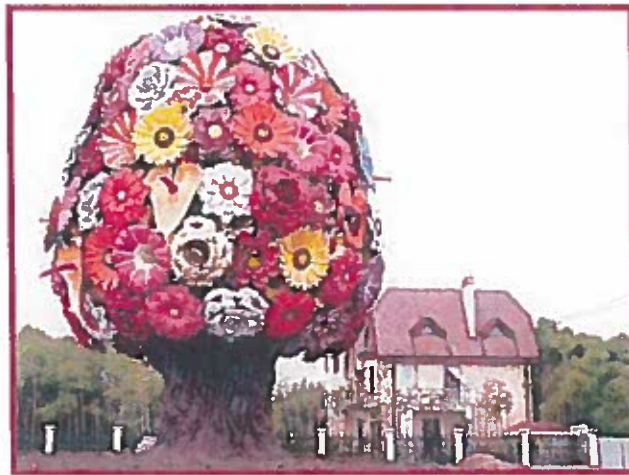


**SELDOVIA CITY COUNCIL
LAYDOWN
APRIL 26, 2017
REGULAR MEETING**

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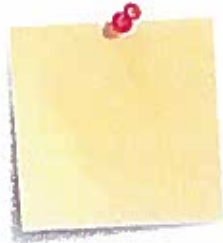
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Clerk's Note

Business License Discussion

AK Cities who require Business Licenses

Anchorage
Cordova
Seward

AK Cities who do not require Business Licenses

Galena
Gustavus
Juneau
Kenai
Soldotna
Homer

Revenue for Business Licenses in the City of Seldovia for 2017 = \$1,125.00



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CM Report *April 26, 2017*

- City Manager's Budget: A rough draft is complete; will be providing draft to council at the May 10th council meeting; along with a draft Fee Schedule
- Street Sweeper Services: received an estimate from our sole source provider, negotiating terms and a possible schedule – right now looking at week of May 8th
- Community Clean Up: May 13th
- Jakolof Harbor Repairs: received permitting from government and state agencies: Kenai River Center, DNR, Army Corp of Engineers; scheduling with maintenance and harbormaster
- Tustumena was delayed in dry dock; scheduled for return to service on May 27th - stay tuned.
- Grant Reporting – finishing up 3rd quarter reporting.
- Community Revenue Sharing Application; once the budget is passed, we will be sending on the completed application to the state; estimated to receive right around \$77,000 this year
- City Manager contract; one year contract up for renewal June 1st.

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Title 5 Business Licenses and Regulations

Chapters:

- 5.04 General Provisions
- 5.08 Public Soliciting and Vending
- 5.12 Coin-Operated Machines and Music Boxes
- 5.16 Explosives
- 5.20 Alcoholic beverages and Amusement Places

Chapter 5.04 General Provisions

Sections:

5.04.010 License required.

5.04.020 Forms kept by Clerk.

5.04.010 License required. Every person, partnership, firm or corporation engaged in a business in the City, as defined under AS 43.70, will be licensed by paying five (5) dollars for a calendar year or part thereof. (Ord. 74-11 Sec. 1(part), 1974; Ord. 92-20; Ord. 99-05; Ord 10-08 Sec 1, 2010)

5.04.020 Forms kept by Clerk. The City Clerk shall prepare or cause to be prepared forms of application and licenses to be used in accordance with this chapter. (Ord. 74-11 Sec. 1(part), 1974)

Chapter 5.08 Public Soliciting and Vending*

Sections:

5.08.010 License--Required.

5.08.020 License--Application.

5.08.030 License--Issuance.

5.08.040 License--Fees.

5.08.050 Exhibition of license.

· For statutory provisions regarding the Alaska Business License Act, see AS Chapter 43.70.

5.08.010 License--Required. All persons desiring to solicit funds or secure subscriptions for the payment thereof, on behalf of any religious, charitable, fraternal or eleemosynary corporation or organization of any kind; all persons desiring to engage in or carry on any business of peddling or hawking in or on the streets of the City, or at any public place therein; and all auctioneers, itinerant vendors and person, their principals and agents, engaged in a temporary or transient business of vending or selling merchandise, stocks or bonds, or other articles of commerce within the City, shall first obtain a nontransferable license so to do as hereinafter provided. It is unlawful for any person to engage in or carry on any of said businesses without first having obtained such licenses or having complied with the provisions of this chapter; provided that this section does not apply to orders taken by commercial travelers in the usual course of business, or to

a *bona fide* sales of merchandise or goods by sample for future delivery. (Prior code Sec. 3(part))

5.08.020 License--Application. Application for such license shall be made in writing and filed with the City Clerk. The application shall contain the name and residence of the applicant; the business in which said applicant desires to engage; the length of time for which said license is desired; the names and kinds of articles for commodities which are to be peddled, hawked, vended or sold, and if the same be stocks or bonds, then a detailed description thereof or the organization for which funds will be solicited and its purposes; the name and address of the principal, if any, of the applicant; and if the license is desired for the business of auctioneer, itinerant vendor or other temporary or transient business the specific location for part or parts of the City where such business is to be conducted. (Prior code Sec. 3.005(a))

