



# CITY OF UTQIAGVIK

*“Farthest North Incorporated City”*

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**City of Utqiagvik**  
**July & August Joint Monthly Meeting**  
**August 8, 2024 at 10:00 am**  
**Nathaniel Olemaun, Jr., Mayor Emeritus City Hall, Administration Building**  
**City Council Chambers**

## MINUTES

<b>CALL TO ORDER:</b>	The meeting was called to order at 10: 17 AM by Mayor Asisaun Toovak.																		
<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Justina Wilhelm</td> <td style="width: 20%;">Present</td> <td style="width: 30%;">Joined 10:20 am</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sarah Tua’i</td> <td>Present</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Heather Hopson</td> <td>Present</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kuutuuq Olemaun</td> <td>Present</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kristin Gutierrez-Edwards</td> <td>Present</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Martina Hopson</td> <td>Present</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Justina Wilhelm	Present	Joined 10:20 am	Sarah Tua’i	Present		Heather Hopson	Present		Kuutuuq Olemaun	Present		Kristin Gutierrez-Edwards	Present		Martina Hopson	Present	
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<b>INVOCATION:</b>	Invocation given by Sarah Tua’i																		
<b>INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:</b>	Doria Lambrecht, Deputy Clerk Jim Vorderstrasse, Former City Mayor Fred Elavgak, Barrow Dancers Skyler Owen Martyn																		
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA: MOTION:</b>  <b>Kristin Gutierrez-Edwards, Councilwoman:</b>  <b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b>  <b>Kuutuuq Olemaun, Councilwoman:</b>	Motioned to approve the agenda.   Seconded the motion.   Called for question and asked for unanimous consent; no objections.																		



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<p><b>MOTION PASSED</b></p>	<p>6 to 0</p>
<p><b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b></p> <p><b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Kristin Gutierrez-Edwards, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Kuutuuq Olemaun, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION PASSED:</b></p>	<p>Motioned to approve the July 31, 2024 Special meeting minutes.</p> <p>Seconded the motion.</p> <p>Called for question and asked for unanimous consent; no objections.</p> <p>6 to 0</p>
<p><b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b></p> <p><b>Justina Wilhelm, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Kuutuuq Olemaun, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION PASSED:</b></p>	<p>Motioned to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of legal advice regarding; the Sales and Use Tax Ordinance, and The Taxicab Ordinance.</p> <p>Seconded the motion.</p> <p>Called for question and asked for unanimous consent; no objections.</p> <p>6 to 0</p>



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	Executive Session began at 10:21 am and ended at 11:55 am.
<b>MAYOR'S REPORT:</b>	Mayor Toovak presented her monthly report.
<b>MOTION:</b>	
<b>Justina Wilhelm, Councilwoman:</b>	Motioned to approve the Mayor's Report.
<b>Sarah Tua'i, Councilwoman:</b>	Seconded the motion.
<b>Kuutuuq Olemaun Councilwoman:</b>	Called for question and asked for unanimous consent; no objections.
<b>MOTION PASSED:</b>	6 to 0
<b>NSB FIRE DEPT.:</b>	Kuutuuq Olemaun presented the NSB Fire Department Report.
<b>NSB HEALTH DEPT.:</b>	None
<b>NSB POLICE DEPT.:</b>	Kuutuuq Olemaun presented the NSB Police Department Report.
<b>PUBLIC CONCERNS:</b>	Please see recording.
<b>RESOLUTIONS:</b>	<b><u>RESOLUTION #17-2024</u></b> A Resolution of the City of Utqiaġvik Authorizing Participation in the Grave Digger Donation Agreement
<b>MOTION:</b>	
<b>Justina Wilhelm, Councilwoman:</b>	Motioned to approve Resolution 17-2024.
<b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b>	Seconded the motion.



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<p><b>Justina Wilhelm, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION PASSED:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b></p> <p><b>Kuutuuq Olemaun, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Justina Wilhelm, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION PASSED:</b></p>	<p>Called for question and asked for unanimous consent, no objections.</p> <p>6 to 0</p> <p><b><u>RESOLUTION #18-2024</u></b> A Resolution to Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Barrow Utilities &amp; Electric Cooperative, Inc.</p> <p>Motioned to approve Resolution 18-2024.</p> <p>Seconded the motion.</p> <p>Called for question and asked for unanimous consent; no objections.</p> <p>6 to 0</p>
<p><b>ORDINANCES:</b></p>	<p>Introduction only</p> <p><b><u>Ordinance #07-2024</u></b> An Ordinance Approving a Lease of City Land to Evelyn Okesene d/b/a Veah's Coffee Shop</p> <p><b><u>Ordinance #08-2024</u></b> An Ordinance Repealing Section 7.080.010 A. of the City Code to Allow Taxicab Permittees to Operate Fifteen Taxicabs per Permit</p>
<p><b>OLD BUSINESS:</b></p>	<p>None</p>
<p><b>NEW BUSINESS:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b></p>	<p><b>Donation Request- Barrow Dancers</b></p>



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<p><b>Kuutuuq Olemaun, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Justina Wilhelm, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION PASSED:</b></p>	<p>Motioned to donate \$3,150 to the Barrow Dancers.</p> <p>Seconded the motion.</p> <p>Called for question and asked for unanimous consent, no objections.</p> <p>6 to 0</p>
<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE:</b></p>	<p>ASTAR Triangle Road PEL Study Survey and Advisory Committee Letter Invitation</p>
<p><b>SETTING OF NEXT MEETING:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b></p> <p><b>Sarah Tua'i, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>Kuutuuq Olemaun, Councilwoman:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION PASSED:</b></p>	<p>Motioned to set the next regular meeting for September 26, 2024 at 5:30 pm.</p> <p>Seconded the motion.</p> <p>Called for question and asked for unanimous consent, no objections.</p> <p>6 to 0</p>
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT:</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b></p> <p><b>Sarah Tua'i, Councilwoman:</b></p>	<p>Motioned to adjourn the meeting.</p>



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<b>Heather Hopson, Councilwoman:</b>	Seconded the motion.
<b>Kuutuuq Olemaun, Councilwoman:</b>	Called for question and asked for unanimous consent, no objections.
<b>MOTION PASSED:</b>	6 to 0
	The meeting was adjourned at 1:21 pm.

**These minutes were approved by the City Council at their September meeting on September 26, 2024 by a vote of \_ for and \_ against.**

**IN WITNESS THERETO:**

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**Asisaun Toovak, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Mary V. Patkotak, City Clerk**