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May 20, 2024

GBOS Special Meeting Re: LONO and GBOS Rules and Procedures Update Minutes Final

4 p.m. via Microsoft Teams & Girdwood Community Room

This hybrid meeting is taking place via Microsoft Teams & at the Girdwood Community Room, 250 Egloff Rd:

The Girdwood Board of Supervisors, its committees, and subcommittees are subject to the Alaska Open Meetings Act as found in Alaska Statute 44.62.310 and Anchorage Municipal Code 1.25 - Public Meetings.

The Girdwood Board of Supervisors operates under the Girdwood Public Meetings Standards of Conduct.
Call to Order 4PM Mike Edgington, Co-Chair

Land Acknowledgement: The Girdwood Board of Supervisors acknowledges the indigenous peoples of Alaska, whose land we reside on. The community of Girdwood, situated between the areas known to be Dena'ina and Alutiiq homeland, respects the people who were stewards of this land for generations. We commit to the continued stewardship of this land and are grateful to be part of a wider community that seeks to maintain a sustainable use of Girdwood Valley for present and future peoples.

Roll Call: Attending are Mike Edgington (ME), Guy Wade (GW), Brian Burnett (BB), Jennifer Wingard (JW) (4:10PM), and Briana Sullivan (BS) (4:15PM)
Disclosures: None

Agenda Revisions and Approval

May 20 2024 GBOS Special Meeting RE: LONO and Rules and Procedures Update agenda approved BB/GW Assent

Agenda

1. **Agenda Item LUC 2310-05:** Z Architects seeking GBOS Letter of Non-Objection for Conditional Use Permit for a proposed triplex at 1550 Alyeska Hwy in the gR-1 zoning district. P&Z meeting scheduled for May 20, 2024. (Marco Zaccaro, Z architects presenting).
<https://www.muni.org/CityViewPortal/Planning/Status?planningId=17981>
LUC recommendation is for LONO with inclusion of restriction of Short Term Rental.

Group discusses removing the limit on STR that is recommended by Land Use Committee.
Amendment proposed by JW to remove the STR restriction from the Letter of Non-Objection has no second.

Motion:

GBOS moves to approve the Letter of Non-Objection as presented.

Motion by JW, 2nd BB

Vote via roll call 4-1 (JW)

Motion carries

Staff sends the signed LONO to Planning Dept and architect who is presenting to P&Z at 6:30PM this evening.

GBOS Meeting Agendas and minutes are available on line: <http://www.muni.org/gbos>

2. Update of GBOS Rules and Procedures

Changes to Rules and Procedures requires 28 day posting, so no action will be taken today. This is intended as a work session and then assigned to smaller groups to work on specific areas.

- Review of current committees of GBOS:

Currently listed and described in the Rules and Procedures are:

Land Use Committee

Trails Committee

Public Safety Advisory Committee

Cemetery Committee – currently dormant as cemetery is areawide

GHEC has not been added to Rules and Procedures yet.

Add purpose statement to each committee.

PSAC;

Changes to meeting frequency have been suggested due to lack of quorum. Formal decision on this has been postponed to June.

Some ideas are to changes structure and assign a PSAC liaison to GBOS or shift to Quarterly meetings and see Quarterly meetings fill the purpose or if meetings remain difficult to achieve quorum.

Desire to have Resort representation on PSAC

Add language to include Fire Dept.

Recommend that PSAC update their rules to address shift in schedule.

Board Members of PSAC are appointed by GBOS.

Sensitive issues are addressed by PSAC, having assigned representatives to be contact points for community members so have items brought forward to meetings.

Cemetery:

Cemetery has been clarified as an Areawide power.

Service Area power can remain as long as it is addressing something different than the Areawide.

At this point, with failed bond attempt in 2024, it is unclear what is needed. Possible that Cemetery will evolve into more or an ad hoc Friends group. Focus of the group at this point is to research options for funding a cemetery.

GHEC:

Needs to be added to Rules and Procedures

Board members are appointed by GBOS; this model came from HHHAC which was handling different issues..

Requirements for service include: property owners within the GVSA and local voters.

This is fairly restrictive and does not allow some qualified individuals from serving, including residents of Crow Creek Neighborhood.

Group takes ideas to Land Use for democratic decision making and includes Crow Creek residents..

Current opening on the GHEC Board to be filled.

Staff recommends simplicity.

- Special provisions for LUC role

Land use is the opportunity for fully democratic 1 person, 1 vote and is responsible for all types of concerns of the broader area including Crow Creek and Turnagain Arm.

GBOS is responsible for tax areas of the GVSA only and is the mechanism for the community to address concerns outside of the tax areas..

LUC voting can create a sway by particular organized interest groups that may not represent the community sentiment but does represent those who were motivated to attend and vote at LUC on a given day.

Recent issues with disagreement between action at Land Use and GBOS, specifically.

GBOS is elected and has responsibility to represent everyone.

System for handling disagreements is established and can be accomplished swiftly or over months, depending upon the urgency of the item under discussion.

Task is to clarify the roles of both groups. Items moved to GBOS could come forward as opinions rather than action items.

Relationship between GBOS and committees: JW mentions consensus-based collaboration between committees and will look for language in the existing Rules and Procedures to address this more fully at a future meeting.

Efficiency of GBOS meeting: Consent agenda, Standing Reports, Two-meeting schedule

Agreement that the two meeting system creates redundancy that is unhelpful and inhibits public interest and involvement and GBOS decision-making.

Some ideas are:

Implement Consent agenda:

Use of consent agenda for items that shouldn't need discussion. Items can be pulled from consent agenda during the meeting. Consent agenda items would not require 2 meetings; efficiency in only having once on agenda and in addressing action swiftly without comment period.

Some topics for consent agenda are:

Purchasing of materials by staff

Minutes of prior meetings

Acknowledgement of actions that currently GBOS makes no comment on (P&Z items that don't require hearing)

Standing Reports:

GBOS, Committees, Staff and Providers produce reports instead of providing verbal updates.

Group discusses setting a timeline to provide reports to be included in meeting packets.

Two Meeting Schedule:

Introduction items under new business could be limited to simple introduction. Current system turns in to 2 full hearings at GBOS and often repeats activity at LUC or other committee where it was discussed at length. Honing down the items so that LUC achieves all of the hearing and that activity is condensed into presentation to GBOS by the

Presentations:

Use of GBOS for required presentation meeting code requirements can evolve into request for Resolution of Support, LONO.

Time limit for public interest presentations.

GBOS is a reliable source of information on upcoming activities and events. Public uses the meetings to access this information

Updates to operating procedures list from Briana Sullivan included addition of GHEC, change in Cemetery power to Areawide, Public Hearings, these items have been discussed in the discussions.

Address staff concerns:

GBOS should be realistic about setting requirements for information to be provided for packets and meetings. Topics evolve over the course of meetings. Sharing packet information early is desired but it is understood that it cannot always happen.

Staff must be able to maintain impartiality.

GBOS members are encouraged to work on elements of the Rules and Procedures. Members can work on project in pairs and submit language recommendations for upcoming meeting review and drafting of revision.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Adjourn 6:05PM