

# Girdwood Public Safety Advisory Committee Regular Meeting

## March 10, 2026

### Work Session Notes

This meeting will be held via Teams with in-person attendance at the Girdwood Community Room, 250 Egloff Dr.

The Girdwood Public Safety Advisory Committee operates under the Girdwood Public Meetings Standards of Conduct.

7PM Call to order, Luke Niedringhaus: No quorum, group agrees to proceed as work session.

Attending are Tim Astle and Luke Niedringhaus

#### **Announcements/Introductions/Presentation:**

##### **Old Business:**

- 1) PSAC election of officers for 2026. Roles are 2 co-chairs: Election in next meeting.

Luke is interested in continuing as a co-chair.

- 2) Status of PSAC request for GBOS Resolution of support for Traffic and Traffic control study of Hightower Road.

No update

- 3) Status of request for lowering of speed limit on Alyeska Highway

Outgoing Director for Southcentral Region made directive to lower the 45MPH section to 40 and to extend the 30MPH section to the south so that the change to 30MPH would occur around the Chugach Adventure Guides building. However, it is unclear if any of the countermeasures that were recommended in conjunction with lowering the speed limit will be taken on by DOT. Concern that without completion of countermeasures by DOT, the burden of shifting the speed limit will fall solely on enforcement by WPD.

GVSA will be re-stenciling the pathway for pedestrian use only. You are Speeding flashers have been recommended but no information on acquisition or installation. No updates on other countermeasures by DOT.

PSAC may be asked for recommendation to guide GBOS discussion with DOT.

- 4) Public Safety Contract after 2027: Ideas to be considered in next contract cycle (starting Jan 1 2028).

Collecting ideas for contract changes. Likely to work on this starting in 2027 for contract renewal 12/31/27

Potential for enforcement of Municipal code

Longer contract period.

##### **New Business:**

- 5) Discuss any new and ongoing Girdwood public safety concerns (see meeting packet)

No new items. WPD has been responding regarding parking on neighborhood roads. GVSA has removed abandoned vehicles, including an RV, for which impound, towing and disposal cost \$2700. Assembly has approved a surcharge that this assessed on trash, which funds the Healthy Spaces team. This complaint-activated team will clean up trash on public land throughout the MOA.

##### **Reports/Ongoing items:**

- 6) Review recent/upcoming community events (see meeting packet)
- 7) Other Community relations opportunities: no updates  
Newspaper outreach potential regarding Alyeska Highway speed change
- 8) Roundtable comments from the PSAC board none
- 9) Next meeting date: June 9, 2026  
Sept 15, 2026 Dec 15, 2026 at 7PM

##### **Public Safety Reports:**

WPD Update (WPD Chief Andre Achee) – Planning for Spring Carnival weekend. 2 open positions currently. Applying for tech grants from USDOT. Previously applied for grants to upgrade radio system.

GFR Update (Chief Michelle Weston) – see written report

GBOS Public Safety Supervisor report - none

**Public Comment:** None

##### **Adjourn 7:25PM**

Girdwood Public Safety Advisory Committee is a sub-committee to the Girdwood Board of Supervisors