<u>Chair</u> Nancy Bird	PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 18, 2021 AT 6:30 PM
Vice Chair	ELECTRONIC – INFORMATION BELOW
Mark Hall	ELECTRONIC - INFORMATION BELOW
<u>Commissioners</u> John Baenen	AGENDA
Chris Bolin Trae Lohse	
Sarah Trumblee	1. CALL TO ORDER
City Planner	2. ROLL CALL
Leif Stavig	Chair Nancy Bird, Commissioners John Baenen, Chris Bolin, Trae Lohse, Mark
	Hall, and Sarah Trumblee
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#### PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 19, 2021 AT 6:30 PM ELECTRONIC MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair *Nancy Bird* called the Planning Commission Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 PM on January 19, 2021 held electronically and open to the public.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were Vice Chair *Nancy Bird* and Commissioners *John Baenen, Chris Bolin, Trae Lohse, Mark Hall*, and *Sarah Trumblee*.

Also present was City Planner *Leif Stavig*.

Five people from the public were in attendance.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/Bolin S/Baenen to approve the agenda. Upon voice vote, motion passed 6-0. Yea: Bird, Baenen, Bolin, Lohse, Hall, Trumblee

#### 4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Record excused absence for John Baenen, Nancy Bird, and Chris Bolin from the December 8, 2020 Regular Meeting
- b. Minutes of December 8, 2020 Regular Meeting

M/Bolin S/Hall to approve the consent calendar.

*Bird* requested her absence be considered unexcused. She clarified with *Stavig* that all absences are considered excused unless noted otherwise.

<u>Upon voice vote, motion passed 6-0.</u> Yea: Bird, Baenen, Bolin, Lohse, Hall, Trumblee

### 5. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

6. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 7. COMMUNICATIONS BY AND PETITIONS FROM VISITORS

- a. Guest Speakers
- b. Audience comments regarding agenda items

*Robert Beedle* said that he pays \$1,400 a year for a moorage spot, while the Forest Service would be paying less if the value was based on assessed value. Additionally, the harbor gets .5% fish tax

on what he catches. He was also curious to know if the money from the lease goes to the harbor or the city's general fund.

**Dave Zastrow**, with the Forest Service, was with the District Ranger, **Steve Namitz**, and Law Enforcement Officer, **Andy Morse**. He said that the warehouse, gangway, and dock are federal facilities built and maintained by the Forest Service since 1985. They spent \$81,000 in the current year to replace the roof, and \$15,000 in painting and re-siding last year. The lease is for about 1,000 square feet of tidelands. Three large vessels work from that facility for much of the work in Prince William Sound. Other federal agencies use the facility. They hope to continue to lease the space with the understanding that things may change in the future.

*Mark Frohnapfel*, on behalf of Shoreside Petroleum, said that they have been active in lobbying for a floating fuel dock in Cordova's harbor. They have been trying to find a suitable location.

#### 8. PLANNER'S REPORT

*Stavig* said there would be Planning Commissioner training held electronically in February. He thanked the commission for flexible scheduling. *Stavig* said that they have been having lots of conversations surrounding housing at the staff level and will likely involve the Planning Commission as projects move forward. *Stavig* said he attended the last Harbor Commission meeting, and they would like to look at the Land Disposal Maps specifically around the shipyard area.

#### 9. NEW/MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

### a. Letter of Interest from USDA Forest Service for the "Forest Service Dock and Marine Warehouse"

M/Bolin S/Hall to recommend to City Council to dispose of a 1,120 square foot portion of tidelands on Lot 3, Block 7A, Tidewater Development Park over which there are improvements commonly referred to as the "Forest Service Dock and Marine Warehouse" as outlined in Cordova Municipal Code 5.22.060 B by negotiating an agreement with the Forest Service to lease or purchase the property.

**Bolin** said the dock was vital to the Forest Service and has been there since 1965 and it is time to move forward with a new lease. **Hall** said the Forest Service owns the facilities and the city can't just kick them out. He agreed with at least a five-year lease timeline.

M/Hall S/Bolin to amend the motion by striking "or purchase." Upon voice vote, motion to amend passed 4-2. Yea: Bolin, Lohse, Hall, Trumblee Nay: Bird, Baenen

*Lohse* said he thought they needed to renew the lease, but not for long-term. He wanted to see the city work with the Forest Service. He did think the lease amount was very low. *Baenen* verified with *Stavig* that the recommendation from the Harbor Commission was prior to Shoreside Petroleum sending a letter. A floating fuel dock would be a multi-million-dollar facility convenient for the fishermen. He wanted this to go back to the Harbor Commission. *Trumblee* agreed and said a fuel dock would bring money to the community.

