

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT APRIL GENERAL MEETING

I'd like to begin with a thank you to the community for sending us terrific information, comments, and questions about the different aspects of the COVID-19 situation. We are posting information on the web page and will continue to update it.

I'd also like to recognize City staff for the outstanding effort during this critical time. Working from is challenging and staff have been able to continue productive and maintain good moral. Great job team!



FY21 BUDGET REVENUE

The Governor vetoed the Community Assistance Program for full funding, approximately \$75,000. However, the Governor stated that he will fund the approximate \$30,000 million dollar cut with the COVID-19 Federal funding; I am working on getting a timeline.

Just released: The City is eligible for \$44,228.25 in National Forrest Receipts. We don't have a date for receipt of funds at this time.



CARES

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) was signed on March 27, 2020; below is a summary of the Act. The Act is funded at \$2trillion. There is a lot of information in the summary and you can Google the Act or look at the City's web page, but here are some important sections:

Delayed Payroll Tax

Fisheries

Funding for States – hopefully to be passed down to small local communities

FFCR Act (First Families Coronavirus Response Act)

Payments to Individuals

Rural Development

SBA Loans and Grants

Unemployment Benefits



LIBRARY TO BE COVID-19 FUNDING ASSISTANCE CENTER

The City will establish a COVID-19 assistance center out of the library. People will be able to call and speak to someone about eligibility, forms, agency contacts, etc. When the library is able to open, folks will be able to meet with a representative for assistance. Until then, assistance will be provided via the phone, etc.

THANK YOU LETTERS MAILED

The Mayor has sent "thank you" letters to the Alaska Senate and House Finance Committee members to listening to rural communities and passing a budget that includes full funding for the

Community Assistance Program and the Alaska Marine Highway, among other much needed funding. A copy of the letter has been sent to each Council member.



FY21 BUDGET WORK SESSION

The Mayor has scheduled a FY21 budget work session for April 16 at 5:30. It is anticipated that the budget work group will have comments and/or recommendations for the work session.