



**CITY OF WASILLA**  
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**MAYOR**  
Sarah Palin  
**COUNCIL**  
Norman Fuller, Seat A  
Dianne M. Keller, Seat B  
David W. Chappel, Seat C  
Judy Patrick, Seat D  
Colleen G. Cottle, Seat E  
Domonic L. Carney, Seat F

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**WASILLA CITY COUNCIL  
TENTATIVE MEETING AGENDA**

**REGULAR MEETING                      7 P.M.                      MONDAY, MARCH 9, 1998**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Minutes Of Preceding Meetings:
    1. Regular Meeting Minutes: February 23, 1998
  - B. Introductions (Suggested Public Hearing: March 23, 1998)
    1. Ordinance Serial No. 98-06: "An Ordinance Adopting 6.04.090, Fiscal Policies, Collection Agency Use Authorized And Amending 6.50.180(B), Delinquent Taxes-Notice." (IM No. 98-21)
    2. Ordinance Serial No. 98-12: "An Ordinance Of The City Of Wasilla Alaska Providing For Three Readings For Ordinances, Adopting WMC 1.20.025, Ordinance Enactment Procedure, Adopting WMC 1.20.035, Ordinance, Form And Content, Amending WMC 1.20.040, Non-Code Ordinances, And WMC 1.20.050, Emergency Ordinances, Repealing WMC 1.20.020, 1.20.030, 1.20.060 And 1.20.070 Relating To Ordinance Requirements." (IM No. 98-29) (Requested By Council Member Carney)

3. An Ordinance Of The City Of Wasilla Alaska Providing For Two Readings For Ordinances, Adopting WMC 1.20.025, Ordinance Enactment Procedure, Adopting WMC 1.20.035, Ordinance, Form And Content, Amending WMC 1.20.040, Non-Code Ordinances, And WMC 1.20.050, Emergency Ordinances, Repealing WMC 1.20.020, 1.20.030, 1.20.060 And 1.20.070 Relating To Ordinance Requirements.” (IM No. 98-29) (Requested By Council Member Carney)
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5. Ordinance Serial No. 98-15: “Amending The FY-98 Budget By Appropriating Additional Funds To The Library Fund.”
6. Ordinance Serial No. 98-16: “Amending The FY-98 Budget By Appropriating Additional Funds To The Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Fund 02 For Upgrade Of The Heating System In City Hall And Building Modifications. (IM No. 98-27)

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D. Council Memorandums

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  - A. Ordinance Serial No. 98-05 "An Ordinance Amending WMC 2.32, City Attorney." (IM No. 98-15)
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7. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)
  - A. Bernadette Rupright, Skateboard Park
  - B. Margaret Volz, Children's Advocacy Center
  - C. Curtis Philbin, Taxi Cabs
8. COMMISSION REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
10. NEW BUSINESS
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Wasilla Parks & Recreation Meeting Minutes, January 20, 1998

B. Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes, February 10, 1998.

13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (Three minutes per person)

15. COUNCIL COMMENTS

16. ADJOURNMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, March 9, 1998, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Sarah Palin.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Palin.

3. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Nick Carney  
Mr. Dave Chappel  
Mr. Norman Fuller  
Mrs. Dianne Keller  
Mrs. Judy Patrick

Council Member Colleen Cottle was absent and excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Mrs. Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk  
Mrs. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk  
Mr. Ken Jacobus, City Attorney  
Mr. John Cramer, Deputy Administrator  
Ms. Mary Ellen Baker, Library Director  
Mr. Charlie Fannon, Police Chief  
Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner  
Mr. Erling Nelson, Finance Director  
Mrs. Cindy Roberts, Director of Public Works

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Palin requested the following changes:

- To add Curtis Philbin under persons to be heard.
- Bernadette Rupright will be speaking for Francis Good, under persons to be heard.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection to the approval of the agenda as amended.

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MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt the consent agenda.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel requested that Ordinance Serial Nos. 98-12 and 98-13 be moved from the consent agenda to new business.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

Council Member Chappel requested that Ordinance Serial No. 98-16 be scheduled for public hearing and final action at the next meeting.

Council Member Patrick requested that Ordinance Serial No. 98-14 be scheduled for public hearing and final action at the next meeting.

Council Member Keller requested that Ordinance Serial No. 98-15 be scheduled for public hearing and final action at the next meeting.

Council Member Patrick requested that Ordinance Serial No. 98-06 be scheduled for public hearing only at the next meeting.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved, Council Member Chappel seconded, to divide the question on the items for introduction.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

ORDINANCE NO. 98-06: Council Member Patrick's request to schedule Ordinance Serial No. 98-06 for public hearing only at the next meeting, passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 98-14: Council Member Patrick's request to schedule Ordinance Serial No. 98-14 for public hearing and final action at the next meeting, passed with Council Member Carney opposed.

