



AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER**
- B. ROLL CALL**
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- E. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. City Council Applicant Interviews
 - 2. Selection and Appointment of City Council Members
- F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**
- G. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE**
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- I. ADJOURNMENT**



TO: Council Seat Applicants
FROM: Shelly M. Acteson, CMC
DATE: May 12, 2022
SUBJECT: May 17, 2022, 6 pm, City Council Special Meeting to Interview Council Seat Applicants

The Palmer City Council will hold a Special Meeting on May 17, 2022, at 6 pm, to interview applicants for the three vacant City Council seats.

Order of interviews:

1. John Alcantra
2. Cecelia Bradford
3. John Murphy
4. Thomas Ojala IV
5. Joshua Tudor

- Applicants will be interviewed one at a time, while the other applicants wait in the hall outside of Chambers.
- Applicants will be interviewed in alphabetical order based upon their last name.
- Each applicant will be given up to 5 minutes to provide the Council with an introductory statement about themselves, before the Council asks them questions.
- Following the applicant's introductory statement, Council members will take turns asking their submitted questions.
- Council members will also be allowed to ask any follow up or questions or clarifications of the applicants, if the questions being asked are within the scope of the original questions posed to the applicant or a topic brought up by the applicant during their introduction statement.
- Following the interviews, the Council will be given time to deliberate individually. This will occur without any discussion with other council members or the public. They may ask questions of City Staff. Deliberations will occur in council chambers; council will remain at their council seats in council chambers, except for any restroom breaks.
- Subsequent to this brief deliberation process the Mayor will open the floor for council members nominations.
- After the nominations, the Council may then choose to appoint the applicants individually through a motion. The oath of office will be administered to the new council members at the beginning of the May 24, 2022, Council meeting.

Additional question submitted by a Council Member:

1. What do you think should be the top economic drivers for Palmer looking into the future?



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City Council Application for Appointment

Full Legal Name: Cecelia Louise Bradford
 Residence Address: 640 E Primrose Circle Palmer, AK
 Mailing Address: SAME
 Phone Number(s): Home: 256-808-9575 Work: N/A Cell: Same
 Email Address: ceceb.cecelia@AOL.com
 Employer: Retired FAA Occupation: SR. MGMT
 Registered Voter? Yes No I have lived within the Palmer City limits since: 12/19

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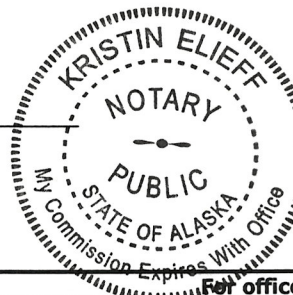
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First to be more aware of our community/activities etc
Second to be a voice for myself + others
+ LAST to give back to my community by serving

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Cecelia Bradford
 Applicant Signature | Date



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 Subscribed and sworn before me this 12 day of MAY, 2022.
Kristin Elieff
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Supplemental Questions

City of Palmer Council Seat Vacancy

1. What is your understanding of the role of a City Council Member? *Serve The Public enforce public policy, Administer public #'s & provide services based on Palmer's Needs.*
2. Tell us what has prepared you to be a Council Member. *Board of Director w/ MUFCA & Matamaska Assembly of God in Palmer
34 years of Federal Service to the Public.*
3. Why are you interested in serving as a Council Member? *Palmer is where I grew up, graduated and after retiring (FAA) it is HOME. Time to give back to the community that I love.*
4. Describe your understanding of the time commitment associated with serving on the City Council and are you prepared to meet it? *Not sure but looks doable as I am Retired and looking to Give Back to my Community.*
5. Do you have any scheduled vacations or commitments that would keep you from attending Council Meetings? *No - No*
6. What does it mean to you that all deliberations and actions taken by a public entity must be done in public view? Please explain.

