



## MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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### MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 26, 2021  
TO: Mayor and Assembly  
FROM: Michael Brown, Borough Manager  
RE: Manager's Weekly Post

**June Assembly Meetings:** We have two regular Assembly meetings in June 2021 as well as a special meeting on roads scheduled for June 22. During the June 1 meeting, Peter Torkelson, Director of the Alaska Redistricting Board, will provide an update to the Assembly under Manager's comments on the redistricting process. On June 15 under Manager's comments, the Department of Transportation will provide a project update on summer construction projects and Borough staff will provide an overview of the American Rescue Plan funding. AIDEA is also tentatively scheduled to present a resolution at the June 15 meeting asking for support of Phase 3 of the West Susitna Access project. Finally, staff are preparing a transportation projects list for consideration at the June 22 special meeting as well as a discussion of revenue options for a potential future transportation infrastructure package.

**Alaska Long Trail (Reso 21-045) and HB 170 and SB 123 Establishing Alaska Energy Independence (Reso 21-050):** We have forwarded copies of the Assembly's Resolutions 21-045 and 21-050 to the State legislators requesting their support.

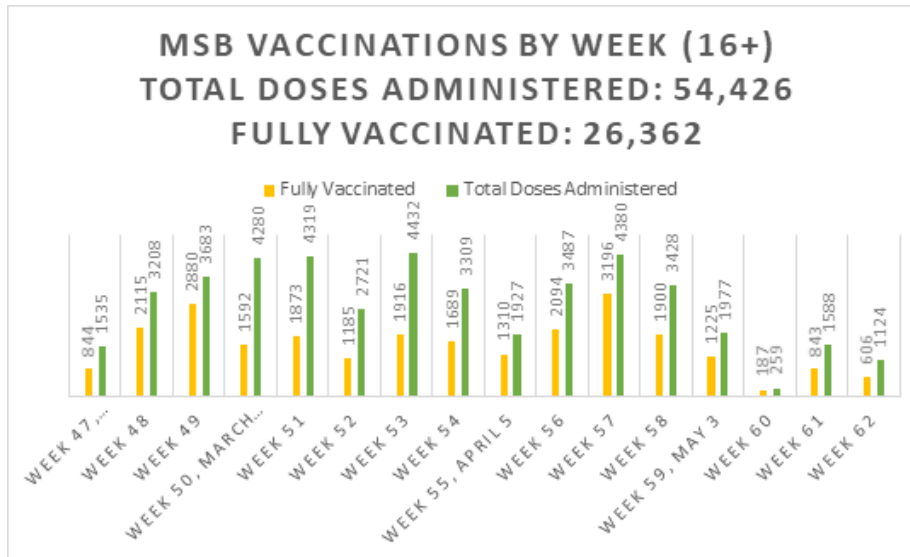
**Houston Middle School:** Attached is a copy of my letter to Dr. Trani dated May 24, 2021 outlining the progress toward an award of the construction contract for the Houston school.

**Vaccination Weekly Update:** Of Mat-Su Borough residents 16+, 37.5% have received at least one dose, and 33.1% are fully vaccinated. Of the residents 65+, 62.6% have at least one dose, and 58.8% are fully vaccinated. In all ages, regardless of vaccine eligibility, 27% have received at least one dose and 24.6% are fully vaccinated.

In the entire State of Alaska Residents 16+, 54% have received at least one dose, 48.2% are fully vaccinated. Of 65+, 76.9% have received at least one dose, 73.3% are fully vaccinated. All ages, 41.9% have received at least one dose, and 37.5% are fully vaccinated.

The data team is working on shifting the data from 16+ to 12+ to reflect the extended authorization of the Pfizer vaccine for 12-15 year olds.

*Providing Outstanding Borough Services to the Matanuska-Susitna Community*



**Public Affairs Media Flyover:**

**State**

- [Mat-Su projects prominent in state budget](#)
- [Burn permits suspended in Mat-Su](#)
- [Alaska forestry wildland fire managers have new tool at their disposal](#)

**Assembly**

- [Borough passes roof repairs for Wasilla Pool and Brett Ice Arena](#)

**Fisheries**

- [House Bill passes which could reinstate surcharge to sportfishing licenses](#)
- [Copper river dip net fishing set to open June 7](#)

**Resource Development**

- [Donlin Gold Announces Plans For Summer Exploratory Drilling Season/Verdict coming from state on key permit](#)

**Borough Cities**

- [City of Houston temporarily suspends use of fireworks](#)

**Tourism**

- [Legislation gives revives hope for summer Alaskan cruises](#)

**Future Events:**

- Monday, May 31, 2021 at 1pm, Memorial Day Ceremony, Mat-Su Veteran's Wall of Honor, Wasilla

# **ATTACHMENTS**



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informed as developments arise so that you can plan accordingly to occupy the facility for the 2022-23 school year.

We will also have to work together closely on the installation of the movable furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FF&E). The contract we expect the Assembly to award does not include FF&E procurement, which will be necessary before the new facility is usable. We estimate the cost of FF&E at approximately \$1,500,000 but this can vary quite widely depending on what items the School District selects. The Borough is not planning to provide the funding or procurement services for these items but we are prepared to coordinate with your staff to allow safe and timely installation as final work on the building is completed.

Sincerely,



Michael Brown  
Borough Manager

Enclosure: Detailed Bid Tabulation

cc: Mayor and Borough Assembly

<b>DETAILED BID TABULATION:</b>						
<b>21-150B Construct Houston Middle School</b>						
<b>BASE BID</b>				<b>UNIT COMPANY</b>	<b>Watterson Construction Co.</b>	<b>Roger Hickel Contracting Inc</b>
<b>Line Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>
1	Base Bid – Construct a new School as specified in the bid documents.	\$ 33,750,000.00	\$ 33,667,000.00	\$ 32,410,000.00		
2	ENSTAR Allowance (Section 01 21 00 1.03.A)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00		
3	MEA Allowance(Section 01 21 00 1.03.B)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00		
4	MTA Allowance(Section 01 21 00 1.03.C)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00		
<b>TOTAL BID AMOUNT</b>		<b>\$ 33,810,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,727,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,470,000.00</b>		
<b>ALTERNATE BIDS</b>						
<b>Item Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRICE</b>
1	Bleachers (Section 01 23 00 1.03.A)	\$ 161,000.00	\$ 149,000.00	\$ 147,158.00		
2	Cullinary Equipment (Section 01 23 00 1.03.B)	\$ 205,000.00	\$ 215,000.00	\$ 274,146.00		
3	Dual Fuel Provisions (Section 01 23 00 1.03.C)	\$ 45,100.00	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 45,436.00		
4	Small Engine Repair (Section 01 23 00 1.03.D)	\$ 117,000.00	\$ 129,000.00	\$ 132,640.00		
5	Theater Lighting (Section 01 23 00 1.03.E)	\$ 167,000.00	\$ 174,000.00	\$ 164,837.00		
6	Mat Hoist (Section 01 23 00 1.03.F)	\$ 18,750.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 35,952.00		
7	New Parking Lot Light Poles (Section 01 23 00 1.03.G)	\$ 320,000.00	\$ 275,000.00	\$ 316,140.00		
8	Clean and Seal Parking Lot (Section 01 23 00 1.03.H)	\$ 51,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 50,720.00		
		<b>\$ 1,085,850.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,077,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,167,029.00</b>		
		<b>\$ 34,895,850.00</b>	<b>\$ 34,804,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,637,029.00</b>		
				\$ 35,318,880.45		
				\$ 1,681,851.45		