

**Anchorage Assembly
2023 Workplan - Progress Tracker**

TOP PRIORITIES			
Goal	Progress To-Date	Next Steps	Champion
Housing initiative: set a long-term housing vision, streamline codes & processes, spur innovative attainable housing	See Economic Development section		
Port of Alaska Modernization: support rapid timeline that launches Phase II construction by summer 2024	See Infrastructure section		
Monitor MOA Financial Health: build reserve funds and recover FEMA reimbursements	See Economic Development section		
Public Health and Safety: fund public safety & mental health services; support Crisis Now model	See Public Safety section		
Assembly Business: conduct the business of the city with an increasingly open, accessible and transparent process	See Assembly Business section		

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Economic Development			
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Stimulate economic development: incentivize new businesses and entrepreneurship, streamline outdoor seating alcohol licensing, expand tax abatement and Reinvestment Focus Areas (RFAs) citywide, address workforce issues, support MOA infrastructure grants, support the work of the Roadmap to a Vital and Safe Anchorage			
Identify and address barriers in municipal processes: require process flow charts in AOs, create Navigator Program for building permits, rewrite Title 7 to clean up spending and contracting procedures			
Build Municipality’s reserve and 181 building funds & ensure recovery of FEMA reimbursements			
Shift to two-year cycle for MOA marijuana licenses and align with state cycle			
Leverage MOA resources for matching grants to catalyze long-lasting community investment			
Pursue options for Assembly to support MOA departments to secure federal grants			

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Public Safety			
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Expand focus on mental and behavioral health issues: continue investment in Mobile Crisis Team and Crisis Now framework by partnering with agencies to establish stabilization centers and a crisis call center			
Continue to assist APD and AFD Academies with recruitment and retention with a focus on diversifying the workforce			
Continue to educate the community on public safety trends through reports at the Public Safety Committee meetings; share the reports more widely with the community			
Continue wildfire mitigation and response efforts; work with Congressional delegation to secure federal funds			
Research hemp regulations			

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Housing			
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Complete projects: 3rd party inspection code changes; HLB and Real Estate land disposals			
Host a Housing Summit and collect community input to develop a long-term housing vision			
Introduce new projects: expedite permitting during peak season, review minimum lot sizes, expand roles of community land trusts, create catalog of pre-approved plans, reclassify three & fourplexes as residential			

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Homelessness			
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Participate in Anchored Home update: maintain focus on housing as the solution to homelessness and data-driven decision-making			
Work with partners to fund projects consistent with Anchored Home plan; promote community engagement with the work			
Close the Sullivan Arena mass care shelter once suitable alternatives are developed; successfully demobilize the emergency shelter plan			

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Assembly Business			
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Elevate public discourse by being accessible, transparent and civil			
Serve as stewards of municipal budget, elections, charter and code; ensure co-equal branches of local government; conduct thorough oversight of municipal business			
Join people together to solve local programs			
Help residents engage in local government through communication and outreach			
Committee updates: create Transportation committee; add HLB & snow removal to Enterprise & Utilities; add Purchasing to Budget & Finance; schedule AKDOT briefings			
Monitor community council boundary update			
Update process to approve bond propositions earlier in the year			

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Quality of Life			
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Hold State of Alaska accountable to increase Base Student Allocation and address inequities in Anchorage funding formula			
Invest in housing, parks and trails to make sure we have a city where people want to live, work and play			
Support development of trail corridors-connect existing trails; carry out Project Anchorage task force recommendations			
Placemaking on urban trails - light, quick, cheap pilot projects and pop-ups			
Continue investment in community mental health, including mobile intervention teams			
Continue to provide funding for trail connectivitymuni-wide and encourage greater levels of walkability			

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Infrastructure			
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Maximize federal infrastructure funding for municipal projects			
Continue advocacy for Port renovation funds			
Chugach State Park investments: road access & trail upgrades, trailhead facilities			
Support a long-range transportation plan			
Complete an inventory of easements			
Create Assembly Transportation committee			
Identify and support district priorities for transportation projects and AMATS funding			
Secure local control of 5th & 6th Avenues			
Prioritize pedestrian safety and access in the legislative program			
Support a long-range transportation plan			
Continue Safe Routes to Schools project with ASD; advocate for raised crosswalks at priority crossing zones			