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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 15, 2023
TO: Mayor and Assembly

FROM: Michael Brown, Borough Manager

RE: Manager's Weekly Post

<u>Legislature Update</u>: A Base Student Allocation (BSA) increase remains one of the more significant issues being discussed in Juneau with bills now in both the House and Senate for an increase of \$1,000 or more. Defined benefit for PERS/TRS is also up for a couple of committee hearings this week.

<u>Transportation Infrastructure Package (TIP) 21 Projects Webpage</u>: Borough staff are developing a TIP 21 website, the voter-approved transportation package from November 2021, for project information and updates. A number of projects are scheduled for construction this summer with the remainder in 2024 and 2025. This is intended to serve as an information hub for these projects. The URL is https://tip21.matsugov.us. An update will be provided by staff at the Joint Assembly/Planning Commission meeting on March 14.

<u>Transportation Infrastructure Package (TIP) 23 Project Nominations</u>: In Resolution 22-100, the Assembly directed the Manager to prepare a TIP 23 package for Assembly consideration in the spring of 2023. Staff have developed a draft projects list. Staff will be presenting this list to the Transportation Advisory Board at their February 17 meeting and have planned presentations to the Planning Commission and Local Road Service Area Advisory Board in the near future. The current schedule anticipates presentation to the Assembly in early June. Staff are planning an update on project development for the Joint Assembly/Planning Commission meeting in March.

<u>Annual Performance Report</u>: Beginning in January 2022, Borough administration published our first annual performance report for calendar year 2021. The report communicates outcomes and results for various Borough departments and services. The following is a link to the report for calendar year 2022: https://matsugov.us/docs/general/22867/2022-Performance-Report-FINAL.pdf. If you have questions, please let me know and feel free to share as you see fit.

Public Affairs Media Flyover:

School District

• The embattled company running school buses in Mat-Su is operating without local permits

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Assembly

- Borough Assembly selects District 6 member
- Borough to evaluate sites for resource potential

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Non-Profit and Community

• First Mat-Su Project Homeless Connect event held since the start of the pandemic Frontiersman

Fisheries

• Writing and submitting a fishery regulation proposal Frontiersman

Radio

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Future Events:

March 23, 2023, Houston High School Ribbon Cutting