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MEMORANDUM

TO: Bryce J. Ward, Mayor, Fairbanks North Star Borough
THROUGH: April Trickey, CMC, Borough Clerk *AT*
FROM: Sharon Wittenkeller, Administrative Assistant III Clerk *SW*
DATE: September 16, 2021
SUBJECT: **ACTION OF THE CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 2021**

Regular Meeting Convened at 12:03 p.m./Adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Members Present

Diana Campbell	Robert Henszey	Julie Jones
Wade Binkley	Lee Wood	Gregory Barker
Annette Freiburger, Vice-Chairperson		Buki Wright, Chairperson

Ex-Officio Members Present

Kellen Spillman, Acting Community Planning Director
Brian Charlton, Acting Parks and Recreation Director
Andrew Ackerman, City of Fairbanks Engineering Department
John Netardus, State of Alaska DOT&PF Representative

Liaison Members

Ashley Carrick, Executive Director for the Tanana Valley Watershed Association

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

MESSAGES

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CHENA RIVERFRONT COMMISSION

-Kellen Spillman, Acting Community Planning Director, provided information to the commission on the Gaffney Airport Richardson Steese (GARS) Interchange Project and the vacancies within the Community Planning Department.

MESSAGES - continued

Status Updates on the Chena Riverfront Commission Project List

-Kellen Spillman, Acting Community Planning Director, provided an update.

Status of the State of Alaska Chena River State Recreation Site (Wayside)

NONE

Status of the Graehl Park "Park-a-Year" preliminary concepts and planning.

-Brian Charlton, Acting Parks and Recreation Director, provided a status update.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes of July 28, 2021

-Approved

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update and possible recommendation on the maintenance of the Chena Riverwalk Phase III Project.

-No formal action taken.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of drafting possible Letter of Support to FAST Planning regarding River Safety Signage.

-Approved (8-0) a Letter of support to Tanana Valley Watershed Association.

Review and possible recommendations on the Chena Riverfront projects being considered for the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) during the current nomination period of August 1, 2021 through September 17, 2021.

-Brian Charlton, Acting Parks and Recreation Director, provided an update. No formal action taken.

Presentation by the FNSB Parks and Recreation Department on the Draft Pioneer Park Master Plan, review and possible recommendations from the Chena Riverfront Commission.

Donnie Hayes, Parks and Recreation Department Manager of Pioneer Park, gave a presentation concerning the Draft Pioneer Park Master Plan.

-No formal action taken.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2021.