

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSESSION AGENDA

February 18, 2021

This meeting will be held by teleconference hosted from the
Mona Lisa Drexler Assembly Chambers
Juanita Helms Administration Center
907 Terminal Street, Fairbanks, AK

Immediately following the Assembly Finance Committee

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. MEMORANDA/REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

- 3.a. A Pioneer Park playground conceptual design presentation by the Administration, with a question and answer period.

4. ADVANCED ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 4.a. ORDINANCE NO. 2021-04.

An Ordinance Amending FNSBC 3.24.030, Legislative Priorities Committee.
(Sponsors: Assemblymembers Sanford, Williams and Cash)

Documents:

[2021-04 Backup Information.pdf](#)

5. BRIEFINGS FROM THE BOROUGH MAYOR

- 5.a. Brief update on the COVID-19 public health emergency by Mayor Ward and/or a representative from the Interior Unified Command.
- 5.b. Other Briefings.

6. ASSEMBLY BUSINESS/COMMENTS

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 7.a. Public update on collective bargaining negotiations.

A potential Executive Session for the purpose of meeting with the borough's chief spokesperson, mayor and borough attorney in order to discuss and provide direction on the assembly's goals relating to collective bargaining negotiations.

8. ADJOURNMENT

9. AUDIO FILES - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

[02-18-2021 Audio Track 1 \(MP3\)](#)

[02-18-2021 Audio Track 2 \(MP3\)](#)

10. ACTION MEMO - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSESSION

Documents:

[02_18_2021_COW_Action_Memo.pdf](#)

THE AGENDA ITEMS AS LISTED MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED IN SEQUENCE. THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE TO INCLUDE THE DELETION OF ITEMS OR EXECUTIVE SESSIONS, IF NEEDED.

By: Marna Sanford
Leah Berman Williams
Jimi Cash
Introduced: February 11, 2021

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH

ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – 04

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FNSBC 3.24.030, LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, The Legislative Priorities Committee works with the Fairbanks North Star Borough (Borough) Administration to develop legislative strategy and priorities; and

WHEREAS, Timely decisions are needed from the Legislative Priorities Committee to provide direction on statutory changes and to work with legislators and the Governor to enact such desired changes; and

WHEREAS, The changes proposed in this ordinance establish codified deadlines for the committee to prepare and recommend in the form of committee sponsored resolutions suggested changes to statutes and capital and programmatic request; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of Borough residents that legislative priorities and requests be clearly articulated and shared in a timely fashion with state and federal elected officials; and

WHEREAS, The timelines established in this ordinance allow for proper participation in statewide municipal gatherings; and

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32 WHEREAS, Changes to statute and supported statutory changes require
33 time and resources and often span legislative sessions.

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35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Assembly of the Fairbanks
36 North Star Borough:

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38 Section 1. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall
39 be codified.

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41 Section 2. FNSBC 3.24.030, Legislative Priorities Committee, is hereby
42 amended as follows:

43 A. The legislative priorities committee shall consist of three members appointed by
44 the presiding officer.

45 B. The chair of the legislative priorities committee shall be selected by the presiding
46 officer, and shall preside over all meetings of the legislative priorities committee, setting
47 its agenda, and organizing such procedures as are necessary to meeting annual goals.
48 These shall include but are not limited to:

49 1. Coordinate legislative [PRIORITIES] strategy and priority requests with
50 administration.

51 [2. REVIEW THE CAPITAL PROJECTS LIST AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS AS
52 APPROPRIATE FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ALASKA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION
53 AND THE STATE LEGISLATURE.]

54 2. Recommend changes in state or federal law in the form of a resolution to
55 the assembly no later than the first meeting in August.

56 3. Prepare recommended capital and programmatic requests in the form of a
57 resolution to the assembly no later than the first meeting in November; capital requests
58 shall include approved capital improvement program projects.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly
April Trickey, CMC, Borough Clerk

THROUGH: Aaron Lojewski, Deputy Presiding Officer

FROM: Gina Gregg, Research Assistant

DATE: February 22, 2021

SUBJECT: ACTION OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2021 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Convened at 6:42 p.m./Adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Members Present

Matt Cooper	Leah Berman Williams	Liz Lyke
Jimi Cash	Tammie Wilson	Frank Tomaszewski
Marna Sanford	Mindy O'Neall	Aaron Lojewski

Members Excused

None

MEMORANDA/REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

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-Presentation given by Donnie Hayes, Pioneer Park Manager

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- Item for discussion only / Assemblymembers Sanford and Williams provided a staff report

BRIEFINGS FROM THE BOROUGH MAYOR

Mayor Ward provided a brief update on the COVID-19 public health emergency.



ASSEMBLY BUSINESS/COMMENTS

Deputy Presiding Officer Lojewski announced the Assembly's upcoming schedule.

- Thursday, February 25: Regular Assembly Meeting at 6:00 p.m. hosted from the Mona Lisa Drexler Assembly Chambers and will be conducted via Zoom.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Public update on collective bargaining negotiations.

-Michelle Michel, Human Resources Director, gave a public update

A potential Executive Session for the purpose of meeting with the borough's chief spokesperson, mayor and borough attorney in order to discuss and provide direction on the assembly's goals relating to collective bargaining negotiations.

-No Executive session held