A. Call to order
Mayor Clay Koplin called the Council regular meeting to order at 7:22 pm on June 20, 2018, in the Cordova Center Community Rooms.

B. Invocation and pledge of allegiance
Mayor Koplin led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Roll call
Present for roll call were Mayor Clay Koplin and Council members Jeff Guard, Anne Schaefer, David Allison and James Wiese. Council members James Burton, Ken Jones and Melina Meyer were absent. Also present were City Manager Alan Lanning and City Clerk Susan Bourgeois.

D. Approval of Regular Agenda
Mayor S/Allison to approve the Regular Agenda.
Vote on the motion: 4 yeas, 0 nays, 3 absent (Burton, Jones, Meyer). Motion was approved.

E. Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest - none

F. Communications by and Petitions from Visitors
1. Guest Speakers - none
2. Audience comments regarding agenda items - none
3. Chairpersons and Representatives of Boards and Commissions
   Kristin Carpenter, CCMC Authority Board President, reported that: 1) at each meeting they work on board development - so far have covered things like board-staff communication, community needs assessment, Sound Alternatives grants, infection prevention program - just trying to get people on the board familiar with all the functions of the CCMC Authority. There has been turnover in the CFO position, Mitchell has been advertising and has also worked on a different staff configuration that will cover the duties. Audit report should be complete by late July. Specialty clinic with an OB/GYN was very successful. Gary Graham has been added to the Board and we still have one vacancy. There may be a request for supplemental funding to the City by end of July because there are 3 payrolls in August and PERS is still an ongoing issue.
   Guard asked how we were doing on the PERS debt, the amount in arrears. Carpenter said we are not doing well, we are still in arrears.
4. Student Council Representative Report - summer break

G. Approval of Consent Calendar
5. Record excused absence of Council members James Burton and Anne Schaefer from the June 6, 2018 regular meeting
Vote on the approval of the consent calendar: 4 yeas, 0 nays, 3 absent. Meyer absent; Jones absent; Schaefer yes; Guard yes; Allison yes Wiese yes and Burton absent. Consent calendar was approved.

H. Approval of Minutes - none

I. Consideration of Bids - none

J. Reports of Officers
6. Mayor’s Report - Mayor Koplin said that in his written report he talked about the Harbor needs and he also mentioned the possible usefulness of a lobbying firm such as the one who wrote a proposal under correspondence in the packet.
7. Manager’s Report - City Manager Alan Lanning reported 1) he emailed Council the final agreed upon CBA, as was discussed in last meeting’s executive session; 2) he will get out an email to council about gross receipts tax – tiered effect, more punitive to a less profitable business; 3) received 6 applications for facilities superintendent – interviewed one person today but we are being extraordinarily diligent – the 6 application response is rather disappointing; 4) paving will be occurring, about 96 tons of paving - $36,000 in the budget; 5) 3 proposals submitted for the RFP for the Comprehensive Plan update – going through those currently.
   a. PowerPoint on State of Alaska Tier 1 Harbor Grant Program
City Planner Samantha Greenwood and Harbormaster Tony Schinella presented a power point and explained how this state grant program works, what would qualify for reimbursement and what the payments would look like, they also gave a few options for revenue sources to make such bond payments.

8. City Clerk’s Report – Bourgeois had nothing to report, catching up since she had been away from the office for a bit.

K. Correspondence
9. 06-08-18 Robertson, Monagle & Eastaugh engagement letter

L. Ordinances and Resolutions
10. Ordinance 1162 An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, repealing and reenacting Cordova Municipal Code Chapter 8.40 “marijuana regulation” removing the expired temporary prohibition against marijuana establishments within the City of Cordova, adopting regulations for such establishments, repealing and reenacting Cordova Municipal Code Chapter 18.60 “conditional use permits” to include commercial marijuana facilities as a conditional use within the city and clarifying the conditional use process applicable to such facilities – 2nd reading

M/Schafer S/Guard to adopt Ordinance 1162 An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, repealing and reenacting Cordova Municipal Code Chapter 8.40 “marijuana regulation” removing the expired temporary prohibition against marijuana establishments within the City of Cordova, adopting regulations for such establishments, repealing and reenacting Cordova Municipal Code Chapter 18.60 “conditional use permits” to include commercial marijuana facilities as a conditional use within the city and clarifying the conditional use process applicable to such facilities.

Schafer said we hashed this out previously, she is in favor of this. Guard said he understands it is an emotional issue – we went with the higher buffer zone for schools, he said we understand what it means to be the regulatory authority. Currently, there are no controls over the marijuana industry in Cordova, this ordinance will put those in place. Mayor Koplin clarified that the ordinance being adopted tonight, was the one in the handout – as the one in the packet was an older version. There was clarification on the actual buffers, the state’s language was read into the record (main public entrance of the licensed location to the outer boundaries of the school grounds – which would equate to the property lines), as to how they calculate the 1000-foot buffers. Greenwood also clarified the steps that Council has an opportunity to weigh in on these licenses – i.e. conditional use permits for every single one as well as the ability to weigh in once the state forwards a completed license application to the local regulatory authority, (the Cordova City Council). Allison said he will vote in favor, he appreciates the comments from the public tonight, but this ordinance gives us local control. He also opined that as far as taxes, during budget we will be considering all kinds of other taxes so that may be revisited. Wiese also spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Vote on the motion: 4 yea, 0 nays, 3 absent. Wiese-yes; Jones-absent; Meyer-absent; Schafer-yes; Allison-yes; Burton-absent and Guard-yes. Motion was approved.