We must ensure that ALL those affected have the opportunity to be made aware of and participate in deliberations and actions. Each participant is free to speak with respect and consideration i.e. concerns of equity, fairness working towards common grounds for agreement and/or understanding. Doing this out of Public View is not only against laws but can create law suits, EEO Complaints etc.



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Full Legal Name: John Boyd Murphy

Residence Address: 999 W. Edinborough Dr.

Mailing Address: 999 W. Edinborough Dr.

Phone Number(s): Home: 907-793 7671 Work: 907-793-4819 Cell: 907-793-7671

Email Address: john.murphy@dxpe.com

Employer: DXP | Alaska Pump & Supply Occupation: Project Manager

Registered Voter? Yes No I have lived within the Palmer City limits since: 2011

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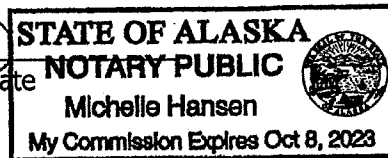
(You are welcome to attach a resume that includes your education, work, and volunteer experiences and other interests)

Palmer is my home and we enjoy living here, I am a Deacon at my church (Lazy Mountain Bible Church).

My family and I frequently attend City of Palmer events and we keep ourselves aware of what is happening in the community.

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 Applicant Signature | Date



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1. What is your understanding of the role of a City Council Member?
To help guide the city in a fair and impartial maner.

2. Tell us what has prepared you to be a Council Member.
In my present job, I work with engineers and other employees to discuss and exchange ideas for solving problems as they relate to waste water and other pumping issues municipalities may have.

3. Why are you interested in serving as a Council Member?
Palmer is my home and where my family has chosen to live after moving here from Florida eleven years ago. I want to do my part for the city and make a difference in the community.

4. Describe your understanding of the time commitment associated with serving on the City Council and are you prepared to meet it?
I understand there are two meetings a month, one on the second Tuesday and on the fourth Tuesday at 6pm. I am prepared to make these a priority. I am willing to put in as much time that is required.

5. Do you have any scheduled vacations or commitments that would keep you from attending Council Meetings?
Any future vacations or commitments can be worked around any of the meetings.

6. What does it mean to you that all deliberations and actions taken by a public entity must be done in public view? Please explain.
It means to me that any discussions or debates we have will need to be done in a polite and courteous manner. They must be done fairly and with the utmost honesty and completely open to the public.



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City Council Application for Appointment

Full Legal Name: JOHN BRUCE ALCANTRA
 Residence Address: 1155 JOSSELIN PALMER, AK 99645
 Mailing Address: SAME
 Phone Number(s): Home: N/A Work: 907-861-8708 Cell: 907-354-3765
 Email Address: Johnalcantara@gmail.com
 Employer: Alaska Job Corps Center Occupation: Business Liaison
 Registered Voter? Yes No I have lived within the Palmer City limits since: August 2004

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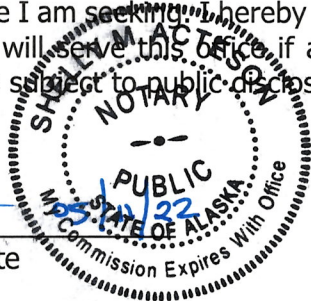
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I have a long history in the city of Palmer and surrounding areas. I have served on numerous Boards throughout my career. I offer my time and leadership skills to the council.

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1. What is your understanding of the role of a City Council Member? To provide governance. To serve as a conduit from the residents of Palmer to the City administration. To assist Palmer in being the best city in Alaska. To be a resource.
2. Tell us what has prepared you to be a Council Member. I have vast experience in government at all levels. I served as Emergency Management Director in the Kenai Peninsula Borough, and have also worked for FEMA and in the Legislature. I now serve as a Business and Community Liaison for the Alaska Job Corps Center.
3. Why are you interested in serving as a Council Member? I have a long history in Palmer and the surrounding area. I believe this is an opportunity to provide stability and leadership for the community, businesses and residents of Palmer.
4. Describe your understanding of the time commitment associated with serving on the City Council and are you prepared to meet it? Throughout my career I have led and attended many meetings (Federal, State, Assembly, Council, etc.). I realize that information has to be read and understood before a meeting begins. Now, with older children I have the time to commit.
5. Do you have any scheduled vacations or commitments that would keep you from attending Council Meetings? NO.
6. What does it mean to you that all deliberations and actions taken by a public entity must be done in public view? Please explain.