ORDINANCE NO. 98-15: Council Member Keller's request to schedule Ordinance Serial No. 98-15 for public hearing and final action at the next meeting, passed with Council Member Carney opposed.

ORDINANCE NO. 98-16: Council Member Chappel's request to schedule Ordinance Serial No. 98-16 for public hearing and final action at the next meeting, passed with Council Member Carney opposed.

VOTE: The main motion to adopt the remaining consent agenda items passed unanimously.

Mayor Palin welcomed Joan (Yohawn) Lunell an exchange student from Sweden to the meeting.

## 6. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Ordinance Serial No. 98-05 "An Ordinance Amending WMC 2.32, City Attorney." (IM No. 98-15)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing, and there being no persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

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- C. Ordinance Serial No. 98-09: "An Ordinance Amending The FY-98 Budget By Appropriating Additional Funds To The Youth Court For The Youth Court Video Project." (IM No. 98-20)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

The following person spoke in favor of the youth court program: Mrs. Kelly Mahoney

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

- D. Ordinance Serial No. 98-10: "An Ordinance Authorizing Annexation Of Certain Properties (T17N, R1W, Section 11, Tax Parcel B1 And Hurley Loop Right-Of-Way) Into The Corporate Boundaries Of The City Of Wasilla." (IM No. 98-23)

The following spoke in opposition to the ordinance and a Fred Meyer Store being cited on Wasilla Lake: Mrs. Katie Hurley, Mrs. Susan Alexander-Derrera, Mrs. Jana Griffin, and Ms. Kelly Mahoney.

Mr. Scott McLean, a representative for Fred Meyer, and Mr. Shymadeva Dandapani, broker for the Fred Meyer answered questions from the council.

Discussion followed.

The following spoke in favor of the ordinance: Mrs. Bernadette Rupright.

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

- E. Ordinance Serial No. 98-11: "An Ordinance Of The Wasilla City Council Amending Chapter 13.12, Commercial Sales On City Property By Repealing WMC 13.12.010 And Adopting WMC 13.12.020 - 13.12.070, Permits For Vending In Public Use Areas Within The City Limits Of Wasilla." (IM No. 98-22) (Requested by Council Member Keller)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Mrs. Kathy Krell, Chair of Friends of Wonderland:

- Supports Ordinance Serial No. 98-11.
- Suggested amending the ordinance to define the number of permits issued.

- Requested the council amend the ordinance to allow a permit waiver fee for non - profit groups.

The following spoke in favor of the ordinance: Mr. John Harris, Mrs. Deb Remus, Ms. Bernadette Rupright, and Mr. Ted Anderson.

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Palin announced that Ordinance Nos. 98-05, 98-08, 98-09, 98-10, and 98-11 will be scheduled for final action at the meeting of March 23, 1998.

## 7. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- A. Bernadette Rupright, on behalf of the Skateboard Committee:
- Highlighted many of their fund raising activities.
  - Requested that the city draft an ordinance allocating \$65,000 for the construction of the Skateboard Park this spring.
- B. Ms. Margaret Volz and Ms. Cathy Baldwin Johnson, Children's Advocacy Center:
- Presented an overview of the proposed Children's Advocacy Center in Wasilla and requested support from the city.
- C. Mr. Curtis Philbin
- Stated that he is concerned about business being conducted within the city without proper licensing and tax collection mechanisms in place.

## 8. COMMISSION REPORTS

- A. Ms. Denise Loyer, Parks and Recreation Commission:
- Reported that she is proposing changing the parks and recreation meeting date and considering increasing their meetings from one per month to two, beginning in the fall.
  - Questioned whether or not every issue under consideration by the parks and recreation commission must go through the planning commission prior to being heard by the council.
- B. Mr. Kevin Baker, Wasilla Planning Commission:
- Reported that Commissioner Newcomb was elected chair and Commissioner Bennett was elected vice-chair person of the planning commission.

