MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
Assembly Budget/Finance
Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting
HANDOUT

Assembly Vice Chair Zaletel, Co-Chair                  Assembly Member Brawley, Co-Chair

Municipal Light & Power (ML&P) Action Items to Address

1. Alaska Center for Treatment: requirement to spend $15M total on capital expenditures
2. Fix Golden Lion prior year operating expenditures with appropriate fund source
3. PERS (pension) liability: address Muni’s responsibility for remaining PERS liability
4. Worker’s Comp: address Muni’s responsibility for remaining WC liability
5. Accounting and other close-out paperwork

Notes from OMB Director Sharon Lechner

1. Alaska Center for Treatment: requirement to spend $15M total on capital expenditures; including possible impacts of defaulting on this requirement if the requirement is not met
2. Fix Golden Lion prior year operating expenditures with appropriate fund source
3. Discuss / propose alternative treatment to annual (ML&P) PERS liability to SOA that would avoid $1m+ annual hits to general gov’t op budget and which would comply with charter and voter approved ML&P sale
4. Worker’s Comp / GL:
   a. Calculate true-up correction (for historic under-charging of annual WC / GL premiums) for all under-charged entities, including ML&P. Note that this item will almost certainly require a funding source (supplemental appropriation) for the non-ML&P entities’ allocations
   b. Discuss methodology change (formula improvement) to the historic calculation approach so that WC / GL deficits don’t immediately start to build again
   c. Discuss ML&P’s share of this deficit that was inadvertently omitted from the original ML&P appropriations
5. Accounting and other close-out paperwork
6. Discuss required processes for above items. For instance, would #3 require an AO? Would #4 require a third ML&P appropriation (and if so, should that third appropriation include reference to #3****)?

*** Re: #3, the ML&P appropriations approved the first PERS payments but were silent on the outstanding PERS debt and subsequent payment obligations.

Telephonic participation – conference bridge (907) 273-5190, participant code 721227#

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