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GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Mike Edgington & Briana Sullivan, Co-Chairs
Jennifer Wingard, Amanda Sassi, Guy Wade

September 27, 2022
GBOS Special Meeting
Re: Continuation of September Regular Meeting
Minutes Final
5:00 p.m. via Microsoft Teams & Girdwood Community Room

This hybrid meeting is taking place via Microsoft Teams & at the Girdwood Community Room, 250 Egloff Rd:

The Girdwood Board of Supervisors, its committees, and subcommittees are subject to the Alaska Open Meetings Act as found in Alaska Statute 44.62.310 and Anchorage Municipal Code 1.25 - Public Meetings.

The Girdwood Board of Supervisors operates under the Girdwood Public Meetings Standards of Conduct.

Call to Order 5:00 p.m. Briana Sullivan, Co-Chair

Attending are Briana Sullivan (BS) Guy Wade (GW), Jennifer Wingard (JW), and Mike Edgington (ME)
Amanda Sassi is excused.

Disclosures of Mike Edgington, Guy Wade, Jennifer Wingard and Briana Sullivan are identical to those expressed at the September Regular meeting. No substantive conflict is found for any.

Agenda Revisions and Approval

Sept 27, 2022 Special Meeting RE Continuation of September Regular meeting agenda approved ME/GW Assent vote

Announcements:

- GVSA Non-profit Recreation Grant Presentations meeting will be held WED Oct 5 at 7PM.

Introductions, Presentations and Reports:

1. Update of housing developments in Girdwood, including Holtan Hills
HLBAC meeting last week was well-attended by Girdwood residents and at least 30 provided comment. The only item on the agenda was disposal of the tracts for Holtan Hills Development. HLBAC heard comments and had some discussion, including making amendments to the proposed draft resolution under their consideration. HLBAC postponed decision to their next meeting, scheduled for October 27. Since then, a work session has been scheduled for October 13 at 11:30AM. Agenda for this work session has not been published yet. Platting action will not occur until HLBAC has voted on this item.

Update from the Holtan Hills Housing Advisory Committee: HHHAC members attended the HLBAC meeting and provided comment officially through Dave Hamre. Other members also spoke. Next HHHAC meeting is scheduled for WED Sept 28. Sam Daniel and Brooke Lavender have a meeting scheduled on THU Sept 29 with Adam Trombley and Connie Yoshimura to discuss ways that the project can be amended to address housing concerns of the community.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. Follow-up on Alyeska Highway Interchange. Review and discuss letter to be drafted by GBOS to DOT (Jennifer Wingard) Jennifer Wingard and Mike Edgington met with DOT earlier today. The meeting was a good exchange of ideas and information. DOT will review their proposed plan that may be more along the lines of the "diamond" concept, which will achieve a divided highway, which is part of a long-term highway need. USFS and DOT held a team meeting last week, which also included the Alaska Railroad. Group discussed connectivity to the Lower Iditarod National Historic Trail as part of the project. Positive support with the Railroad regarding the change of highway alignment currently in the plan.

GBOS discusses that this item will return in the future for additional consideration, at which time they hope to be able to provide support for a revised project. DOT anticipates going to Planning and Zoning in December

Motion:

GBOS moves to postpone action on this item to the GBOS regular meeting in October.

Motion by Mike Edgington, 2nd by Jennifer Wingard

Assent vote

Motion carries

2. GTC request for clarification of the GBOS Jan 31 deadline for the Girdwood Trails Plan.(Briana Sullivan)

Group reviews the questions posed by GTC and considers responses.

It is not pragmatic to complete revision and full public review by Jan 31 deadline.

Full public review if there are relatively few changes to the original Redline Plan may not be necessary, an abbreviated review of just the changes to the plan may be in order and could be accomplished more quickly.

GBOS Shifts deadline date to meet the GTC regular meeting schedule, the Candidate Plan deadline is on or before Tuesday, Feb 7, 2023.Tasks below are to be completed on or before that deadline:

- All revisions recommended in Jan 2022 are reviewed by GTC.
- Revisions are provided to contractor and updated version is drafted by contractor.
- Review by GVSA manager and contractor of Candidate Draft with edits made for coherence and consistency.
- GTC vote on the Candidate Plan as presented.

Motion:

GBOS moves to have GTC complete amendments revision process, have staff and contractor incorporate them into a Candidate Draft, and staff and contractor edit document for coherence and consistency on or before the GTC Feb 7 2023 Regular meeting,

Motion by Mike Edgington, 2nd by Jennifer Wingard

Roll call vote, 4 in favor, 0 opposed

Motion carries

Answers to the other two questions will be determined once the plan that comes out of the current GTC process can be evaluated and compared to the existing Redline plan.

