



# Fairbanks North Star Borough

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Bryce J. Ward, Mayor, Fairbanks North Star Borough  
**THROUGH:** April Trickey, CMC, Borough Clerk *AT*  
**FROM:** Alexis Fackeldey, Administrative Assistant III *AF*  
**DATE:** August 20, 2021  
**SUBJECT:** **ACTION OF THE REGULAR PLATTING BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 18, 2021**

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Meeting Convened at 6:00 p.m./Adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

### Members Present

Steven Brooks  
Michael Kwasinski  
Randy Pitney, Chair

Ginger Orem  
Jacqueline Morton

Troy Hicks  
Kellie Fritze, Vice-Chair

### Members Excused

Traci Schachle

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The following action was taken at the above-referenced meeting:

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2021

**-Approved**

### **QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING**

**HY001-21 Gillam Way** A request by the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to replat four (4) parcels, with two (2) of the parcels being reduced in size and (2) of the parcels being affected with new public right-of-way easements, to provide for Gillam Way reconstruction. The property is located within United States Survey No. 849 and within Sections 10 and 15, T.1S., R.1W., F.M., specifically on the east side of Gillam Way between 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue within the City of Fairbanks, Alaska.

**-Approved (5-0) HY001-21 GILLAM WAY**

**QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING - continued**

*Conflict of Interest – Board member Troy Hicks declared a potential conflict of interest on HY001-21 Gillam Way, because he is an employee of the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. The Chair ruled a conflict of interest did exist and Mr. Hicks was excused from the dais.*

*Conflict of Interest – Board member Steven Brooks declared a potential conflict of interest on HY001-21 Gillam Way, because he is an employee of the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. The Chair ruled a conflict of interest did exist and Mr. Brooks was excused from the dais.*

**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL – HY001-21 Gillam Way**

1. The monumentation requirements of FNSBC 17.28.030 shall be adhered to and depicted on the final plat.
2. As provided in FNSBC 17.28.040(C), the final plat shall be submitted within 60 months of the Platting Board’s approval.

**FINDINGS OF FACT – HY001-21 Gillam Way**

- A) This project is a proposal by the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities in cooperation with the Alaska Division of the Federal Highway Administration.
- B) Acquisition of the two fee parcels and two easements are in accordance with FNSBC 17.28.030 (E).
- C) The applicant has satisfied the submission requirements of FNSBC 17.28.020.
- D) The FNSB Planning Commission recommended approval of this project.
- E) As required by AS 35.30.010, the Local Planning Authority Approval for the Gillam Way Restoration project, Alaska Project No. 0655012/Z637840000, was granted approval by the FNSB Planning Commission on July 26, 2018.
- F) The FNSB Transportation Planner supports this project.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **HY001-17 RICHARDSON HIGHWAY**

A request by the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for a 2-year extension request to the FNSB Platting Board's approval on September 21, 2016, to replat 27 parcels to provide for Richardson Highway access improvements, within Sections 27, 28, 34 and 35 T.1S., R.1E., F.M., specifically Milepost 353-357.

### **-Approved (5-0) HY001-17 RICHARDSON HIGHWAY**

*Conflict of Interest – Board member Troy Hicks declared a potential conflict of interest on HY001-17 Richardson Highway, because he is an employee of the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. The Chair ruled a conflict of interest did exist and Mr. Hicks was excused from the dais.*

*Conflict of Interest – Board member Steven Brooks declared a potential conflict of interest on HY001-17 Richardson Highway, because he is an employee of the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. The Chair ruled a conflict of interest did exist.*

### **SUBDIVISION RECOMMENDATIONS – HY001-17 Richardson Highway**

1. The final plat application shall be submitted by September 21, 2023 or the preliminary approval will become void.
2. Condition #2 from the September 21, 2021 approval shall be revised to state, "The monumentation requirements of FNSBC 17.28.030 shall be adhered to and depicted on the final plat."

### **FINDINGS OF FACT – HY001-17 Richardson Highway**

- A) The Platting Board approved the ROW acquisition plat request on September 21, 2016.
- B) The preliminary plat expires on September 21, 2021.
- C) This is the applicant's first extension request.
- D) FNSB staff support the extension request.
- E) At the time of approval in September 2016, FNSB staff incorrectly cited the monumentation requirements as FNSBC 17.30.150. The correct citation is FNSBC 17.28.030, and recommended Condition #2 addresses this.
- F) FNSBC 17.28.040(C) states that the Platting Board may grant an extension for recording the final plat upon the finding that it is in the public interest to do so.

**PUBLIC HEARING - continued**

- G) Approval of the extension request is in the public interest because the highway project's ROW acquisition plat supports the purposes of FNSB Title 17, as codified in FNSBC 17.08.010(A):
- i. Promote and provide for adequate and efficient street and road systems;
  - ii. Prevent congestion on streets and promote traffic safety;
  - iii. Provide for adequate utilities and public improvements;
  - iv. Ensure the accurate survey and proper preparation of plats to facilitate the documentation of land ownership;
  - v. Protect and improve the health, safety, and general welfare of the people of the borough.

**The next meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2021.**