

**MINUTES OF THE
ANCHORAGE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING**

**Monday, June 21, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

Councilmembers in attendance were Diane Cook, Matt Delehanty, Patrick McMahon, Jason Walters, and Bill Wetherton. Also, in attendance were Mayor Neil Ramsey, City Administrator Reneé Major, and Clerk/Receptionist Angie Chick. Councilmember Hunter Wilson was absent.

Mayor Ramsey called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

MINUTES

Cook motioned to approve the June 14, 2021 regular city council meeting minutes. McMahon seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance Approving the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget – Second Reading

Cook conducted the second reading of the ordinance approving the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget and motioned to approve the ordinance as presented. Walters seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Impervious Surface Variance Request – Burtel, 604 Linden Drive

Jeremy and Mary Burtel presented an impervious surface variance request at the June 14, 2021 regular city council meeting for adding a 600-square foot covered patio to the rear of their home. Given that Council recommended input from contiguous neighbors that they have no issue with the plan or drainage problems, Major contacted the neighbors and several reported drainage issues in the area. Mayor Ramsey explained the City is working with Engineer Chris Crumpton to get input regarding the current 20% impervious surface limit and conditions for approving variances. Cook noted this property is already over the limit and the City has had several requests from residents for impervious surface variances. Council discussed the need for guidance on factors including mitigation, such as French drains, and percentage of increase being offset. McMahon motioned to deny the Burtel's impervious surface variance request. Delehanty seconded the motion. Cook, Delehanty, McMahon, and Walters voted to approve the motion to deny. Wetherton left prior to the vote. The motion passed. Cook suggested that the City's response letter state this is a problematic residential area, the property is already over the limit, and there was no hardship presented in this case; therefore, Council cannot approve a variance for additional impervious surface. Council agreed that all future variance requests need to include engineered plans obtained by the owners.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Civic Club 4th of July events: Fireworks at OCCC, July 2; Firecracker Run, July 3; Parade and Picnic, July 4; and Patriotic Mailbox Contest.

Cook motioned to adjourn the meeting. Delehanty seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Neil Ramsey, Mayor

Reneé M. Major, City Clerk