



# Planning Department

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## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### Planning Department Updates

#### Land Management:

Land Management will be hosting the 2021 borough land sale by live auction on Saturday Aug 14 at the Soldotna High school auditorium. 21 parcels are being offered for bid. The auction will be conducted by Alaska Premier Auctions and include a simulcast online auction. The Assembly did take action to remove 8 parcels of land in the city of Homer from the sale by removing those from classification. Those 8 parcels have been left as "unclassified" and may be considered for classification over the next year, with planning discussions happening in the meantime.

River Center: No updates

#### Planning:

Open conversation for you as a commission to consider a deadline to receive public comment. We would like you to consider a Friday 1PM deadline for all written comments, anything after would require them to attend via Zoom or in person. This would allow you ample time to review all things coming before you. The municipality of Anchorage has had this policy in place for some time.

The planning department will not be posting meeting dates for the advisory planning commission (APC) meetings on our website moving forward. Code requires the APC's to publish notice in their community, and it is important to remember that these people are unpaid volunteers who per code, are only required to meet quarterly. I know the planning commission and assembly value the local input but with only a few members per APC, we are finding many times they do not have a quorum present or choose not to meet. It is also important to remember that the APC's have received any relevant items for consideration and if they do not have a quorum, they still can submit concerns/comments on an individual basis. Of course, if staff missed getting items forwarded to them for consideration it is not the APC's fault. Therefore, any recommendation a delay allowing them to review is practical if the quarterly meetings dates does not conflict with timelines, (Please see below for 2021 cancellations and no quorum information).

Advisory Planning Commission Cancellations 2021	
<u>Anchor Point</u>	
1/7/2021	CANCELLED
2/4/2021	CANCELLED
4/8/2021	CANCELLED
5/6/2021	CANCELLED
6/3/2021	SPECIAL MEETING NO QUORUM
6/10/2021	CANCELLED
8/5/2005	CANCELLED NO QUORUM
<u>Cooper Landing</u>	
2/3/2021	CANCELLED
5/5/2021	CANCELLED
7/7/2021	CANCELLED
8/4/2021	CANCELLED

<b><u>Funny River</u></b>	
1/6/2021	CANCELLED
5/5/2021	CANCELLED
6/9/2021	CANCELLED
(Next meeting is October 6, 2021)	
<b><u>Kalifornsky</u></b>	
2/3/2021	CANCELLED
6/9/2021	CANCELLED
7/7/2021	CANCELLED
8/4/2021	CANCELLED
<b><u>Hope/Sunrise</u></b>	
2/3/2021	CANCELLED
4/7/2021	CANCELLED
5/5/2021	CANCELLED
8/4/2021	CANCELLED
<b><u>Moose Pass</u></b>	
8/5/2021	CANCELLED
<b><u>Kachemak Bay</u></b>	
3/11/2021	CANCELLED
5/6/2021	CANCELLED
8/5/2021	CANCELLED

**Platting:**

**Upcoming Tentative Training:**

- September 27 Vacations trainings hosted by legal and platting manager
- October 25 is tentative training on Quasi-Judicial Hearings hosted by legal.