5.08.030 License--Issuance. If it shall appear to the Clerk that the proposed solicitation or business is a legitimate one and will not constitute a nuisance, the license shall issue upon payment of the fee set forth below, and shall be valid for the period set forth in the application, not to exceed one year. In case any person or organization deems himself aggrieved by the provisions hereof, he may appeal the decision of the Clerk to the City Council. (Prior code Sec. 3.005(B))

5.08.040 License--Fees. The fees for such licenses shall be as follows:

A. For licenses permitting the solicitation of funds or the securing of subscriptions for the payment thereof on behalf of any religious, charitable, fraternal, or eleemosynary corporation or organization of any kind - ten dollars for each organization or corporation;

B. For a license permitting the engaging in or carrying on of any business of peddling or hawking on or in the streets of the City or at any public place therein - fifteen dollars for the first day and three dollars for each day thereafter, not to exceed one hundred dollars;

C. For a license permitting an auctioneer, itinerant vendor or person engaged

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in a temporary or transient business of vending or selling merchandise, stocks, bonds or other articles of commerce fifteen dollars for the first day and five dollars for each day thereafter not to exceed three hundred dollars. (Prior code Sec. 3.005(C))

5.08.050 Exhibition of license. Each person procuring a license as above set forth shall keep in his possession a copy of the license and shall exhibit it to any person upon demand. (Prior code Sec. 3.005(D))

Proposed Seldovia Community Garden

Presented April 26, 2017

Caleb Billmeier and Cindy Mom

Thank you for the opportunity to speak with the City Council about an issue that is important to many people here in Seldovia. The reason we're here today is to see if the City of Seldovia is interested in developing a city lot as a community gardening space.

Over the winter months, several of us have been engaging in informal discussions about what such a space could look like, who would benefit from it, and how we could bring it to fruition. Support has continued to grow. We see this concept as an opportunity for Seldovia to improve the wellbeing of our residents through the promotion of self-sufficiency, food security, education, and attractive green spaces for residents and visitors.

As a cooperative effort, this project could take many forms depending on the visions of those who choose to participate in it. So far, we see this community garden parcel as an opportunity to:

- Provide gardening space to local residents, in a location that is accessible and welcoming.
- Eventually support a community greenhouse that is open to all local residents. This could be a focal point for Seldovia in the way that the pavilion has become. The garden would serve a local need and visitors could see that our community values sustainability and civic participation.
- Educate our youth about the food system and Alaska-grown products. Some Alaskan communities, such as Homer Flex and Paul Banks Elementary, have even developed Farm to School programs that produce food for the school's lunches.

And Lastly...

- Take concrete steps towards food security and sustainability for our community. Community supported agricultural efforts could cut down on the significant shipping costs associated with living off the road system, and improve our quality of life by being able to harvest our own fresh produce.

As part of our discussions over the winter, we have reached out to a number of people and entities about their own efforts on similar projects. What we have learned is that there is no need to "reinvent the wheel." Similar projects have been accomplished with significant benefits to the wellbeing of their small communities.

- More than 10 years ago the village of Igiugig, located where Lake Iliamna and the Kvichak River meet, took some modest grant funding and built a community hen house to provide affordable eggs to local residents. Their project has since grown to include a 24'x48' greenhouse powered by three wind turbines, a 10'x20' outdoor cold frame, space in the greenhouse for all the families in the community to have plots, space for growing food for local lodges that generates revenues for the project, a wood boiler that extends the growing season, and a community food scrap program that transforms food waste into either chicken food or compost for the garden projects. In addition, they've been able to offer a greenhouse growing class through UAF, with instruction right in the community. Participants earned college credit.

Before approaching the Kenai Peninsula Borough, private residents, or other entities we wanted to engage with City of Seldovia first and foremost. Our preference is that this lot be walkable and accessible to all "in town" residents, especially elders, Seldovia House residents, and those with limited access to transportation. This could be a fitting counterpart to, not a replacement for, the SVT garden that already exists at mile 2.5. It would surely be a project that grows incrementally, and it does not need to happen all at once. Ultimately, what it looks like will reflect the efforts of the community. If the City chooses to participate in this effort, there are a number of grants that we have already explored that seek to support community gardening and community-supported development.

Our first question to the City Council is: would the City be interested in this kind of project?

If so, then are there any City-owned parcels that would be appropriate?

Our goal would be to work closely with the City and other interested citizens in order to find a parcel that is free of contaminated soils, not platted for snow removal or utility easement use, and sited away from the effects of road dust and high winds. Ideally the parcel would be large enough to accommodate all those who wish to plant outdoors, while allowing for the potential to construct a greenhouse in the future.

Some people have suggested the following city lots as places to start the conversation:

- Part of the City lots along Main Street between Dock and Iliamna, near the City offices, currently used for gravel and heavy equipment storage,
- Part of the City lot adjacent to Susan B. English School, near the corner of Anderson Way and Shoreline Drive, or,
- A small portion of the City boat storage lots along Main and Spring Streets.

On behalf of all of us who are passionate about this project, thank you for your time. We look forward to working closely with all interested parties on this effort.