



Municipality of Anchorage

Watershed & Natural Resources Advisory Commission

City Hall, Room 525
632 West 6th Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska

ACTION SUMMARY

12:00 Noon
Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Regular Meeting

I. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present: Tamás Deák
Brett Jokela
Holly Kent
Paul McLarnon
David Nyman, Chair
Stephanie Quinn-Davidson, Vice Chair
Rick Sinnott
Simon Wigren

One Vacancy

Staff: Thede Tobish, Senior Planner, Planning Department, Long-Range Planning Division

Guests: Gino Graziano, UAF Cooperative Extension Service, Anchorage Outreach Center
Tim Stallard, Anchorage Park Foundation, Invasive Plant Program
Hans Thompson, South Addition citizen

II. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:04 p.m.

III. ACTION SUMMARY

A. Regular Meeting of February 27, 2019

Commissioner Quinn-Davidson moved to approve the February 27, 2019 minutes as written. *Commissioner Deák* seconded.

Commissioners corrected several typos on the draft minutes:

- On page 1, Guests: change Janet Nyman to Janice Nyman.
- On page 2, V.A., New Business, first paragraph, beginning of seventh line: delete “I” after 2019.
- On page 3, IV.A, Old Business, fourth paragraph, last line: change 15 feet to 150 feet.

The minutes for the February 27, 2019 Regular Meeting were approved as amended above.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. WNRC Case No. 2019-01, Use of Herbicide on Bird Cherry along Chester Creek

Commissioner Jokela moved to adopt draft WNRC Resolution No. 2019-01. *Commissioner Quinn-Davidson* seconded.

The Chair opened up discussion of the draft Resolution on the use of herbicides to eradicate mayday trees within 150 feet of creeks and particularly Chester Creek, as petitioned by Hans Thompson and members of the Anchorage Parks Foundation Invasive Plant Program. The draft was adjusted for more orderly arrangement of several *whereas* clauses and for wording clarifications.

Commissioner Jokela moved to table the original motion about WNRC Resolution No. 2019-01 for further discussion of the accompanying report. *Commissioner Deák* seconded.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Kent moved to have the Commission formerly endorse and adopt the report prepared by Commissioner Sinnott entitled “Using Herbicides to Control or Eradicate Mayday Trees in Anchorage Parks and Greenbelts” and include it as a reference in the resolution. *Commissioner Jokela* seconded.

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion and refinements of the draft Resolution No. 2019-01, the original motion to adopt was brought up for approval with the adjustments and formal amendment to add the reference to the report written for the Commission by Commissioner Sinnott.

WNRC Resolution 2019-01 was approved unanimously as amended.

B. WNRC Case No. 2015-02, Bears-Garbage Conflicts – Solid Waste, Garbage Proposed Standards, New Concepts

The Chair requested that staff invite a municipal representative to the April 24 meeting to present and discuss the Municipality’s draft revised garbage ordinance. There was no additional action.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Persons to Be Heard (none)

VI. OTHER BUSINESS/STAFF REPORT

The Chair asked that staff convey updates to the Commission on the Parks and Recreation Department's Russian Jack Park master plan project.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Quinn-Davidson moved to adjourn. *Commissioner Deák* seconded.

The motion passed without objection.

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.