Transparency is of the utmost importance. All public work should be done in the view, and with the knowledge of the public.

Executive sessions should be used sparingly and to specific subjects. Elected officials should not be discussing governance, council or legislative business in secret.

I have served on numerous Board of Directors throughout my career, so I'm familiar with meeting rules and etiquette.

John B. Alcantra

1155 W. Josselin, Palmer, Alaska 99645

• Cell: 907-354-3765 • E-mail: johnalcantra@gmail.com

Areas of Expertise and Knowledge

- ◆ Excellent Written & Oral Communication Skills
- ◆ Volunteer organizing
- ◆ Meeting facilitation
- ◆ Experienced political organizer and campaigner
- ◆ Project Management experience
- ◆ Proposal and Grant writing & management
- ◆ Union bargaining
- ◆ Financial management and investment

Key Accomplishments & Awards

- ◆ Passed Series 7 & 66 Examinations and the Alaska Life Insurance Exam
- ◆ Education Lobbyist in Juneau for 12 Legislative sessions
- ◆ Established positive relationships with legislators of both parties
- ◆ 39% increase in base student allocation from 2002 to 2009
- ◆ 85% increase in K-12 funding over past decade with less students
- ◆ House Bill 273 - K-12 funding plan passed in 2008
- ◆ Established and tracked legislation to create Education Standing Committee – fostering increased dialogue on education issues
- ◆ House Bill 158 – Establishing a K-12 education fund for forward funding and reauthorization.

Professional Experience

Business and Community Liaison

Alaska Job Corps Center, Palmer, AK

May 2019 to Present

Currently serving in a management capacity as the direct link from the center director to the Alaska Business and Governmental communities. Serve in other capacities as needed to ensure smooth operations of the Alaska Job Corps Center. The Alaska Job Corps Center has 100 staff and a budget of over \$20 million annually.

Consultant

Alcantra & Associates, Palmer, AK and Anchorage, AK

July 2016 to April 2019
September 2000 to March 2002

Provide consulting services for diverse clientele from political strategy to researching permitting actions needed for development.

- ◆ Provided legislative and congressional consulting for clients, primarily municipalities and villages
- ◆ Research permits for resource development projects
- ◆ Represent clients as needed in Juneau during Legislative session

Financial Advisor

Edward Jones, Palmer, AK

June 2014 to June 2016

Member of national financial institution focused on assisting families in saving for children education funds and working with long-term investors to achieve their financial independence in retirement years. Primary duties included development and management of diverse clientele base and education about fiscal opportunities.

- ◆ Develop and manage individual clientele base
- ◆ Organize and communicate financial benefits for individual accounts
- ◆ Participate in regional training opportunities

Government Relations Director

March 2002 to January 2014

National Education Association, Anchorage, Anchorage, AK

Member of senior public affairs and advocacy team responsible for planning and implementation of statewide education policy. Primary duties included organizing volunteers, facilitating trainings specific to member generation, strategic planning and budgeting for governmental responsibilities, and representing NEA-Alaska during the legislative session.

