

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH Transportation Advisory Board Agenda

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DSJ Lower Level Conference Room

February 17th REGULAR MEETING 10:00 am

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. ELECTION OF NEW POSITIONS

- A. Chair
- B. Vice Chair

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. November 18, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes

VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (*three minutes per person, for items not scheduled for public hearing*)

VII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Parks Highway Alternative Corridor PEL Study – AKDOT/DOWL
- B. Pre-MPO Update
- C. TIP 21 Update
- D. TIP 23 Update (*Special meeting proposed March 31, 2023*)
- E. Transit Update
- F. Bike and Pedestrian Plan Update
- G. RSA Board Update – DJ McBride

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. 23-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED TRANSPARENCY IN THE DELIBERATIONS OF REVISIONS TO THE 2020 SUBDIVISION CONSTRUCTION MANUAL THROUGH ADVERTISEMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- B. 23-02 A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD IN SUPPORT OF THE REPEAL OF MSB 4.10 AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD AND THE AMENDMENT OF MSB 4.43.030 COMPOSITION TO INCLUDE A SEAT ON THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD FOR AVIATION INTERESTS.

X. MEMBER COMMENTS

- XI. NEXT MEETING DATE
May 19, 2023 - 10:00 am

XII. ADJOURNMENT

TIP21 Road Map

2023 Anticipated Construction

- 2018 Pedestrian Projects
- Caswell Lakes Road Paving
- Cheri Lake Drive Upgrade
- Trunk Connector (Katherine Drive)
- Hidden Hills Reconstruction
- Lakes Boulevard Upgrade

2025 Anticipated Construction

- Engstrom to Trunk Corridor
- Tex-Al Drive Extension, Upgrade & Pathway
- Old Glenn Pathway Phase II
- Hemmer Road Extension South

Projects Begin Design Spring-Summer 2022



TIP21 Approved By Voters November, 2021

2022 Construction

- Nelson Road Pathway
(2018 Pedestrian Project)

2024 Anticipated Construction

- Smith Road Extension, Upgrade, & Pathway
- 49th State Street Pathway
- Fern Street Upgrade and Pathway
- Edgerton Parks Road Mountain Trails Drive Upgrade and Path
- Point Mackenzie Road Upgrade MP 0-7
- MSBSD Shaw Elementary Access
- Lucille Street Upgrade and Pathway

TIP21

Completion

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. TAB 23-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED TRANSPARENCY IN THE DELIBERATIONS OF REVISIONS TO THE 2020 SUBDIVISION CONSTRUCTION MANUAL THROUGH ADVERTISEMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Transportation Advisory Board advises the Assembly on transportation-related issues; and

WHEREAS, the Subdivision Construction Manual (SCM) is intended to:

- 1) Establish standards for the design and construction of transportation networks throughout the Matanuska-Susitna Borough;
- 2) Provide information and guidelines for the design, construction, and upgrade of roads, drainage facilities, and utilities within rights-of-way;
- 3) Develop and maintain a safer and more efficient transportation system; and
- 4) Minimize operation and maintenance efforts; and

WHEREAS, in April 2016, the Mat-Su Borough Assembly signed Resolution 17-003 supporting the rewrite of the 1991 SCM; and

WHEREAS, beginning in June 2018, a group of subject matter experts was formed to review the document. The group consisted of local Land Surveyors, Civil Engineers, Developers, Homebuilders,

Board Members, and Borough staff; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, August 18th, 2021, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly adopted the 2020 SCM, which went into effect on January 1st, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Assembly adopted Ordinance 22-057 on July 19, 2022 making additional revisions to the SCM; and

WHEREAS, that revision process was not advertised or conducted as a part of a public process, outside of public advisory board and Assembly meetings, and the deliberations did not include the same diversity of subject matter experts as was involved in the initial rewrite; and

WHEREAS, public participation directly engages the public in decision-making and gives full consideration to public input in making that decision; and

WHEREAS, public participation builds trust, ensures transparency, and creates results that are beneficial to the entire Borough community, instead of individual stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Advisory Board requests a sixty day public comment period as a part of all future updates of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Subdivision Construction Manual.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Transportation Advisory Board this ____ day of _____, ____.

Joshua Cross, Chair

ATTEST:

Kim Sollien, Planning Services Manager
Staff Support

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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. TAB 23-02**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD IN SUPPORT OF THE REPEAL OF MSB 4.10 AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD AND THE AMENDMENT OF MSB 4.43.030 COMPOSITION TO INCLUDE A SEAT ON THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD FOR AVIATION INTERESTS.

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Transportation Advisory Board advises the Assembly on transportation-related issues; and

WHEREAS, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Aviation Advisory Board advises the Assembly on aviation and airport-related issues; and

WHEREAS, Alaska has substantially more pilots per capita than other US states, and the aviation community is a vital part of the Borough who's interests should be represented; and

WHEREAS, the Borough does not own any airports and has very limited regulatory authority related to aviation; and

WHEREAS, the Aviation Advisory Board has proposed disbanding due to a limited number of advisory items but would like to maintain some representation at the Borough level; and

WHEREAS, as referenced in the Borough's Long Range Transportation Plan, aviation is one piece of the larger transportation network; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Board currently has an

at-large seat which could be amended to represent the aviation interests of the Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Advisory Board supports the repeal of MSB 4.10 Aviation Advisory Board and the amendment of MSB 4.43.030 composition to include a seat for aviation interests.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Transportation Advisory Board this ____ day of _____, ____.

Joshua Cross, Chair

ATTEST:

Kim Sollien, Planning Services Manager
Staff Support