

A. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on March 14, 2023, 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:

Mayor Steve Carrington, John Alcantra, Carolina Anzilotti, Joshua Tudor, and Thomas Ojala, IV

Absent: Deputy Mayor Pamela Melin (Excused), Richard W. Best (Unexcused).

Staff in attendance:

John Moosey, City Manager
Shelly M. Acteson, CMC, City Clerk
Brad Hansen, Community Dev. Director

Gina Davis, Finance Director
Holly Dubose, Deputy City Clerk

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Main Motion: To Approve the Agenda as presented and minutes of the February 28, 2023 meeting

Moved by:	Tudor
Seconded by:	Ojala IV
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

E. COMMUNICATION AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS

1. Polly-Beth Odom, Executive Director, Daybreak Incorporated.
Polly-Beth Odom, Executive Director, Daybreak Inc. and Sherry Carrington, Connect Palmer Inc, Executive Director, (present in audience) gave an update on the recent Community Resource Day event in Palmer.

2. Proclamation – Sharing and Caring Day – Rabbi Mendy Greenberg
Mayor Steve Carrington presented Rabbi Mendy Greenberg with a proclamation, declaring Sunday, April 2, 2023, as Sharing and Caring Day.

F. REPORTS

1. City Manager’s Report
 - Artic Winter Games Update
 - Announced that the city has signed a lease for a temporary Library location.
 - RFP/RFQ to be advertised for architectural services for the library rebuild.

- The City has submitted a request for rebuild funds for the library with Senator Lisa Murkowski's Office and talked with House Co-Chair DeLena Johnson which are still in progress.
- Community cleanup is coming up. More details to come.
- Bogard Road Water Main Extension project update
- DOT has picked up the Safe Routes to school sidewalk extension which will extend the side walk from Palmer Proper to Palmer Fishhook.

2. Mayor's Report

- Provided a written report in the packet.

3. City Clerk's Report

- No formal report.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Sherry Carrington:

- Thanked City Council for the opportunity to host the Community Resource Day at the Palmer Depot.
- Recounted recent acts of kindness in the City of Palmer.

Jacki Goforth:

- Reflected on integrity and ethics.

Roz Simmons:

- Commented on building a relationship between the Baptist Church and the City of Palmer.

Eric Anderson:

- Voiced concerns regarding snow load and clearing on City owned buildings.

Mike Chmielewski:

- Commented on audio visual in the chamber during the meeting.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Resolution No. 22-005B:** A Resolution of the Palmer City Council Amending the Budget for the City of Palmer, Alaska for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022

Mayor Carrington opened the public hearing.

Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Carrington closed the public hearing.

Manager Moosey provided a staff report.

Gina Davis, Finance Director clarified questions brought forth by the Council Members.

Main Motion: **Resolution No. 22-005B:** A Resolution of the Palmer City Council Amending the Budget for the City of Palmer, Alaska for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022

Moved by:	Anzilotti
Seconded by:	Ojala IV
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

I. ACTION MEMORANDA

1. **Action Memorandum No. 23-013:** Approving a Council Community Grant to Radio Free Palmer aka Big Cabbage Radio with Staff Recommendation of \$1,500

Main Motion: **Action Memorandum No. 23-013:** Approving a Council Community Grant to Radio Free Palmer aka Big Cabbage Radio with Staff Recommendation of \$1,500

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

2. **Action Memorandum No. 23-014:** Approving a Council Community Grant to 49th State Street Rodders Association, Inc. with Staff Recommendation of \$2,500 In-Kind Donation

Main Motion: **Action Memorandum No. 23-014:** Approving a Council Community Grant to 49th State Street Rodders Association, Inc. with Staff Recommendation of \$2,500 In-Kind Donation

Moved by:	Tudor
Seconded by:	Ojala IV
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

3. **Action Memorandum No. 23-015:** Authorize City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Contract with Greene Garden Services for Seasonal Gardening/Horticultural Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$48,540

Brad Hanson, Community Development Director provided a staff report.

Main Motion: **Action Memorandum No. 23-015:** Authorize City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Contract with Greene Garden Services for Seasonal Gardening/Horticultural Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$48,540

Moved by:	Anzilotti
Seconded by:	Alcantra
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

K. NEW BUSINESS

L. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE

City projects project priorities list from Manager Moosey.

M. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Jackie Goforth:

- Voiced concerns regarding the Council audio recording from the last meeting.

Eric Anderson:

- Remarkd on the water line extension from the City of Palmer to outside City limits.

Mike Chmielewski:

- Commented on audio quality and processes in place to improve it.

Susan Powier:

- Spoke in support of the Palmer library.

N. EXECUTIVE SESSION

O. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member Tudor:

- Thanked the new members of the Airport Advisory Commission for volunteering.
- Thanked Polly-Beth for her presentation this evening.
- Thanked Big Cabbage Radio for broadcasting the meetings.

Council Member Ojala:

- Thanked the presenters for coming to the meeting this evening.

Council Member Anzilotti:

- Thanked Polly-Beth for coming out the meeting tonight and presenting.
- Attended the Chamber luncheon and watched the Artic Winter Games presentation.


Council Member Alcantra:

- Appreciated the participants of audience participation.
- Appreciated the presentations this evening.


P. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Approved this 28th day of March, 2023.



Shelly M. Acteson, CMC, City Clerk



Steve Carrington, Mayor