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ITEM TITLE:

City Manager's Report February 4, 2020

SUBMITTED BY: Mark Detter, City Manager

FISCAL NOTES:

Expenditure Required: N/A

Unencumbered Balance: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The following details my activities for the past two weeks:

- Visited KCHU and along with the Mayor was featured on Coffee Break segment. Several questions arose related to recycling and specifically plastics recycling.
- Attended City Safety Committee Meeting.
- Attended Planning Commission work session and regular meeting.
- Held initial meeting on property tax incentive program with key City staff. City Attorney is reviewing potential programs.
- Attended PWSEDD teleconference. Primary discussion relates to hiring new executive director.

- City Clerk, City Attorney, Mayor, and I attended conference call with Hilcorp representatives. Issues discussed surrounded Hilcorp future vision for TAPS operations, increasing productivity, and their overall company philosophy. Spill safety was discussed and tax issues impacting oil and gas in Alaska were mentioned.
- Staff held meetings discussing future of emergency management position and ICS training.
- Spent time in field with Capital Facility employees and water and sewer staff.
- Attended meeting on new bear proof trash containers and changes to ordinance reflecting new rules and regulations related to new containers.
- Held prep meeting with Lobbyist in preparation for Juneau fly in.

My plans for the next two weeks include:

- Working with Federal Lobbyist to prepare for March DC visit.
- Continue work on Lowe River Flood control project.
- Continue exploring tax incentives for new housing and business improvements in Valdez.
- Finalize details of contract with Corvus for development of Comp Plan.
- Follow developments of Emergency Operations Plan and included groups like LEPC in commenting on plan.
- Meet with School Superintendent and College Director.
- Continue prep work for Director's retreat.
- Review current plans related to Hospital space needs.