*Bird* noted that looking at the timeline, the Forest Service did submit a letter well in advance of the lease expiring. She said the Harbor Commission could be involved with City Council as the process continued. She said a five-year lease seemed reasonable.

M/Baenen S/Lohse to refer this to the Harbor Commission to let them weigh in on the interest from Shoreside Petroleum to put in a floating fuel dock.

*Lohse* said there was the possibility of a large harbor infrastructure investment and wanted to hear from the Harbor Commission. *Hall* said that the current lease expires in March and verified with staff that they would likely have to look into extending the standstill agreement.

Upon voice vote, motion to refer failed 3-3. Yea: *Baenen, Lohse, Trumblee* Nay: *Bird, Bolin, Hall* 

*Bird* said that the main motion does not specify a lease term. City Council can also request consultation of the Harbor Commission.

Upon voice vote, main motion passed 4-2. Yea: *Bird, Bolin, Hall, Trumblee* Nay: *Baenen, Lohse* 

### b. Resolution 20-01 – Land Disposal Maps

A resolution of the Planning Commission of the City of Cordova, Alaska recommending the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska adopt the 2021 Land Disposal Maps

#### M/Hall S/Bolin to approve Resolution 20-01.

The commission reviewed each map in the Land Disposal Maps. On the New England Cannery Road map, *Baenen* said that the property with the rock quarry should be made 'Not Available.' *Bolin* said he agreed, the pit had been used to develop a lot of Cordova in the past and would be a key roll in the future. *Bird* verified that this was the property that they received a letter of interest for in 2020. The was unanimous consent from the commission to make the lot 'Not Available.'

**Bolin** asked why the triangle piece below Shelter Cove was 'Not Available.' **Stavig** said he could look into it for the next meeting. **Hall** said that overall, the aerial photography was getting fairly old on the maps. Stavig said they could look at some different options for aerial photography at the next meeting.

**Bolin** verified that the lease in the bottom south east corner of the South Fill Development Park map was to the Copper River Watershed Project. **Lohse** verified that the lots on the west end of the South Fill were used for snow dumping and harbor parking. **Baenen** asked if there was a private easement on the city-owned lots at the intersection of Nicholoff Way and Railroad Avenue, and if that could be shown on the maps. **Stavig** said he would research it.

On the Odiak Slough map, *Lohse* verified that the lot on Forestry Way was used by the city as a snow dump. On the Whitshed Road map, *Baenen* verified that the lot on the highway adjacent to Eagle Contracting was purchased by the city seven years ago with the intent that it would be the location of a new fire/police facility.

On the Odiak Park map, *Bolin* asked why the lots to the south of Center Drive were 'Not Available.' *Stavig* said he thought there was a significant drainage through there, but he could do more research. *Bolin* said it was also used as a city snow dump. *Bolin* asked *Stavig* to look into the two lots at the cul-de-sac of Center Drive as well.

On the Power Creek Road map, *Lohse* asked why the cemetery was shown as 'Available.' *Stavig* said that many of the large parcels that are shown as 'Available – Requires Subdivision' contain city infrastructure. The maps can get very complicated if every city use gets noted on the map. *Bird* and *Baenen* spoke in favor of adding a notation for the cemetery.

On the Eyak Lake map, *Bolin* noted that Elmer's Point Drive had a street sign that said Kimmick Way. *Stavig* said the Harbor Commission wanted to review the maps.

M/Bolin S/Baenen to refer to 2021 Land Disposal Maps to the Harbor Commission. Upon voice vote, motion to refer passed 6-0. Yea: Bird, Baenen, Bolin, Lohse, Hall, Trumblee

#### c. Chair Election

Baenen nominated Nancy Bird for Chair. Upon voice vote, Nancy Bird was elected 6-0. Yea: Bird, Baenen, Bolin, Lohse, Hall, Trumblee

#### d. Vice Chair Election

Baenen nominated Mark Hall for Vice Chair.

**Bolin** said he would be interested, but thought **Bird** and **Hall** are a good fit.

Upon voice vote, Mark Hall was elected 6-0. Yea: Bird, Baenen, Bolin, Lohse, Hall, Trumblee

#### **10. PENDING CALENDAR**

Baenen said that 6:30 PM was the best time for him for meeting times.

*Bird* said she had been speaking with *Stavig* about making sure they are doing an annual review of the Comprehensive Plan. *Lohse* said for fishermen, later in the fall may be a good time to review. *Bird* also said she also wanted to look at Titles 16, 17, and 18 for a refresher.

