A. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on September 27, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Palmer, Alaska. Mayor Carrington called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

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

Steve Carrington, Mayor                  Pamela Melin, Deputy Mayor
Carolina Anzilotti                      John Alcantra
Richard W. Best                         Thomas Ojala IV
Joshua Tudor

Staff in attendance were the following:

John Moosey, City Manager                Sarah Heath, City Attorney
Shelly M. Acteson, CMC, City Clerk      Holly Dubose, Deputy City Clerk

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Approval of Consent Agenda
   a) Introduction and set public hearing on October 11, 2022, for Ordinance No. 22-008:
      Adopting a New Official Zoning Districts Map Superseding the Prior Map Adopted on December
      12, 2017, in Accordance with the PMC 17.16.010 Map - Replacement

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
   a) September 13, 2022, Regular Meeting

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

| Moved by: | Alcantra |
| Seconded by: | Best |
| Vote: | Approved |
| Action: | Motion Carried |

Action Memorandum No. 22-054 was postponed to the next meeting by unanimous consent.

E. COMMUNICATION AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS

1. Proclamation – Proclaiming October 23-31, 2022, as Red Ribbon Week

Mayor Carrington presented the Red Ribbon Week proclamation.

F. REPORTS

Manager Moosey reported on the following:
- Police Chief Shelton introduced the new Dispatch Supervisor.
• Asked Council to consider an additional officer position for 2023 budget.
• Fire Chief Cameron gave an assessment of the need for a new fire engine. Manager Moosey asked to go out for a 30-day quote from the Council. The Council agreed.
• Review of the 2023 City of Palmer Budget Schedule.
• Transportation Fair table October 2, 3 pm – 7pm.
• Vagrancy forum at the Mat-Su School District Administrative Building on October 14.
• October 3 discussion with the Mat-Su Borough on stormwater.
• 2024 Winter Games update.

Mayor Carrington reported on the following:
• Early voting happening this week from 8am – 5pm.
• Polling place update for the upcoming October 4 election.
• Combine certification of election meeting and the regular meeting October 10.

City Clerk Acteson reported on the following:
• Provided an update on election numbers to date.

City Attorney Heath reported on the following:
• Overview of contractual relationship with the Museum of Palmer History of Art and City of Palmer.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Jack Lua:
• Commented in opposition regarding the proposed bike path from Evergreen down to the Airport Road.

Ann Buzby:
• Commented in opposition regarding the proposed bike path.

Megan Lua:
• Commented in opposition regarding the proposed bike path.

Jackie Goforth:
• Commented regarding the City of Palmer poll watcher application.

Wesley Artz:
• Commented regarding paraphernalia found outside of Palmer businesses.
• Thanked the Palmer Police Department for their responsiveness.

Cindy Hudgins:
• Thanked the Manager and Council for support in the Police and Fire Departments.
• Recited rules from the State of Alaska poll watcher handbook.

Mike Chmielewski:
• Commented on voting today in the City election.
• Commented positively of the Palmer History of Museum and Art.
• Commented on the sidewalk availability in downtown Palmer.

Erik Anderson:
• Commented on the purchase of the proposed fire truck and police officer recruitment.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS
1. **Ordinance No. 22-007**: Amending the City of Palmer Municipal Code 3.12.032, Residential Real Property Exemption, To Increase the Assessed Value of a Single Parcel of Residential Real Property Owned and Occupied by the Owner of Record as the Owner’s Permanent Place of Residence in the City from Sixty-Eight Thousand Dollars to One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars

Manager Moosey provided a staff report.

Mayor Carrington opened the public hearing.

Jack Lua:
  - Commented in support Ordinance No. 22-007.

Maggie Lua:
  - Commented in support of Ordinance No. 22-007.

Ann Buzby:
  - Commented in support of Ordinance No. 22-007.

Mayor Carrington closed the Public Hearing.

Council Members engaged in discussion regarding Ordinance 22-007.

**Main Motion:** To Adopt Ordinance No. 22-007, as amended

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**Primary #1:** To Amend Ordinance No. 22-007 from $125,000 to $150,000

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2. **Resolution No. 22-027**: Authorizing the City Manager to include Additive Alternate 2 to the contract awarded to Ahtna Construction in the Amount of $88,000.00 for install of head bolt heaters in Apron E, at the Warren “Bud” Woods Palmer Municipal Airport

Airport Superintendent Rosalie Kelly provided a staff report.

Mayor Carrington opened the public hearing.

Wes Artz:
  - Questioned if this was profit for the City of Palmer.

Mike Chmielewski:
  - Spoke in support of the Resolution No. 22-027.

Mayor Carrington closed the Public Hearing.

Council Members engaged in discussion regarding Resolution 22-027.
Main Motion: To Adopt Resolution No. 22-027

Moved by: Best
Seconded by: Alcantra
Vote: Approved 6 Yes/1 No (Melin)
Action: Motion Carried

3. Resolution No. 22-028: Amending the 2022 City of Palmer Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022, by Appropriating $161,184.00 from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance as a loan to the Water Sewer Fund for Additional City Funding for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility Phase 2 Clarifiers Project

Manager Moosey provided a staff report.

Mayor Carrington opened the public hearing.

Cindy Hudgins:
- Commented in support of the Resolution No. 22-028.

Mayor Carrington closed the Public Hearing.

Council Members engaged in discussion regarding Resolution 22-028.

Main Motion: To Adopt Resolution No. 22-028

Moved by: Alcantra
Seconded by: Tudor
Vote: Approved
Action: Motion Carried

4. Resolution No. 22-029: Encouraging the State of Alaska to Support the Designation of the MATSU Valley Planning for Transportation as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Urbanized Area; And Allocate $1 Million in State Funding for the Formation, Organization, and Operation of the MATSU Valley Planning for Transportation

Manager Moosey provided a staff report.

Mayor Carrington opened the public hearing.

Seeing no one come forward Mayor Carrington closed the Public Hearing.

Council Members engaged in discussion regarding Resolution 22-029.

Main Motion: To Adopt Resolution No. 22-029

Moved by: Best
Seconded by: Melin
Vote: Approved
Action: Motion Carried

I. ACTION MEMORANDA
1. Action Memorandum No. 22-054: Authorizing Utility Connection for Quantum Laundry Lounge, Located at 2151 South Woodworth Loop, Palmer, Alaska (Postponed from the September 13, 2022 meeting)

Manager Moosey gave a staff report.

Council engaged in discussion regarding Action Memorandum No. 22-054.

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2. Action Memorandum No. 22-055: Authorize the City Manager to Initiate a Library Courtyard Improvement Concept Design and Implementation Process to Include Community Meetings, Fundraising and Project Costing.

Community Development Director Hanson gave a staff report.

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Manager Moosey gave a staff report.

Council engaged in discussion regarding Action Memorandum No. 22-056.

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4. Action Memorandum No 22-057: Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract with Eagle View Excavation in the Amount of not to exceed $90.00 per hour per truck for City Snow Haul Services

Manager Moosey gave a staff report.

Council engaged in discussion regarding the Action Memorandum No. 22-057.
J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

K. NEW BUSINESS

L. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE

Documents from Jackie Goforth and budget schedule from City Manager Moosey

M. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Jack Lua:
- Asked Council to consider other paths for the new pathway.

Ann Buzby:
- Thanked the Council for listening to comments

Megan Lua:
- Asked Council to rethink the bike path route.

Jackie Goforth:
- Continuation of poll watcher comments.
- Discussion on pride displays.

Wes Artz:
- Commented regarding head bolt heaters
- Spoke regarding Council attendance at the Transportation and Planning Organization Meetings with the Mat-Su Borough.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

O. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Ojala:
- Commented on City of Palmer spending.

Council Member Tudor:
- Thanked the City Manager regarding transparency.
- Encouraged the City of Palmer residents to go vote.

Council Member Best:
- Agreed with fellow Council Members.
- Encouraged everyone to get out and vote.

Council Member Alcantra:
- Commented regarding City spending and projects.
- Thanked the citizens of Palmer for their comments.
Council Member Anzilotti:
  - Encouraged the City of Palmer residents to get out and vote.
  - Commented regarding the next steps of the sidewalk improvement project

Council Member Melin:
  - Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting
  - Thanked the Fire Chief and Police Chief for their attendance tonight.

Mayor Carrington:
  - No comments.

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

*Approved this 11th day of October, 2022.*

Shelly M. Acteson, CMC, City Clerk

Steve Carrington, Mayor