

2025 PRIORITIES

HOUSING ACTION

communicate the Assembly's housing vision, streamline codes and processes, and spur innovative attainable housing

ENERGY, INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORTATION

support infrastructure upgrades and affordable energy; improve road safety and ADA compliance; support Port of Alaska Modernization Project

- PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE

fund public safety, mental health & Crisis Now model; invest in outdoor and public spaces; prioritize neighborhood safety

GOOD GOVERNMENT

monitor service delivery to ensure high quality municipal operations, support for MOA workforce & secure MOA's fiscal future

2025 PROJECTS

Oct. 2025





= Complete = In Progress

HOUSING ACTION

Committees: CEDC & Housing & Homelessness

- Pause and update multifamily residential **design standards** to encourage more housing
- Update code for housing tax incentives
- Support Building Services through Title 23/IBC updates to encourage more alternatives
- Continue to make it easier to re-use/update **buildings** by simplifying non-conformity issues
- Work with ASD, MOA Real Estate and HLB to develop more housing options on MOA lands
- Encourage an RFP for housing development at **Federal Archives site**

Committees: Housing & Homelessness

Update B-3 mixed use zone for more housing

- Work with MOA Real Estate and partners to **find** funds for new housing & demolition of abandoned buildings
- Develop **pre-approved ADU design** program
- **Activate zoning in Transit-Supportive Development Corridors** for mixed-use infill development
- Pass improvements/fixes to **Site Access code** section in Title 21 after working group process
- Complete the Targeted Plan Review for the **Anchorage Comprehensive Plan**

HOMELESSNESS **ASSEMBLY BUSINESS**

Committees: Rules, Ethics & Elections

- Host community summit on homelessness Support community members working to develop a pilot for a work/living skills program for people experiencing homelessness
- **Rethink the idea of warming centers** as a homelessness response to a community-wide response
- Improve MOA response to illegal camping in parks and vehicles
- Continue to track municipal appropriations for housing and ensure a balance of funding between prevention, housing and shelter
- Secure a hotel conversion to **continue progress** towards reducing unsheltered population

- Ensure smooth transition with a large class of **new members** after April election
- Continue leadership training and succession planning to prepare Members for leadership roles
- **Develop more manageable workload** by resetting relationship with Administration and being mindful of number of meetings and commitments
- Continue to strengthen and protect Anchorage **election** system
- Continue to develop Assembly Aide and Youth Representative programs, and onboard a third Assembly attorney
- Continue to tie workplan into committee **structure** for a seamless flow for work and review
- Secure three+ MOA requests to state legislature

GOOD GOVERNMENT

Committees: Budget & Finance, Quality MOA Services

- Investigate MOA Intergovernmental Charges (IGCs) to create more efficient budgeting
- Launch community-wide conversation and education on **fiscal future of Anchorage**
- **Explore Rank Choice Voting** system
- Support 50th Anniversary of MOA unification
- Build MOA workforce pipeline, including expand Youth Employment in Parks across departments
- Implement actions from the **findings of the** Animal Control strategic plan when it is released
- Update MOA public records production process

PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE

Committees: Public Health & Safety

- Properties Develop a more comprehensive approach to community involvement in policing
- Reinvigorate TED plan for a grocery store and other services at Tudor/Elmore
- Continue AFD collaboration on Wildfire safety
- Develop funding streams for Girdwood and **Chugiak-Eagle River cemeteries**
- Develop program for licensing and inspections of massage establishments
- Monitor and encourage RFP from Health Department for **Alaska Center for Treatment**
- Identify steps needed to complete Crisis Now continuum with AFD and APD

Support upgrade of Chugiak Senior Center

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Committees: CEDC, IEUOC

- Complete Chugiak-Eagle River, Girdwood and Midtown comprehensive plans
- Resolution of support a **fast-track education** certificate program at UAA
- Bring Project Anchorage sales tax proposal to the ballot
- Update Marijuana licensing code
- Investigate strategies, tax updates and code changes to support small business, creative and nightlife and tourism economies
- Expand support for Food Security Initiatives

INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORTATION

Committees: IEUOC, Transportation

- Continue to pursue full restoration of Eklutna River and explore options for Pumped Storage Hydro
- Support Administration in **securing contractor** for Terminal 1 construction at the Port
- Approve six-year program (CIP) for Chugach State Park Access (CASA) bond
- Integrate LRSAs and RRSAs into annual community council capital project survey
- Reinvigorate discussions on Stormwater Utility
- Continue to promote safe streets through Vision Zero and street safety interventions
- Continue to **track energy issues** and support the Administration, utilities and community partners on solutions and education

ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS

Christopher Constant, Chair · Meg Zaletel, Vice Chair

Anna Brawley · Karen Bronga · Zac Johnson · Mark Littlefield · George Martinez Scott Myers · Kameron Perez-Verdia · Felix Rivera · Randy Sulte · Daniel Volland