### **11. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

**Dan Logan**, retired Forest Service, said that there needs to be a look at what the Forest Service has done for the community. Timber receipts to the city are about \$2.5 million over a ten-year period. He thinks having a fuel dock in the harbor is a good idea, but he wonders if a fuel dock next to the harbor entrance is the best idea. Maybe there are other alternatives that are better for the fuel dock.

*Ken Jones*, from the Harbor Commission, said that the corner of the harbor where the Science Center is currently located has been talked about extensively as a location for a fuel dock. There's plenty of

room on the state dock for extra boat parking. It was the wrong move to not get the Harbor Commission's input. They never saw the letter from Shoreside.

*Frohnapfel* said that it was a misconception that they wanted to kick the Forest Service out. Shoreside has 22-26 floating fuel dock facilities in the state. They are just asking that the lease be from year-to-year, until there is a better plan for what the community wants.

<u>M/*Trumblee*</u> S/*Baenen* to reconsider the motion that passed concerning the recommendation on the letter of interest from the USDA Forest Service.

*Trumblee* said she wanted to let the Harbor Commission see the letter from Shoreside. *Baenen* agreed. *Stavig* said that they would now vote again on the original motion with the recommendation to City Council.

Upon voice vote, main motion failed 3-3. Yea: *Bird, Bolin, Hall* Nay: *Baenen, Lohse, Trumblee* 

M/Baenen S/Lohse to refer the agenda item to the Harbor Commission.

*Bird* clarified that the agenda item would be going to the Harbor Commission and then back to the Planning Commission for the recommendation. *Baenen* verified with staff that the letter from Shoreside had not been presented to the Harbor Commission.

Upon voice vote, motion to refer passed 4-1. Yea: *Bird, Baenen, Lohse, Trumblee* Nay: *Bolin* 

#### **12. COMMISSION COMMENTS**

**Bolin** thanked **Trumblee** for joining the commission. He thanked **Bird** and **Hall** for stepping up to chair and vice chair.

Baenen thanked Bird and Hall.

*Trumblee* said she was looking forward to learning.

*Lohse* thanked *Bird* and *Hall* and the audience.

Hall thanked Trumblee and said the Planning Commissioner training was very worthwhile.

*Bird* said she enjoyed feisty meetings, and she hopes they can make it through the issue with all sides winning.

#### **13. ADJOURNMENT**

<u>M/Bolin S/Hall to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:36 PM.</u> With no objection, the meeting was adjourned. Approved:

Nancy Bird, Chair

Leif Stavig, City Planner

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# Planner's Report

To:	Planning Commission
From:	Planning Staff
Date:	2/12/21
Re:	Recent Activities and Updates

- Heavy traffic from public with misc. planning questions, i.e., subdivisions, permits, maps, zoning, property purchasing, etc.
- Planning Commissioner's Training is Feb. 21st; Planning Conference is Feb. 23-25.
- Craig Kuntz Letter of Interest RFP advertised, proposals Due March 8th.
- Attended Harbor Commission meeting, re: Land Disposal Maps and Forest Service Lease. Harbor Commission is still working on both of these items, then they will be back to the Planning Commission.
- Met with state official concerning landslide risks see agenda item for more information.
- Working with surveyor on several plats which will be coming up in the next few months.
- Staff involved in update to the state's Cordova Airport Master Plan; will keep the commission updated with future opportunities for public comment.
- Tom McGann has put back in for the Planning Commission. Should get appointed at 2/17 City Council Regular Meeting.
- Prepared packet and completed minutes for Planning Commission Regular Meeting.
- Need to have a brief discussion/refresher on agenda items and motions.
- Doing minutes, I realized I made a small error when we did the reconsider action at the last meeting; we can discuss briefly at meeting; it certainly wasn't a major error. Here's a great Robert's Rules article on reconsidering: <u>https://jurassicparliament.com/reconsider-in-roberts-rules/</u>



### AGENDA ITEM # 9a Planning Commission Meeting Date: 2/18/21

### PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATION FORM

FROM: Planning Staff

DATE: 2/12/21

ITEM: 2021 Land Disposal Maps – Discussion

NEXT STEP: Discuss

\_x\_\_ INFORMATION MOTION RESOLUTION

#### I. <u>REQUEST OR ISSUE:</u>

The Land Disposal Maps are updated annually.

The Harbor Commission is still reviewing the maps; however, there were several items the Planning Commission had expressed interest in going over in more detail, which we can do at this meeting.

#### II. <u>RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEP:</u>

Discuss. The maps and resolution approving them should be on the next meeting's agenda.

#### III. FISCAL IMPACTS:

Land disposals can be a revenue source for the city.

