

ORDINANCE NO. 137

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BETHEL PORT/TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND DEFINING ITS POWERS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BETHEL, ALASKA, THAT THERE BE ADDED TO THE BETHEL CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES A NEW CHAPTER ENTITLED BETHEL PORT/TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, NUMBERED 2.33, WHICH CHAPTER READS AS FOLLOWS:

2.33.010 COMPOSITION, TERM OF OFFICE AND PROCEDURES.

A. There is established a board by the City Council entitled the Bethel Port/Transportation Commission consisting of seven (7) members who shall be residents of the City of Bethel and who shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the City Council. Of the seven (7) members first appointed, two (2) shall be appointed for a one (1) year term, three (3) for a two (2) year term, and two (2) for a three (3) year term. Thereafter, appointments to the Commission shall be for three (3) year terms except where an interim appointment is necessary to complete the term of a Commissioner who resigns, dies, or is otherwise removed from office. In the event of vacancies, the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the City Council, shall make an appointment to fill the unexpired term of the absent member. Members may be removed by the City Council at any time. The chairperson shall be elected by and from the Commission and shall serve in this capacity for one (1) year. The Mayor and the City Manager shall be ex-officio members of the Commission without vote. The City shall provide staff support to the Commission. A secretary, who need not be a Commission member, may also be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the members of the Commission.

B. The Commission shall establish rules of procedure provided that there shall be regular meetings of the Commission not less often than semiannually. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Chairperson or by a majority of the voting members of the Commission. All meetings of the Commission shall be open to the public.

C. A majority of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Four (4) affirmative votes shall be necessary to carry any question.

D. Permanent records, or minutes, shall be kept. The minutes shall be promptly filed in the office of the City Clerk and shall be open to inspection by any person.

2.33.020 DUTIES. The Commission shall:

A. Advise the Council with respect to the operation, management, regulation and control of the City's public and private ground transportation facilities, harbor and harbor facilities, and the fuel dock, all of which are hereinafter referred to as the "port facilities";

B. Advise the Council with respect to the port facilities concerning the acquisition, ownership, exchange, transfer, lease, rent, conveyance or disposal of real and personal property and of any interest therein;

C. Review contracts prior to execution and monitor and periodically report to the Council concerning the status of all contracts executed with respect to the port facilities;

- D. Advise the Council with respect to the construction, improvement, alteration, or repair of a port facility or any part thereof;
- E. Assist the Council in developing ways and means whereby the City may encourage and permit the development of port facilities by private and public developers and builders;
- F. Advise the Council with respect to all aspects of the administration and regulation of the City's public and private ground transportation facilities in accordance with Chapter 6.04 of the Bethel Code of Ordinances and other applicable ordinances now in effect or hereafter enacted;
- G. Hear appeals pursuant to Section 6.04.070 of the Bethel Code of Ordinances and consider applications submitted pursuant to Section 6.04.250 thereof;
- H. Perform analyses and make recommendations to the Council with respect to the setting and adjustment by the City, from time to time as deemed necessary, of rent and fee schedules pertaining to port facilities and of routes, fares, schedules, and levels of service pertaining to both public and private ground transportation systems within Bethel;
- I. Advise the Council with respect to the integration of public and private ground transportation systems within Bethel;
- J. Periodically review the budget, capital improvement programs and funding of City-owned ground transportation systems and report its findings to Council;
- K. Periodically study and advise the Council with respect to the location and development of transportation systems, transportation corridors, traffic movement, and those aspects of urban growth which facilitate or impede movement of people and goods, and those aspects of transportation that contribute to orderly economic development within the City;
- L. Perform such other duties as the Council may refer to it from time to time;

M. Do such other acts as are necessary and proper to the performance of the duties and functions set forth herein.

2.33.040 DEFINITIONS.

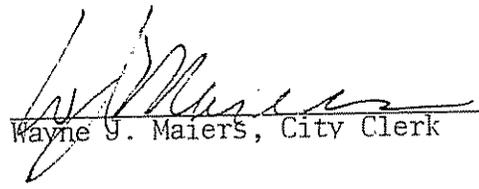
"Public and private ground transportation facilities" include but are not limited to buses, taxicabs, limousines and other motor driven passenger conveyances offered for public hire.

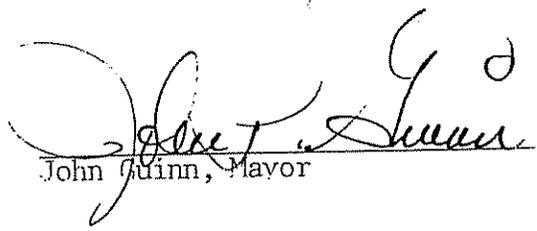
2.33.050 EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL THIS 1/10 DAY OF 1983.
Dec 10, 1983

ATTEST:


Wayne J. Maier, City Clerk


John Quinn, Mayor