- ◆ Direct all government relations with federal, state and local governmental entities
- ◆ Liaison and interact with legislators, school board members and congressional delegation
- ◆ Organize members for issues and candidate campaigns
- ◆ Research and establish positions on state policies and practices
- ◆ Coordinate with public affairs team, written and media campaigns for public consumption
- ◆ Trainings and legislative fly-ins
- ◆ Political Action Committee on Education (PACE) and Public Affairs budget
- ◆ Addressed groups from 5-1500 people on education policy

Emergency Management Coordinator

Feb. 1997 to September 2000

Kenai Peninsula Borough, Soldotna, AK

Appointed and hired by the KPB Mayor to provide borough wide emergency services, coordination and response. Represent the KPB in federal and statewide emergency functions including planning to implementation of disaster declaration efforts. Managed and supervised a staff of ten.

- ◆ Provide oversight for annual \$2 million dollar departmental budget
- ◆ Project manager for \$5 million hazardous mitigation project
- ◆ Managed three state disaster declarations and one federal declaration for flooding
- ◆ Liaison to local emergency planning committee and 911 board

Congressional Liaison Officer & Chief of Staff

Sept. 1994 to January 1997

Federal Emergency Management Administration, Bothell, WA & Ft. Richardson, AK

- ◆ Duty locations included: Anchorage, AK, Seattle, WA, and Washington DC
- ◆ Supervised up to 80 staff in Alaska Operations office
- ◆ Point of contact for Alaska Congressional Delegation and constituency
- ◆ Provide written and oral reports on activities

Education

General Studies focused on Political Science, University of Alaska and University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
High School Diploma, Valhalla High School, El Cajon, CA

Industry Related Trainings

- ◆ Method and Techniques of adult learning
- ◆ National Staff Organization – WAR College
- ◆ Just Cause & Arbitrations
- ◆ NEPA Compliance & Hazards Mitigation

Volunteer

- ◆ Board of Directors - Mat-Su Miners Baseball
- ◆ Palmer High School Swim & Dive Team Booster Vice-President
- ◆ Board of Directors – American Red Cross-Alaska
- ◆ Board of Directors - Kids are People
- ◆ Soccer Coach – Palmer Recreational Soccer Club

References

Mayor Mike Navarre, Kenai, Alaska	(907) 394-2300
Tom Harvey, Executive Director, NEA-Alaska	(207) 739-9557
Barb Angaiak, Former President NEA-Alaska, Bethel, Alaska	(907) 299-9230



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Full Legal Name: _____ Joshua David Tudor _____
 Residence Address: _____ 1040 Josselin Lane, Palmer AK 99645 _____ Mailing Address:
 _____ 1040 Josseling Lane, Palmer AK 99645 _____ Phone Number(s):
 Home: _____ Work: 907-390-0793 Cell: _907-982-1591 _ Email Address:
 ___jtudor1984@gmail.com_____
 Employer: _____ North Peak IT, LLC _____ Occupation: _____ CEO _____
 Registered Voter? Yes No I have lived within the Palmer City limits since: _____ 2009 _____

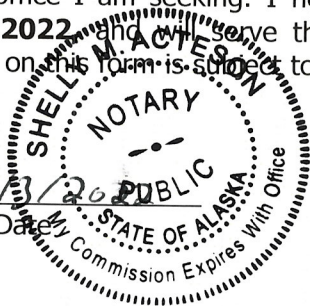
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I would like to serve on the Palmer City Council for the simple reason that I want to serve my community. I moved here 15 years ago and just fell in love with the City of Palmer. I moved my business here and I have been raising my family here. I am active in my church, BNI, and currently serve on Planning and Zoning as the Vice Chair. In 2013 I received my MBA and I will be able to work hard to make Palmer an attractive destination to not just residents, but businesses as well.

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 Applicant Signature | Date: 5/3/2022



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Supplemental Questions

City of Palmer Council Seat Vacancy

1. What is your understanding of the role of a City Council Member?

My understanding is the basic role of a City Council Member is to represent the community as the legislative branch of the city government. City Council Members work with the community and staff members of the city government to help ensure the rights and desires of the community are met.

