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To KPB Planning and Legal,

An agenda item for the upcoming Planning Commission meeting (1/10/2022) is to schedule the remand for the Beachcomber CLUP application. I am requesting that a Staff recommendation be submitted to the Commission that public comment be re-opened in that case for the following reasons:

1. It has been over 3 1/2 years since the initial hearing at which the Commission denied the permit, and over 2 1/2 years since the last hearing. Since that time there have been three appeals that have taken this case all the way to the Alaska Supreme Court.
2. The Record in this case is several hundred pages and to expect Commissioners to digest that in short order is not realistic.
3. There is one Commissioner, and potentially six more who will have no prior knowledge of past proceedings, and will not be able to make informed decisions without public input.
4. In light of the recent Superior Court decision Commissioners will have to view the evidence through a different lens than in the past.

I realize that the decision to re-open public comment is one for Commissioners, but I also know that they receive, and generally act upon Staff recommendations. I sincerely ask that for the sake of all parties concerned Commissioners are allowed to receive public comment in order to make an informed and fair decision.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

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