

# Girdwood Housing and Economic Committee

**May 31, 2023  
Kickoff Meeting  
Minutes Final**

**12:00 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:

This Advisory Committee is subject to the Alaska Open Meetings Act as found in Alaska Statute 44.62.310 and Anchorage Municipal Code 1.25 - Public Meetings.

All committees of the GBOS operate under the Girdwood Public Meetings Standards of Conduct.

Call to Order 12:00 p.m.

Attending are: Brooke Lavender, Matt Schechter, Erin Eker, Tim Cabana, Krystal Hoke, Brett Wilbanks, Thomas Meding

## **Agenda Revisions and Approval**

May 31 2023 Kickoff meeting agenda approval

## **New Business:**

1. Welcome and Introductions: Participants introduce themselves.
2. Organizational details: Committee of GBOS formed to facilitate new power voted in by GVSA in the spring election. This startup committee is intended to set up the structure and projects for future years. Obligation in the call for participants is one year. GBOS provided the initial scope for items for the group to work on, which are listed under #3 and mid-term, under #4. There are other items that may be added. As the group will make recommendations for Service Area tax fund expense, it is required that those serving on the committee are voters in the GVSA. Group reviews the projects to be addressed at this meeting, including formal determination of leadership, review of name, setting meeting dates for future meetings once a month, review of draft operating rules. Group reports directly to the GBOS.

Election of officers

Group discusses having a chair and co-chair structure.

Motion:

Group moves to have Brett Wilbanks serve as chair.

Motion by KH/TM

Motion carries unanimously

Motion:

Group moves to have Matt Schechter serve as co-chair.

Motion by Erin Eker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim Cabana

Motion carries unanimously

Official name of group:

Motion:

Group moves to officially name this group the Girdwood Housing and Economic Committee (GHEC)

Motion by Tim Cabana/2<sup>nd</sup> by Krystal Hoke

Motion carries unanimously

Meeting schedule: GHEC plans to meet the last WED of each month at 12PM. This can be changed if the schedule does not work. Next meeting will be held June 28 at 12PM.

GBOS Meeting Agendas and minutes are available on line: <http://www.muni.org/gbos>

Operating rules: Group will review and adopt at the next meeting. The current draft proposes a rotation of seats expiration dates on even and odd years so that there is continuity on the group, however this is at the

discretion of the GHEC.

3. Short term goals from GBOS:

HLB parcels – group discusses that there are parcels other than those recommended by HLB.

mechanisms for creating attainable housing

Group discusses establishing a goal of creating a measurable amount of housing, establishing what that amount will be as a goal.

Short term: Group will determine their definition

Type of housing: rental, ownership/workforce, attainable also will need to be defined.

Amount of housing: housing units vs pillows

Studies vs surveys to determine amount of housing needed and what amount is currently available. IT is noted that Alyeska is bringing more units on line soon, and this will bring their supply of staff housing to 142 units.

4. Mid- and Long-term goals

Community facilitated workshop recommended through Land Use Committee.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

Next meeting: WED June 28 12PM

Review and adopt operating principles

At the next meeting, group will focus on setting their primary goals and establishing those timelines

Members of the group are to review the HLB report and choose parcel that they think is the most realistic to develop for housing.

Adjourn 1:05PM