11. Ordinance 1170 An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, amending Cordova Municipal Code 5.40.010 to adopt a one-half (1/2) percent increase to the sales tax levied by the City of Cordova – 2nd reading

M/Guard S/Wiese to adopt Ordinance 1170 an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, amending Cordova Municipal Code 5.40.010 to adopt a one-half (1/2) percent increase to the sales tax levied by the City of Cordova. Guard said we have a bare bones budget and it is lacking $340K now due to the 2 ballot prop reversals. He said this is a measure to keep us above water. Wiese said he will not support this – he voted yes on the first reading to get public input and he has heard from lots of people, so he will be voting no. Allison said he is not in favor of this ordinance. He said with the couple of different, “windfalls” so to speak, he can’t vote yes on this. He would like to keep this as an option when our budget discussions start up in fall. Schafer said she agrees that we have a bare bones budget but this seems like a knee-jerk reaction, she can’t support it at this time. She’d prefer to act considerately and deliberately, we will need public buy-in. Guard said he’s fine, he’s not trying to change anyone’s mind, he understands where this vote is going. He said we had meeting after meeting after meeting when we did the 2018 budget – we wanted more public involvement, we tried to get it.

Vote on the motion: 1 yea, 3 nays, 3 absent. Allison-no; Schafer-no; Guard-yes; Meyer-absent; Wiese-no; Burton-absent and Jones-absent. Motion failed.

M. Unfinished Business - none

N. New & Miscellaneous Business
12. Council concurrence of Mayor Koplin’s appointment of Robert Beedle to fill the vacancy on the Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory Board

M/Allison S/Wiese to concur with Mayor Koplin’s appointment of Robert Beedle to fill the vacancy on the Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory Board.

Allison said he’s been on there for 5 or more years and he is knowledgeable. Wiese agreed.
Vote on the motion: 4 yeas, 0 nays, 3 absent (Burton, Jones, Meyer). Motion was approved.

13. Council concurrence of Mayor Koplin’s letters supporting Jones Act waiver to support UnCruise
   M/Allison S/Wiese to concur with Mayor Koplin’s letters supporting Jones Act waiver to support UnCruise.
   Vote on the motion: 4 yeas, 0 nays, 3 absent (Burton, Jones, Meyer). Motion was approved.

14. Pending Agenda, Calendar and Elected & Appointed Officials lists
   Mayor Koplin mentioned that there are still vacancies on boards – one on P&Z and one on P&R. Bourgeois asked what
to do about the next regular meeting scheduled for July 4 – after some discussion, Council agreed that the next possible
day to attain a quorum would be on July 18. Mayor Koplin thought maybe a joint work session with the Harbor
Commission, should be in the near future. Everyone agreed this might have to wait until after fishing as most interested
parties as well as most Harbor Commission members are pretty busy with the season. July 17 – State Dam inspector will
be in Cordova for a public meeting – not a City Council event.

O. Audience Participation
   Dean Curran of 110 Sawmill Avenue is still concerned about the smell issue that a marijuana facility will have.

P. Council Comments
   Wiese thanked everyone for coming and thanked Gary Graham for stepping up on CCMCA Board, thanked Mayor
   Koplin for his letters of support
   Schaefer thanked everyone for sharing comments, she appreciates the public input. She also thanked Beedle. Graham
   for serving. Also, she encouraged people in the audience to talk up the vacancies we still have, she said it’s fun and feels
good to get involved and help Cordova be a great place to live.
   Allison also thanked the audience for comments – he especially appreciated Council Member Guard’s efforts on the
budget, and keeping Council grounded a little bit.
   Guard said he knows that marijuana is a contentious issue, he still believes they did the right thing tonight – in Cordova’s
best interest.

Q. Executive Session
   15. Legal update - Beecher matter this item was not needed, there was no update
   16. CCMC professional staffing changes, future contracts for locum physicians and anticipated financial implications
   M/Allison S/Guard to go into an executive session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly
have an adverse effect on the finances of the government specifically, CCMC professional staffing changes, future contracts
for locum physicians and anticipated financial implications and to invite Scot Mitchell and Kristin Carpenter to join us.
   With no objection, the motion was approved and Mayor Koplin called for a 3-minute recess to clear the room at 8:49
pm.
   Council entered the executive session at 8:54 pm.
   The regular meeting was reconvened at 9:17 pm.
   Mayor Koplin stated that these issues were discussed - CCMCA staffing changes and financial implications, but no
decisions were made.

R. Adjournment
   M/Allison S/Schaefer to adjourn the meeting.
   Hearing no objection Mayor Koplin adjourned the meeting at 9:18 pm.

Approved: August 15, 2018

Attest: Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk