# KENAI BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING DECEMBER 14, 2021 – 6:00 P.M. KENAI CITY HALL CHAIR LISA GABRIEL, PRESIDING

### MEETING SUMMARY

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gabriel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

## a. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Gabriel led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### b. Roll was confirmed as follows:

Committee Members present: Chair L. Gabriel, T. Wilson, E. Heale, J. Phillips, S. Douthit

Committee Members absent: B. Roland

Staff/Council Liaison present: Parks & Recreation Administrative Assistant T. Best,

Council Liaison Sounart

A quorum was present.

## c. Agenda Approval

#### MOTION:

Committee Member Heale MOVED to approve the agenda and Vice Chair Wilson SECONDED the motion. There were no objections; SO ORDERED.

#### UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

### 3. OLD BUSINESS

### a. Discussion - Pumpkin Festival

Assistant Best reviewed the 2021 Pumpkin Festival, noting the high attendance. Suggestions for future festivals included more pumpkins in the pumpkin drop, more food trucks and live music. It was noted that the petting zoo was missed in 2021.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

#### a. Discussion/Recommendation - 2022 Summer Beautification

Assistant Best reviewed the proposed flower order included in the packet. The committee discussed preferred colors and varieties, and how flower selection could be improved by adding more vibrant colors and varying heights. Suggestions included ordering flowers for the Erik Hansen Scout Park and Historic Cabin sign, wildflowers for Doctor's cabin, and a greenhouse

tour for committee members prior to planting of flowers. The committee commented on how they enjoyed the plant day vs. plant week in the past; a hybrid of this may be planned for 2022. Plans for wildflower management were clarified.

## 5. COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Committee Member Phillips wished everyone a Merry Christmas, happy New Year and have a great season

Committee Member Douthit noted the upcoming joint meeting with the Parks & Recreation Commission. Noted that she enjoys the group and is excited for summer, wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Committee Member Heale inquired about snow clearing from City sidewalks, and noted she would like to see it improved.

Vice Chair Wilson noted that she likes the idea of the greenhouse tour, and looks forward to summer.

Council Liaison Sounart suggested an annual rotational flower display, and discussed ideas for contrasting flower colors.

Chair Gabriel thanked Administrative Assistant Best for his work on the Fall Festival, noted she would like to see the committee more involved in the winter static displays as they have been in the past, and requested a discussion of the Leif Hansen park fountain be on their next meeting agenda.

- ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT None.
- INFORMATION ITEMS None.

### 8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Meeting summary prepared and submitted by:

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