2. Tell us what has prepared you to be a Council Member.

Being on Planning and Zoning has been the best preparation for being on City Council. Another thing that has prepared me is being a business owner and learning what kinds of things not only residents of the community would like to see for the future of Palmer, but also what small businesses need.

3. Why are you interested in serving as a Council Member?

I want to be able to give back to the community that has given so much to me. I have been raising my family here, I love to walk to work to be more present in Palmer, and my business is here. I want to see Palmer grow but still retain what makes Palmer great and have a welcoming small town feel.

4. Describe your understanding of the time commitment associated with serving on the City Council and are you prepared to meet it?

I understand that City Council will be much more of a time commitment than Planning and Zoning and I am prepared to meet it. I understand that besides the meetings there is a lot of work done outside of that from meeting with members of the community to meetings with city staff and other stakeholders in Palmer.

5. Do you have any scheduled vacations or commitments that would keep you from attending Council Meetings?

In late August/early September I will be gone for about 2 weeks to visit my parents.

6. What does it mean to you that all deliberations and actions taken by a public entity must be done in public view? Please explain.

This was strongly explained to me from my training for Planning and Zoning. I understand that all deliberations and actions must be done in public view to meet The Open Meetings Act, but is also critical for a democracy.

Joshua Tudor

1040 Josselin Lane □ Palmer, AK 99645 □ Phone: 907-982-1591 □ jtudor1984@gmail.com

CEO of North Peak IT

Results-driven IT professional with success in a broad range of network administration, business administration, and all other aspects of clinical IT. Responsible for planning, analysis, and implementation of solutions in support of business objectives. Creative Problem solving and troubleshooting skills with the ability to adapt quickly to learn and support new technologies and business objectives. Strong ability to communicate well with other IT professionals, and other stakeholders from end users to business owners.

Expertise Highlights

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Network & Systems Administration ■ Strategic Technology Planning ■ Data/Business/Systems Analysis ■ Purchasing and Budgeting ■ Staff Training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ VoIP troubleshooting ■ Major Software/Systems Implementations ■ Systems Security & Disaster Recovery Planning ■ Testing/Documentation ■ Technical Writing (Manuals)
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Technology Summary

Certifications:	Cisco certified Network Professional (CCNP) (expired 2012), Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE)
Applications:	Synapse PACS, Synapse RIS, Osirix, Dragon Naturally Speaking, GE Centricity IW PACS, and many others. Microsoft Office, Symantec Backup Exec, Symantec Endpoint Security, Citrix XenApp, VMware Fusion.
Systems:	Windows Server 2008 R2, Windows Server 2003, Windows 8, Windows 7, Windows XP, Cisco IOS, Sonicwall SSL-VPN, Sonicwall OS, VMware ESX.

Professional Experience

North Peak IT, LLC – Palmer, AK	2012 to Present
CEO	

Founder and CEO of successful and growing IT Services Company aimed at small businesses IT support and consulting. Responsible for all aspects of the business including marketing/sales to doing technical support for clients. Manage a team of professionals from receptionists to I.T. techs, to marketers. Also responsible for devising strategies and analyzing financials for the business operation, ROI reports on new service offerings, and contract negotiation for new and existing clients. As the sales/marketing person I am responsible for meeting with potential clients, finding points of pain, and fixing those.

Key Results:

- Saved company over 46,000 a year through contract negotiation and by adopting virtualization and by streamlining IT department purchasing.
- Grew North Peak IT from a 1 person company to 7 staff members.
- Grew North Peak IT to manage over 1,400 devices across Alaska and the lower 48
- Worked on marketing campaigns that have grown the company by over 20% quarter by quarter

- Sustained growth to double digits year over year.

