

RECEIVED
Date: 2-27

April 2003

ROGERS PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Newsletter for the Rogers Park, College Village and Anchor Park Neighborhoods

Meeting: Projects, Merrill, Liquor

This month, Merrill Field Manager David Lundeby will give us an update on operations at Merrill, including changes in FAA traffic patterns (with diagrams), new projects, and the outlook on aircraft noise.

Next, we'll discuss our Capital Improvements Project rankings—the basis for muni decisions about what road and park improvements will be made in our area in coming years. If you need more info than the article and ballot in this issue provide, join the discussion and turn in your ballot then. (Meeting day is the deadline.)

A representative from Brown Jug will talk about liquor license renewal procedures, as well as issues related to homeless inebriates, greenbelt camping, and what the local liquor industry is doing to help with the impacts on neigh-

borhoods. They've got some very interesting information.

Finally, we'll have the usual info and updates on road projects and other goings-on—and take comments and questions from all of you.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, April 14, 7-8:30 pm
Rogers Park Elementary Library

Agenda

1. Introduction of officers and guests
2. Merrill Field update
3. Capital projects ranking
4. Liquor licensing and related issues

*Meeting schedule: second Mondays
except in summer months.*

Capital Project Rankings: Vote your Choice

On page 2 you'll find a ballot for ranking capital projects that affect our area. Voice your opinion as we tell the muni our priorities.

Deadline: Mail ballots to the council address (p. 2) to arrive by April 14. If you have questions, join us for discussion at the April 14 meeting and hand in your ballot then.

Ranking procedure: Please use 1, 2, 3, etc. to indicate your prefer-

ences in order, starting with #1 as most important. You don't have to vote for them all.

Existing projects: Those on the list that are marked with * are already scheduled and funded or in bonds on the April 1 ballot. Our council has devoted a lot of time and energy to getting them approved. The muni needs to know we're still committed to them.

MARCH MINUTES

Bonds on the April 1 Ballot

Presentations were made by Roger Fiedler, Anchorage School District (ASD); Mary Rasmussen, Library Advisory Board; Bob Butera, representing Anchorage Tomorrow; and Greg Moyer, MOA Ombudsman. Bonds include:

Proposition 9 funds two emergency preparedness/safety projects, and selects and acquires school sites in Anchorage and Eagle River/Chugiak. Proposition 10 funds an administrative and training facility for ASD. Proposition 11 funds school renovations and constructing a new high school in Eagle River.

Proposition 3 funds site acquisition, design, and construction of libraries in Anchorage, Girdwood, and Eagle River.

Proposition 4 funds 2 projects affecting RPCC: traffic calming and safety improvements, and Lake Otis/15th Avenue pedestrian improvements. Proposition 7 funds one project affecting RPCC: Eastchester/Sitka (Woodside) Park improvements. Proposition 8 funds parks projects, but none affecting RPCC.

Proposition 2 changes the percentage of votes required for the mayoral election from 50% plus 1 vote to 45% plus 1 vote. Proposition 18 provides 11 equal single-member districts for the Assembly instead of the current five 2-member districts plus one member for downtown.

Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance

Assemblyman Doug Van Etten's ordinance provides a legal way for people with R1, *cont. on back page*

ROGERS PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

2640 Shepherdia Dr.
Anchorage, AK 99508
276-2955 / Fax -2989
marshallRPCC@earthlink.net

Loren Marshall President
Dan Graham Vice President
Diana Evans Secretary
John Christopherson Treasurer
Bob Butera Past President

[http://www.communitycouncils.org/
rogers.html](http://www.communitycouncils.org/rogers.html)

Minutes (cont.)

R1a, and R10 property to add another dwelling unit to their property, with numerous restrictions. The ordinance goes to the Planning and Zoning Commission for hearing on April 14. Doug Van Etten: 244-6610.

RPCC Officer Elections

Newly elected RPCC officers: President - Loren Marshall, VP - Dan Graham, Secretary - Diana Evans, Treasurer - John Christopherson, Past President - Bob Butera. We thank out-going Vice President David Lockard for his service.

Other Topics

MOA Ombudsman, Greg Moyer (343-MUNI or GregM@gci.net.) described his position and how he serves Anchorage citizens, and mentioned the MUNI elections homepage (<http://www.muni.org/assembly2/election.cfm>); liquor license renewals at Marriot Residence Inn and Brown Jug (latter inactive); the University Medical (UMED) district plan; RPCC Capital Improvement Project ranking; and, the Northern Lights sound barrier project.

Clip and Mail

Ranking Ballot—Capital Projects

(rank most important #1, next 2, etc.)

- Chester Creek/Sitka Park trail connection (extend Maplewood spur across the creek and north).
- Eastchester (Woodside) Park improvements: picnic/recreational facilities, landscaping, etc.
- *Fireweed Ln./LaTouche St. upgrade, New Seward to N. Lights.
- *Land purchase for New Seward buffer, north of Fireweed.
- Lighting for Chester Creek Trail connection at Juneau St.
- N. Lights/Benson median widening/landscaping.
- N. Lights/Benson sound barriers.
- *Traffic calming and safety improvements (sidewalks on school routes, speed reduction, etc).
- Other

THIS NEWSLETTER WAS PAID FOR BY A GRANT FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

Non-Profit Organization
U.S. Postage Paid
Anchorage, AK
Permit #502

ROGERS PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Federation of Community Councils
401 E. Northern Lights Blvd., #204
Anchorage, AK 99503-2814