

Council Priorities

- **Child Care** [Complete an operating, active, licensed childcare facility by Fall 2026]
 - Work underway @ HHES for District office relocation
- **Housing** [Increase housing stock by Fall 2027, utilizing the housing needs survey]
 - Housing Subcommittee meeting scheduled for 8/21
- **Maintenance** [Annually appropriate funds toward deferred maintenance on critical infrastructure]
 - Project status update on 2nd meeting of every month
- **Modernize Aging Infrastructure** [Annually modernize aging infrastructure, while leveraging natural and transportation assets, to expand: Outdoor Recreation, Tourism, Maritime, Community]

Essential Air Service

- Order issued for Reeve Air (Kenai Aviation) for 3 daily flights to Anchorage and 1 daily flight to Fairbanks for 2 years effective 8/15/25
 - Anticipate flights beginning week of 8/18
 - Kenai Aviation has completed the purchase of Reeve Air and will be the operator on the contract.
- Met with St. Paul Island City Manager & Nils from AML to discuss issues with air service.

Legislative Interactions

- Myself, Mayor Fleming & P&H Director Talbott, met with Congressman Begich's Staff in Anchorage to discuss Council priorities and opportunities related to the Coast Guard, Housing, Childcare and other legislation.
- Attended local Coast Guard Welcome event 8/8
- Attended Coast Guard Foundation Dinner 8/12
- CGC Blacktip Re-homeporting ceremony 8/22

Operations & Initiatives

- Completed ICS E/L 0950 Incident Commander Course; Course began in March but was postponed due to Pop's passing; 5 City Staff completed the course along with 6 USCG, 1 ADEC & Ret. Chief Hinkle.
- Budget Prep ongoing; work session to discuss PW & Eco Dev 8/26.
- Kudos to Solid Waste team on exceptional results of Landfill survey
- Attended School Board Work Session on CIP projects 8/11
- Met with VCVB Executive Director to discuss budget and plans for 2026

Personnel

- Employee Appreciation Picnic 8/28
- Capital Facilities Director recruitment ongoing.
- Directors' Derby 8/25

Projects

- Meals Hill Ribbon Cutting to coincide with State Parks Conference on September 11th; will be publicly available prior. Final inspection 8/19, Punchlist & final completion 8/22.
- See Monthly Project Report for other updates
- Received official grant agreement for Safe Streets & Roads for All grant.

