Directors Report to the Planning Commission 6/13/22 PC Meeting

Assembly Action 6/7

- FY 23 Budget passed. Planning asked for additional money to conduct surveys to address encroachments and trespass issues, and the budget includes money to hire a surveyor who will primarily be working on land entitlement acquisitions
- Appointment of a new commissioner from Seward, Welcome Troy
- The Kalifornsky Center LOZD was upheld in a split vote, recall the PC was in favor or repealing the LOZD
- Authorized the sale of KPB owned parcels, there was some discussion about removing the 2 parcels in Moose Pass the PC recommended for removal from the sale; however the assembly did include those parcels in the sale
- Adopted the resolution reclassifying land to provide an access route to the grant lake hydro project
- Authorized a contract to investigate soils in the Unit 395 (1000 acre parcel west of Cooper Landing)
- For introduction, hearings to be held 6/21 Appropriating \$243k for forest management efforts
- For introduction, hearings to be held 6/21 Entering into a non-charge agreement with the City of Kenai for Seldovia Rock Quarry mining in support of the Kenai River Bluff Erosion project
- For introduction, hearings to be held 6/21 Authorizing a negotiated lease for a Solar Farm Facility in Sterling

Code Compliance Continues to be very busy with more encroachment issues discovered on a weekly if not daily basis.

Land Management is finalizing the brochures and documents to proceed with land sales later this year.

Misc. We will be bringing forward a couple legislative items for consideration.

- Removing planning commission review of cannabis related businesses, and handling them in a similar manner to Alcohol license applications.
- Changes to the enforcement structure and fine schedule as it relates to KPB violations

We will be meeting with ADoT on June 29th to discuss a number of issues, including the process associated with Right-of-Way acquisition plats.

Open door – Again, I want all commissioners to know they can reach out to me at any time for questions or concerns and that I do want to meet with those that are relatively new to commission and make sure you have what you need in terms of background and education on commission function. I recognize there is a learning curve to the important work we do.