

A. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on August 25, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Palmer, Alaska. Mayor DeVries called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Due to COVID-19 Mayor DeVries was present in the Council Chambers while the Council Members participated in the meeting by teleconference.

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following were present:

Edna DeVries, Mayor	Linda Combs, Deputy Mayor (participated by teleconference)
Julie Berberich (participated by teleconference)	Sabrina Combs (participated by teleconference)
Steve Carrington (participated by teleconference)	Jill Valerius (participated by teleconference)

Deputy Mayor Combs joined the meeting at 7:10 p.m., which was after the Clerk’s Report.

Council Member Carrington joined the meeting at 7:06 p.m., which was after Approval of the Agenda.

Council Member Richard W. Best was absent and excused.

Staff in attendance were the following:

John Moosey, City Manager	Michael Gatti, City Attorney (participated by teleconference)
Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk	Kara Johnson, Deputy City Clerk

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - a. **Action Memorandum No. 20-056:** Authorizing the City Manager to Extend the Legal Services Contract with Jermain, Dunnagan & Owens, P.C. for One Additional Year to Expire December 31, 2021
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - a. July 28, 2020, Regular Meeting

Main Motion: To Approve the Agenda, Consent Agenda, and Minutes

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Valerius
Vote:	4 Yes/3 Absent (Best, Carrington, L. Combs)
Action:	Motion Carried

Council Member Carrington joined the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

E. REPORTS

1. City Manager’s Report

Chief of Police Shelton introduced two new police officers.

City Manager Moosey reported on the current Budget schedule and updates on the Cares Act grant applications.

2. City Clerk’s Report

City Clerk Alley reported on the following:

- Absentee By Mail Ballot requests;
- Location move of Precinct 11-075 to the Mat-Su Borough Gym; and
- Available means of voting; and
- Important Election dates.

Deputy Mayor L. Combs joined the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

3. Mayor’s Report

Mayor DeVries highlighted her written report.

4. City Attorney’s Report

None.

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman testified on the public process and rights for the public to address policies and procedures.

G. PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Ordinance No. 20-005:** Amending Palmer Municipal Code Section 2.04.160 Council Community Grants (Pending Motion)

City Clerk Alley reported on the meeting history of the item, noted there are a number of amendments recommended by staff to be made to the ordinance that it could be confusing to track if made on the floor, recommended Ordinance No. 20-005 be postponed indefinitely, and staff prepare a new ordinance.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 20-005.

Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman testified on the public process and rights for the public to address policies and procedures.

Hearing no objection from Council, Mayor DeVries closed the public hearing.

Motion to Postpone: To Postpone Indefinitely Ordinance No. 20-005

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Carrington
Vote:	6 Yes/1 Absent (Best)
Action:	Motion Carried

H. NEW BUSINESS

None.

I. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE

None.

J. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman testified on the public process of the Mat-Su Borough Manager Recruitment.

K. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Consensus was met to request Agnew::Beck return to a future regular meeting in order to provide their complete presentation and allow enough time for Council engagement.

L. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Approved this 22nd day of September, 2020.

Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk

Edna B. DeVries, Mayor