2025 PROGRESS REPORT

2024 Accomplishments continued

PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE

Committees: Public Health & Safety

- Made the Mobile Crisis Team permanent (AO 2024-113) and funded 24-7 service
- Added body worn cameras to Municipal Use of Surveillance Technologies (AO 2024-69)
- Passed legislation, pursued legal strategies, and conducted advocacy and education to fully restore the Eklutna River, including a landmark joint action with the Native Village of Eklutna (Joint Resolution 2024-001)
- Voters approved Chugach State Park Access Service Areas and Park Bonds
- Assembly-allocated ARPA funds enabled completion of Coastal Trail Northern Extension in Chugiak, Mountain View Field House groundbreaking, Equity Center, Girdwood Master Plan, vacant & abandoned property tear downs and AFD wildfire mitigation work
- Passed a requirement for mandatory ID checks at all alcohol-serving establishments (AO 2024-101)
- Passed resolutions calling on MOA to improve animal care practices, calling on state to restrict sale of unregulated diet pills and supplements to youth, and creating the Access for Youth Initiative
- Negotiated a deal to preserve access to the Small Boat Harbor
- Conducted an Areawide Public Restroom Study to identify areas in need of public restrooms
- Officially named Chitose Park on Sand Lake to honor our sister city in Japan

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Committees: Rules, Ethics & Elections

- Increased engagement in local government:
 Held City Nerd Nites, Food for Thought and
 Assembly 101 trainings, made 20+ community
 presentations, hosted Assembly Energy Retreat
- Met regularly with Congressional Delegation and Anchorage Delegation of the Legislature
- Upgraded Assembly Chambers A/V with new streaming graphics and intermission music
- **Secured state legislative grants** for district capital projects and homeless shelter
- Established Legislative branch records and information mgmt program (AO 2024-124)
- Reorganized Assembly committee structure to better align with municipal departments

QUALITY MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Committee: Budget & Finance, Quality MOA Services

- Funded \$280K for employee retention initiatives: equipment for telework, AFD wellness pilot program, and supervisor training through the Office of Equity and Inclusion
- Completed employee survey and initial recommendations for retention & recruitment
- Developed a strategic plan for equitable use of alcohol tax funding
- Title 28 revision: enhance the security and efficiency of ballot return process, allow use of secure portal for electronic ballot transmittal, and empower Municipal Prosecutor to charge and prosecute election offenses
- Completed audit of 2022 MOA financials

2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

Committees: CEDC & Housing & Homelessness

- Passed HOME Initiative (AO 2023-87) to allow 'Two-Family Dwellings' in every residential zone
- Required hosting planforms to submit more detailed data to better track STRs (AO 2024-81(S), AA)
- Developed process for **third party review for commercial development** (AO 2023-136(S), As Amended)
- **Reduce hurdles for rehabbing old buildings** by removing nonconformity fees (AO 2024-15)
- Relaxed open space requirements to **make new multi-family housing more affordable** (AO 2024-16)
- Provided \$1.3M to the Anchorage Affordable Housing and Land Trust for a **pilot project to rehab vacant** and abandoned buildings for housing
- Removed duplication of requirements for Planned Unit Developments (PUDs) (AO 2024-83(S), AA)
- Removed barriers to ADU development by waiving non-conformity issues (AO 2024-376)
- **Updated transit-supportive corridors** for tax incentives for multi-family housing (AO 2024-111)
- **Ended future use of special limitations** to create transparency for housing development (AO 2024-99)
- Funded Emergency Cold Weather Shelter for 2024-25 and some permanent operating funds
- Assembly-allocated **ARPA funds enabled the opening of new housing**: Providence's Q'et'en Qenq'a for ages 55+ experiencing homelessness and Cook Inlet Housing Authority's Ch'bala Corners II
- Funded **year-round shelter at the 56th Avenue Shelter**, including obtaining \$4M state legislative grant

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Committees: CEDC, IEUOC

- Major advancements on Port Modernization: determined design concepts for terminals and approved tariff surcharge increase for construction
- Funded the first year of an online bidding system for MOA contracts
- Convened community group to plan start up of the Anchorage Child Care and Early Education Fund, including a new board to oversee funding
- Changed code and provided funding for In Our Backyard tiny home pilot project
- Funded tear downs of vacant and abandoned buildings to repurpose for housing & other uses

INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORTATION

Committees: IEUOC, Transportation

- **Held snow removal special meeting** with the Administration in August to plan for the season
- Launched Pedestrian Safety Campaign: October Pedestrian Safety Month and pressure on AKDOT to improve pedestrian safety on state roads
- Supported downtown protected bike lane pilot project, codified e-bike & e-scooter regulations, and opened door to new bike businesses
- Supported funding for repairs at Solid Waste Services to repair from a fire in landfill
- Confirmed a director and budget to activate the Anchorage Hydropower utility
- Increased traffic calming to \$1M in bond

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