Alaska Open Imaging Center – Wasilla, AK	2005 to 2012
IT Manager/PACS Manager	

Advanced to position of IT Manager and was the sole IT person for the company responsible for every aspect of the IT department. Implemented and managed the Synapse PACS and RIS platform as well as all other patient imaging platforms. Worked on large scale enterprise migration projects, systems conversions and performance tuning and monitoring of applications/systems. Managed activities of the RIS Administrator/Help Desk employee and trained employee for IT certifications. Supported large geographical area with offices from Fairbanks to Soldotna with over 60 users at the peak of operation. Represents the company by going to customer offices and training their staff in the patient image viewing systems.

Key Results:

- Saved company over 46,000 a year through contract negotiation and by adopting virtualization and by streamlining IT department purchasing.
- Working with vendors, migrated company information to new RIS and PACS systems.
- Migrated from Exchange 2003 to Exchange 2010 as well as from Server 2003 to Server 2008 R2.
- Proposed and implemented virtualization infrastructure using VMware and Citrix.

GCI- Anchorage, AK	2005 to 2005
Integrated Technical Support	

Worked in GCI call center troubleshooting networking related issues with customers. Passed technical data from customers to the central network command center.

Key Results:

- Assisted customers with various technical problems related to internet problems such as loss of connectivity and DNS issues.
- Worked with customers with their NICs and firewalls.
- Advised corporate customers on how to set up their networks to work with GCI

Education

Texas A&M University-Commerce – COMMERCE, TX
Master of Business Administration – 2013

WESTERN GOVERNORS UNIVERSITY – SALT LAKE CITY, UT
Bachelor of Science in Information Technology – 2009

CHARTER COLLEGE – ANCHORAGE, AK
Associates degree in Computer Science – 2005



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Full Legal Name: Thomas Frederick Ojala IV
 Residence Address: 520 W Montana DR, Palmer, AK 99645
 Mailing Address: 520 W Montana DR, Palmer, AK 99645
 Phone Number(s): Home: 907 330 9744 Work: 907 330 9744 Cell: 907 330 9744
 Email Address: OjalaTFR@yahoo.com
 Employer: ASRC Federal Services Occupation: Electrical Tech for U.S Army
 Registered Voter? Yes No I have lived within the Palmer City limits since: 2015

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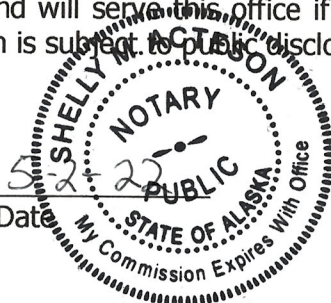
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I have an interest in the vacant City council seat because
I feel the the previous members of the council did not represent
the values of the community and I would be a great Representative
of the beliefs and principles of the Palmer community.

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Supplemental Questions

City of Palmer Council Seat Vacancy

1. What is your understanding of the role of a City Council Member?
My understanding of a City Council member is that the Council helps run and shape the Palmer community in a way that reflects the will of the people of Palmer while growing the community.
2. Tell us what has prepared you to be a Council Member.
I have been on many councils in the past: Apprenticeship Councils and Job Safety Councils specifically. I have a good understanding of how councils operate.
3. Why are you interested in serving as a Council Member?
I am interested in serving on the Palmer City Council because I have lived in and around Palmer my whole life. Due to the vacancy on the Council I see an opportunity to serve the community and get Palmer on the right track.
4. Describe your understanding of the time commitment associated with serving on the City Council and are you prepared to meet it? I understand that the commitment is to meet several times a month to discuss city business and to occasionally meet in addition to that for special circumstances. I am prepared to give my time for this to help make Palmer a great place to live.
5. Do you have any scheduled vacations or commitments that would keep you from attending Council Meetings? I do not currently have any commitments that will interfere with serving on the Council. I also have no plans for anything that will interfere for the future.
6. What does it mean to you that all deliberations and actions taken by a public entity must be done in public view? Please explain. Doing business in public view is imperative to gaining trust of the people you are representing on the Council. Full transparency of business lets the people know how you are running the business on their behalf. Closed deliberations and actions is where corruption and special interests take over, not the will of the people.