



Council Priorities

- **Child Care**
 - Working with Chugachmuit on temporary childcare location
 - They are fully funded for Valdez & looking to find a space to begin this year
 - Will utilize THREAD funds for furnishings of temporary & permanent site (pending MOU approval)
- **Housing**
 - Scheduling call with Kodiak for USCG housing options
- **Healthcare**
 - Attended Community Advisory Council 5/13
- **Business, Economic & Workforce Development**
 - Hotwash on Small Business Conference
 - Press Release for new cruise lines for '27 & '28
 - Working with Dr. Foster on options for the Vet Clinic
- **Council Retreat**
 - Planning ongoing, new dates 6/20-21
 - Need to develop priorities & budget parameters for 2026

Legislative Interactions

- Federal (coordinated with CHCG)
 - Forestry receipts much lower than expected (\$1.3M expected vs \$22k received)
 - Essential Air Service
 - RAVN provided notice of cancellation of contract for EAS
 - Working with DOT on next steps for Valdez
 - Monitoring proposed budget cuts to EAS
- State (coordinated with Kim Hutchinson)
 - HB 13 Optional Property Tax Exemptions – correspondence with Shower & Rauscher
 - Passed House
 - HB 212 Over the Cap for Schools – Correspondence with Shower & Rauscher

Operations & Initiatives

- Attended cultural Heritage Week closing event in Tatitlek 5/9
- Attended open house of dispersant aircraft 5/13
- Smaller cruise ships back at Kelsey Dock; still working with AKDOT on permitting a longer term solution
- Congratulations VHS Class of 2025
- City Memorial Day celebration





Personnel

- Recruiting for new Police Officer
- Continuing Coms Manager position recruitment process

Projects

- See Monthly Project Report in agenda
- ADOT going to do sand mix overlay on Hazelet & Loop Road; anticipated Tuesday after Memorial Day start

Out of Office

- Meeting with City Attorney in Anchorage 5/23