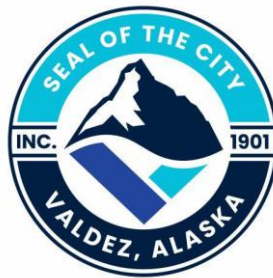


# City of Valdez

*212 Chenega Ave.  
Valdez, AK 99686*



## Action Summary

**Monday, May 5, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Regular Meeting - Rescheduled from 4/21/25**

**Council Chambers**

## **Beautification Commission**

**REGULAR AGENDA - 6:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

**Present** 5 - Magdalena McCay  
Donna Lane (Remote)  
Kathy Nielsen  
Meg Weaver  
Timi Miner

**Absent** 1 - Keena Miller

Also Present Elise Sorum-Birk, Commission Staff  
Sheri Pierce, City Clerk

III. PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no business from the floor.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Keena Miller joined the meeting remotely.

1. Approval of Recommendation to City Council to Fund B's Hive 2025 Beautification Matching Grant Project in the Amount of \$700

**MOTION:** Nielsen moved, seconded by Weaver, to approve recommendation to City Council to Fund B's Hive 2025 Beautification Matching Grant Project in the amount of \$610.

It was noted by that, while the agenda statement and request were for \$700 in funding, the actual amount for half the project expenses was \$610.

Discussion occurred on whether repainting was considered maintenance or beautification.

**VOTE ON MOTION**

**Yays:** 6 - McCay, Lane, Nielsen, Weaver, Miller, Miner

2. Approval of Recommendation to City Council to Fund Quad Shot Espresso 2025 Beautification Matching Grant Project in the Amount of \$7388.92

**MOTION:** Nielsen moved, seconded by Miner, to approve recommendation to City Council to fund Quad Shot Espresso 2025 Beautification Matching Grant Project in the amount of \$7388.92.

The applicant was asked about the impact of the State of Alaska right-of-way on the proposed improvements to the corner of the property. Discussion occurred about the removable and seasonal nature of certain portions of the proposed project.

**VOTE ON MOTION**

**Yays:** 6 - Commission Member McCay, Lane, Nielsen, Weaver, Miller, and Miner

3. Approval of Recommendation to City Council to Fund Captain Joe's Gas 2025 Beautification Grant Project in the Amount of \$12,500

**MOTION:** Nielsen moved, seconded by Miner, to approve recommendation to City Council to fund Captain Joe's Gas 2025 Beautification Grant Project in the amount of \$12,500.

Commissioners shared positive feedback on the application overall.

**VOTE ON MOTION**

**Yays:** 6 - Commission Member McCay, Lane, Nielsen, Weaver, Miller, and Miner

4. Approval of Recommendation to City Council to Fund Valdez Outfitters Shop 2025 Beautification Grant Project in the amount of \$12,500

**MOTION:** Nielsen moved, seconded by Lane, to approve recommendation to City Council to Fund Valdez Outfitters 2025 Beautification Grant Project in the amount of \$12,500.

Discussion took place on the existing program requirements and explicit exclusion of roof replacement projects.

**MOTION TO AMEND:** Nielsen moved, seconded by Miller, to indicate in the award letter that roof specific portions of project are ineligible for grant funding.

**VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND**

**Yays:** 6 - Commission Member McCay, Lane, Nielsen, Weaver, Miller, and Miner

**VOTE ON MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED**

**Yays:** 6 - Commission Member McCay, Lane, Nielsen, Weaver, Miller, and Miner

5. Discussion Items: Needed Repairs to Concrete Seat Walls and Decorative Planters on Egan Dr.

Discussion included:

- The existing maintenance agreement with the State of Alaska and whether there had been any recent conversation with the state on the topic of this agreement.
- Whether the state would assist with repairing damages they caused through snow removal.
- How city Public Works staff had completed some previous repairs for damaged incurred by city operations

- Options for making the design of the seat wall more resilient, including the possibility of making the seat portion removeable.
- A desire to ensure that repairs happened in a timely matter.
- A desire to involve the City Manager in the conversation.
- The overall need for a more comprehensive look at maintenance for the previous beautification project on Egan Drive.

**V. COMMISSION BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

There was no commission business from the floor.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**