

SPENARD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting at 7pm, March 2, 2005, at the Spenard Recreation Center

AGENDA & NEWSLETTER

1. Legislative Teleconference
2. Minutes and Agenda Action
3. Assembly Reports
4. Alaska Railroad Capital Improvements
5. Roads and Drainage Bond
6. Candidates Forum
7. Boettcher Subdivision Plans
8. Committee Reports
9. Old and New Business

NORTHWOOD DRIVE PROJECT

Steve Noble from Dowl Engineers updated the Council at the February meeting about the upgrades on Northwood Drive (between Spenard Road and International Airport Road) that will soon be coming our way. Construction is expected to occur over the next two summers. A public meeting about the project will occur on March 9 at 7pm at the Spenard Recreation Center.

35th & McCRAE ROAD PROJECT

CRW Engineering Group has completed its Draft Design Study Report for the planned improvements to McRae Road and 35th Ave (between Spenard Road and Wisconsin Avenue). The draft alternatives contained in the Report will be presented and discussed on March 9 at 7pm at Lake Hood Elementary (3601 W.40th).

UPCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Matt Claman is challenging incumbent Dan Sullivan for the Westside Assembly seat in the April election. Both candidates are invited to the March Spenard Community Council meeting for a candidates forum where members will have a chance to ask questions and hear directly from the candidates.

Anchorage Tomorrow, a nonprofit organization, will give a short presentation at the March meeting regarding the Roads and Drainage Bond which will also be on the ballot at the April election.

ALASKA RAILROAD CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

The Alaska Railroad will make a short presentation at the March meeting to discuss their capital improvement projects, which will include the possibility of rail capacity improvements between the Anchorage Yard and the spur leading to the Airport.

BOETTCHER SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT PLANNED

Ersin Aygun, the owner of Lots 1 and 2, Boettcher Subdivision, next to Gwennies on Spenard Road, is proposing to put in a car rental business on the previously

undeveloped lots. Lot 1, closest to Spenard Road, is zoned B-3 while Lot 2 behind it is zoned R-3SL. The matter will be discussed at the March meeting.

ANCHORAGE PARKS PLAN UPDATE

The draft Anchorage Parks Plan, an update to the 1985 Plan, has been completed and will go before the Planning and Zoning Commission on March 14, 2005. Comments on the Plan are due March 4, 2005. A copy of the draft will be available at the March meeting.

LAKE HOOD AND GENERAL AVIATION MASTER PLAN

An open house and presentation on various alternatives for developing general aviation opportunities will occur on March 8, 2005, from 6:30pm-8:00 pm at the DOT&PF Central Region Office, 4111 Aviation Drive.

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