- Stated that two petitions have been filed to amend the zoning map, one in Adventure Estates and a large parcel of property towards the west end of the city.
- Commented that the draft trails plan which was approved by the parks and recreation commission was presented to the planning commission.
- Informed the council that a tour was taken of the city on March 7 to review progress of the city and commented that another tour may be scheduled in the future for those who were unable to attend.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance Serial No. 98-12: "An Ordinance Of The City Of Wasilla Alaska Providing For Three Readings For Ordinances, Adopting WMC 1.20.025, Ordinance Enactment Procedure, Adopting WMC 1.20.035, Ordinance, Form And Content, Amending WMC 1.20.040, Non-Code Ordinances, And WMC 1.20.050, Emergency Ordinances, Repealing WMC 1.20.020, 1.20.030, 1.20.060 And 1.20.070 Relating To Ordinance Requirements." (IM No. 98-29) (Requested By Council Member Carney)

MOTION: Council Member Carney moved, Council Member Fuller seconded, to introduce Ordinance Serial No. 98-12 and schedule a public hearing at the next regular meeting.

VOTE: The motion failed with Council Members Carney and Fuller in favor.

- B. Ordinance Serial No. 98-13: "An Ordinance Of The City Of Wasilla Alaska Providing For Two Readings For Ordinances, Adopting WMC 1.20.025, Ordinance Enactment Procedure, Adopting WMC 1.20.035, Ordinance, Form And Content, Amending WMC 1.20.040, Non-Code Ordinances, And WMC 1.20.050, Emergency Ordinances, Repealing WMC 1.20.020, 1.20.030, 1.20.060 And 1.20.070 Relating To Ordinance Requirements." (IM No. 98-29) (Requested By Council Member Carney)

MOTION: Council Member Carney moved, Council Member Chappel seconded, to introduce Ordinance Serial No. 98-13 and schedule a public hearing at the next regular meeting.

VOTE: The motion passed with Council Member Patrick opposed.

## 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

## 12. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Wasilla Parks & Recreation Meeting Minutes, January 20, 1998
- B. Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes, February 10, 1998.

No action was taken on any of the communication items.

## 13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Mayor Palin:

- Informed the council that the city clerk and chief of police are meeting with the city of Palmer to address the issue of taxi cabs and chauffeurs licensing.
- Reported that over the weekend that 18 vehicles were broke into. The officers tracked down the suspects and recovered about \$1,500 worth of stolen property.
- Announced that the Mat-Su Cinema will have a special showing of a movie to support the K-9 dog unit in Wasilla.
- Commented that a skating party was held over the weekend at Wasilla Lake and it was very successful.
- Informed the council that skateboard park committee held a dinner and action on March 6 and raised approximately \$2,300.

Mayor Palin introduced the newly appointed Matanuska-Susitna Borough Manager, Mr. Mike Scott.

Discussion followed.

## 14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Todd Gilbert:

- Requested that the council support the Skateboard Park.
- Presented to the council hand made miniature skateboards.

Cameron Coles:

- Requested that the council support the Skateboard Park.

Sue Gilbert:

- Supports the Skateboard Park in Wasilla.
- Updated the council on the pass through grant feasibility study, provided by Mat-Su Services for Children.

Anne Kilkenny:

- Thanked the council and administration for their action on the driveway apron ordinance.
- Clarified that she did not object to the council taking action on the ordinance in her absence.
- Supports three readings of all ordinances.

## 15. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Carney:

- Questioned why the council did not introduce Ordinance Serial No. 98-13 in order to receive public input.
- Requested that the clerk prepare an amendment for Ordinance No. 98-13 to allow for three readings of ordinances.

Council Member Keller:

- Requested clarification from the attorney on the opinion regarding a council members duty to vote and inquired about the penalty for refusing to vote.
- Commended the chamber of commerce for the fire works display, as well as, all of the other Iditarod Days festivities.
- Thanked the Wasilla Area Seniors for supporting the location of a Fred Meyer Store in Wasilla.
- Supports the efforts of the skateboard committee.
- Reported that she attended the recent borough assembly meeting and gave an overview.
- Encouraged the public to contact their local legislators to voice opposition to Senate Bill 11 and commented on a variety of other issues before the legislature.
- Invited members of the chamber of commerce to attend the council meetings.

Council Member Patrick:

- Urged the skateboard committee to pursue a partnership with larger local businesses in their efforts to raise funds.

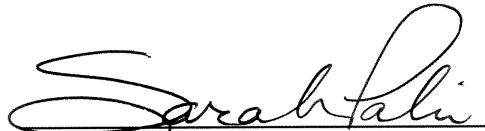
Council Member Chappel:

- Thanked the representatives of Fred Meyer for attending the meeting.

- Reported that he attend the city tour with the planning commissioners and noted that the Frontiersman was also in attendance and commented that the city tour was very informative and worthwhile.
- Supports Ordinance Serial No. 98-13, as it gives the council more flexibility.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

  
SARAH PALIN, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC/AEE  
City Clerk

Minutes Approved: 3/23/98