

**KENAI CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN
MARCH 7, 2022 – 5:00 P.M.
KENAI CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
210 FIDALGO AVE., KENAI, AK 99611
MAYOR GABRIEL, PRESIDING**

NOTES

Council present: B. Gabriel, H. Knackstedt, J. Baisden, T. Winger, J. Glendening, G. Pettey, D. Sounart

Others present: City Manager P. Ostrander, Planning Director R. Foster, City Clerk S. Saner

A. Call to Order

Mayor Gabriel called the work session to order at 5:15 p.m.

B. Introduction – Mayor Gabriel & Paul Ostrander, City Manager

Mayor Gabriel welcomed everyone and noted the purpose of the work session was to review and discuss the Draft Land Management Plan (LMP) and the recommended amendments to the LMP made by members of the public, the boards and commissions of the City, and Council Members.

C. Public Comment

Bob Molloy stated his appreciation for the approach taken with LMP specifically the public outreach and review by the board and commission of the City. He noted that he agreed with all of the recommendations made by the Parks & Recreation and Beautification Committee; with respect to the Airport Commission he disagreed with recommendation one and agreed with recommendation no two; and for the Planning and Zoning Commission he did not agree with recommendations three and four.

There was discussion related to the importance of retaining land for noise mitigation from the activities of the Airport; the Airport Master Plan and future development of Floatplane Road; additions to the LMP to include evaluation of property for acquisition by the city for future public purposes; and ensuring that the LMP aligned with the Airport Master Plan and the Comprehensive Plan "Imagine Kenai 2030".

D. City of Kenai Draft Land Management Plan

City Manager Ostrander noted that it had become clear through the meetings with the boards and commissions that the LMP was intended to be used as a tool by the administration to inventory and recommend uses for City owned properties and this work session would provide direction from the Council as to which recommendations should be formalized in to motions to be made during the LMP Public Hearing.

The individual recommendations received from members of the public, City Council Members and the boards and commission of the City were discussed; and each map within the LMP

was reviewed for additional possible proposed amendments or future public use of individual parcel.

There was discussion regarding the financial obligation of the City to purchase Airport properties at fair market value if retained by the City; expanding the definition of dispose to include trade or donate; a parcel designated for disposal would still require Council action prior to final disposal; retention of specific parcels for the purpose of recreational activities; the LMP would eliminate the need for individual legislation items to define a parcels status of dispose or retain; and the possibility of parcels status being affected by the Waterfront Revitalization Project or the Bluff Stabilization Project.

E. Council Discussion

Discussion took place throughout the work session.

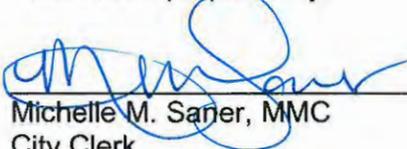
F. Public Comment

None.

G. Adjournment

The work session adjourned approximately at 8:40 p.m.

Notes were prepared by:



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