDC with administrative support.

**JOINT COMMISSION DETAILS**

The FDC shall include 15 public voting members broadly selected to represent the diverse people of Fairbanks. Twelve members, at least eight of whom must be residents of the City of Fairbanks, shall be appointed by the City Mayor subject to the approval of the City Council. Three members shall be appointed by the Fairbanks North Star Borough Mayor subject to the approval of the Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly.