

A. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on May 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Palmer, Alaska. Deputy Mayor LaFrance called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

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

Pete LaFrance, Deputy Mayor	Linda Combs
Julie Berberich	Sabrena Combs
Steve Carrington	David Fuller

Mayor DeVries was absent and excused.

Staff in attendance were the following:

Lance Ketterling, Acting City Manager	Michael Gatti, City Attorney
Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk	Frank Kelly, Airport Superintendent

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - a. Introduction of **Ordinance No. 19-007**: Enacting Palmer Municipal Code Chapter 9.39 Regarding Excessive Police Responses
 - b. Introduction of **Ordinance No. 19-008**: Amending Palmer Municipal Code Chapter 2.18 Pertaining to Boards and Commissions Generally
 - c. Introduction of **Ordinance No. 19-009**: Amending Palmer Municipal Code Chapter 2.30 Pertaining to Board of Economic Development
 - d. **Action Memorandum No. 19-047**: Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase and Install a Fire Radio Repeater and Associated Equipment for the Palmer Fire Department
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - a. March 12, 2019, Joint City Council and Park, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Board Meeting
 - b. April 23, 2019, Regular Meeting

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

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Fuller
Vote:	6 Yes/0 No/1 Absent (DeVries)
Action:	Motion Carried

E. COMMUNICATIONS AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS

1. Presentation of a Proclamation Recognizing May 19-25, 2019, as Public Works Week

Deputy Mayor LaFrance read and presented a proclamation to Public Works Department recognizing their outstanding service.

2. Presentation from Airport Advisory Commission Chair Ken More

Airport Advisory Commission Chair Ken More updated the Council on work the Airport Advisory Commission (AAC) has been working on and highlighted the following:

- Helipad dedication,
- Amendments to the Airport Regulations,
- Amendments to the fuel flowage fee,
- Airport Zoning, and
- Airport Development.

F. REPORTS

1. City Manager's Report

Acting City Manager Ketterling highlighted his written report.

2. City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Alley highlighted her written report.

3. Mayor's Report - None.

4. City Attorney's Report - None.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Ms. Jill Valerius, Creative Crosswalks Community Group, requested Council's support for painting the crosswalk, in a special design, on South Valley Way eastbound from the pavilion and museum (see meeting packet for design drawing). She testified the members of the community group would cover the costs and asked for Council's approval to move forward with the project.

Mr. Keith Morberg, Mountain Rose Home Owners Association Vice President, entered into the record a petition from the Mountain Rose Estates residents requesting the special conditions required for the approval of the Whispering Winds development plan be enforced.

Ms. Virginia Tabor, Mountain Rose Estates resident, entered her written testimony into the record and read her testimony requesting the special conditions required for the approval of the Whispering Winds development plan be enforced.

Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman testified Council address policies, procedures, and expectations to the public before, during, and after a public hearing. He entered into the record a Municipality of Anchorage legislation addressing public participation during a public meeting.

Ms. Molly Boyer testified she was in support of the Creative Crosswalks Community Group's initiative and thanked the Council for the restriction on distribution of plastic bags.

H. PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Ordinance No. 19-005:** Amending Palmer Municipal Code Title 7 Pertaining to the Airport Regulations for the Warren "Bud" Woods Palmer Municipal Airport

Airport Superintendent Frank Kelly summarized the staff report and highlighted the proposed amendments.

Deputy Mayor LaFrance opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 19-005. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

Main Motion: To Adopt Ordinance No. 19-005

Moved by:	L. Combs
Seconded by:	S. Combs
Vote:	6 Yes/0 No/1 Absent (DeVries)
Action:	Motion Carried

2. **Ordinance No. 19-006:** Amending Palmer Municipal Code Chapter 12.08 Pertaining to the Fuel Flowage Fee for the Warren "Bud" Woods Palmer Municipal Airport

Airport Superintendent Frank Kelly summarized the staff report and highlighted the proposed amendments.

Deputy Mayor LaFrance opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 19-006.

Mr. Ken More testified in support of the ordinance and asked for approval.

Hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

Main Motion: To Adopt Ordinance No. 19-006

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Fuller
Vote:	6 Yes/0 No/1 Absent (DeVries)
Action:	Motion Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

None.

J. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE

City Clerk Alley reported supporting documents to public testimony were Items Placed on the Table.

K. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

L. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Main Motion: To Approve the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Board's Recommendation to Allow the Creative Crosswalk Community Group to Move Forward with their Proposal

Moved by:	Berberich
Seconded by:	S. Combs

Acting City Manager Ketterling spoke on the matter noting federal regulations for painting crosswalks on public streets, no huge public safety concerns, setting a precedence for future requests with no clear process on accepting or denying these types of requests, and how public art can make a vibrant community.

Council Members Carrington, L. Combs, and Fuller stated they wanted to see a full proposal; Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Board's recommendation; the request brought back to the Council as an agenda item; and a clear process for Council's consideration.

Council Member Berberich spoke in support of the motion, expressed concern for having the project delayed, and noted the committee had spoken with the city manager.

Council Members Berberich, S. Combs, and LaFrance expressed support for the request and encouragement of public art.

Discussion ensued on the motion on the floor and clarification if it states direction for the committee to work with the city manager.

Primary Amendment #1: Directing the Creative Crosswalks Community Group to Work with the City Manager for the Crosswalk on South Valley Way Only

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Berberich
Vote:	5 Yes/1 No (L. Combs)/1 Absent (DeVries)
Action:	Motion Carried

Vote on the Main Motion: To Approve the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Board’s Recommendation to Allow the Creative Crosswalk Community Group to Move Forward with their Proposal and Directing the Creative Crosswalks Community Group to Work with the City Manager for the Crosswalk on South Valley Way, As Amended

Vote:	5 Yes/1 No (L. Combs)/1 Absent (DeVries)
Action:	Motion Carried

Council Members L. Combs and S. Combs directed the city manager to look into the Whispering Winds Project.

M. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Approved this 11th day of June, 2019.

Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk

Edna B. DeVries, Mayor