3. Review GVSA non-profit recreation grants and funding requests.

GVSA grant funds are requested by Little Bears Playhouse, Challenge Alaska, Glacier Valley Transit, Girdwood Art Institute, Girdwood Community Club for a total of \$41,475. \$35,000 has been budgeted for grantees to split. Four Valleys Community School has applied for \$25,000 and is hard-funded in the GVSA budget.

Oct 5 the grantees will present their programs and funding requests to GBOS.. Evaluation forms and grant applications will be provided to GBOS members as the meeting packet for Oct 5 meeting. Evaluation forms must be turned in following the GBOS Oct 17 Regular.

The vote on funding amounts will occur at that meeting.

Guy Wade notes that he will not be able to attend in person on Oct 5.

Amanda Sassi is out of country and will not be able to attend, but will review recording.

NEW BUSINESS:

4. Traffic calming measures for Timberline Dr. and Mt. Hood.

Service Area Manager can only install temporary signs for things like "no event parking". Fixed signs that are enforceable by Whittier PD must be approved by MOA Traffic Dept. Speed bumps cannot be used on gravel roads as they can become dislodged and cause damage. Traffic Department has a system for review of traffic calming requests, which includes:

- Formal request for review (which has been made)
- Discussion/request at community council
- Traffic Department install strips to study traffic volume and speed on subject roads
- Traffic Department evaluate data (if yes, move on to next step, if no, re-evaluate in future)
- If data supports traffic calming, Traffic Dept makes recommendations for traffic calming.

Regarding Alyeska Highway and other state roads, Kyle is working with DOT on purchase of portable radar flashing signs.

5. Review Public Safety contract

Contract has been reviewed by WPD and GVSA manager and recommendations have been made within the contract document shared at this meeting. Main changes are creating a 3 year contract with 1 2-year renewal. Increase of 12% upon signing and then flat cost for the first 3 years. Increase of 8% if the renewal is opted for. No CPI increase. Most of the other changes are clerical. WPD will update their 911 system description and has provided an updated budget page. This will be going to MOA and Whittier Legal for amendments and needs to be approved by the Assembly and Whittier Town Council before end of December.

6. **Agenda Item LUC 2209-05:** 2023 Liquor License Renewals in Girdwood. To request legislative public hearing of any licenses, request must be made by resolution no later than October 15, 2022. If no Legislative public hearing is requested, request for GBOS Letter of Non-Objection to 2023 Liquor License renewals.

No comments received so far to Girdwood renewals in 2023.

7. Discuss action needed to allow GBOS power to raise funds for housing and Economic Stability (Mike Edgington)

Mike Edgington prepared documents in the meeting packet to introduce this idea, which is based on a recommendation within the Crow Creek Neighborhood Plan. This would allow GVSA to use local taxes for studies and concept plans to focus on Housing and Economic Stability within Girdwood. The proposal is to add this to the propositions in the spring 2023 election.

Jennifer Wingard recommends that the recommendation come through perhaps HHHAC and Land Use, rather than solely through GBOS.

Motion to extend meeting by 15 minutes by Mike Edgington, 2nd by Jennifer Wingard Assent vote

8. Girdwood Cemetery request for GBOS Resolution of Support for Cemetery proposition on the Spring Municipal Ballot. (Tommy O'Malley)

Cemetery committee is ready to propose a bond for the 2023 Areawide bond for cemetery construction. Tommy and Briana Sullivan to work on draft resolution language for the GBOS to consider at their next meeting.

9. Discuss MOA GBOS Quarterly Meeting agenda. Meeting is scheduled for Oct 24 at 4PM via teams. In-person attendance at the Girdwood Community room.

Items for the agenda so far are:

Public Safety Contract

Holtan Hills – legality question

GVSA proposition to add power for Housing and Economic Stability

Bonding 2023: Cemetery Construction

Fire Department discussion about MOA rebalancing EMS/Fire Service funding areawide will be addressed separately by Kyle.

REPORTS:

10. Committee & Subcommittee Reports (see packet)

Briana Sullivan updates that following the GBOS Review of the Girdwood Valley Service Area Manager, she received information that a separate letter should be addressed to the Director of Labor Relations specifically discussing the wage increase. She has drafted a letter and GBOS members attending will sign the letter.

PSAC Report

Girdwood Trails Committee Report

LUC Report

Housing Working Group Report

11. Other reports (see packet)

APL Gerrish Library Report

Girdwood Service Area Report

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Action Item Updates as assigned:

Request for GBOS/LUC Joint meeting (1 held of 2 required in 2022):

Request for GBOS/GFR Joint meeting (0 held of 2 required in 2022):

Request for Executive Session:

Other:

Adjourn 7:30PM