### IV. <u>BACKGROUND INFORMATION:</u>

The descriptions of the map designations and the update policy are on the cover page of the 2021 Land Disposal Maps document, attached.

These maps are meant to be a simple, easy-to-understand resource for the public. In the past, there have been conversations about adding more detail to the maps, but ultimately, staff, the Planning Commission, and City Council have kept the maps as easy to understand as possible and have been cautious about making the maps too confusing by adding more detail, designations, or labels.

The 2020 Land Disposal Maps are available on the city's webpage (under Land Use and Development E-Forms): <u>http://www.cityofcordova.net/document-central</u>

#### Update after January Meeting:

- Attached are two copies of the maps with different aerial imagery; please compare and indicate preference.
- Shelter Cove rock pit property now 'Not Available.'
- Label added for cemetery on Power Creek Road.
- Staff will address at the meeting the following properties that were discussed at January Meeting:
  - Small triangle lot to south of Shelter Cove Property.
  - Corner of Nicholoff and Railroad Avenue.
  - Two lots adjacent and south of Center Drive.
  - Two lots at cul-de-sac end of Center Drive.

#### **General Changes to the 2021 Land Disposal Maps:**

- Parcel layer has been updated with new subdivisions.
- Parcel lines more accurate, fixed errors in parcel lines, etc.

### Specific Updates by Map Page:

- New England Cannery Road
  - Property near Shelter Cove which contains the old rock pit and burn pile has been changed to the designation 'Not Available' by the Planning Commission at their 1/19 Regular Meeting.
- North Fill Development Park
  - The lot at the intersection of Coast Guard Lane and Jim Poor Ave, previously shown as 'Leased' has been purchased and removed from the map.
- Old Town
  - One lot just north of the Water Tank, previously shown as 'Leased' has been purchased and removed from the map.
  - The eastern half of Lot 3, Block 17, Original Townsite (requested by Kuntz) is shown as 'Available' per Resolution 20-02.

### V. LEGAL ISSUES:

Legal issues should be considered on a property by property basis.

### VI. <u>CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:</u>

Conflicts or environmental issues should be considered on a property by property basis.

### VII. <u>SUMMARY AND ALTERNATIVES:</u>

N/A

# 2021 Land Disposal Maps

Adopted by City Council: xx/xx/xx

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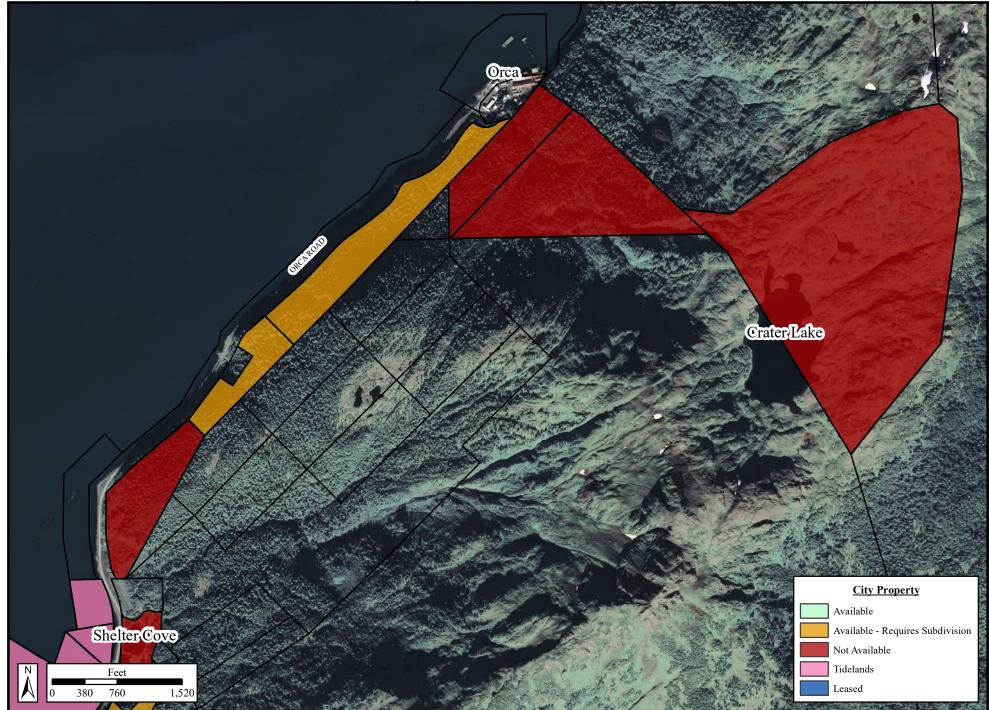
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#### **Update Policy**

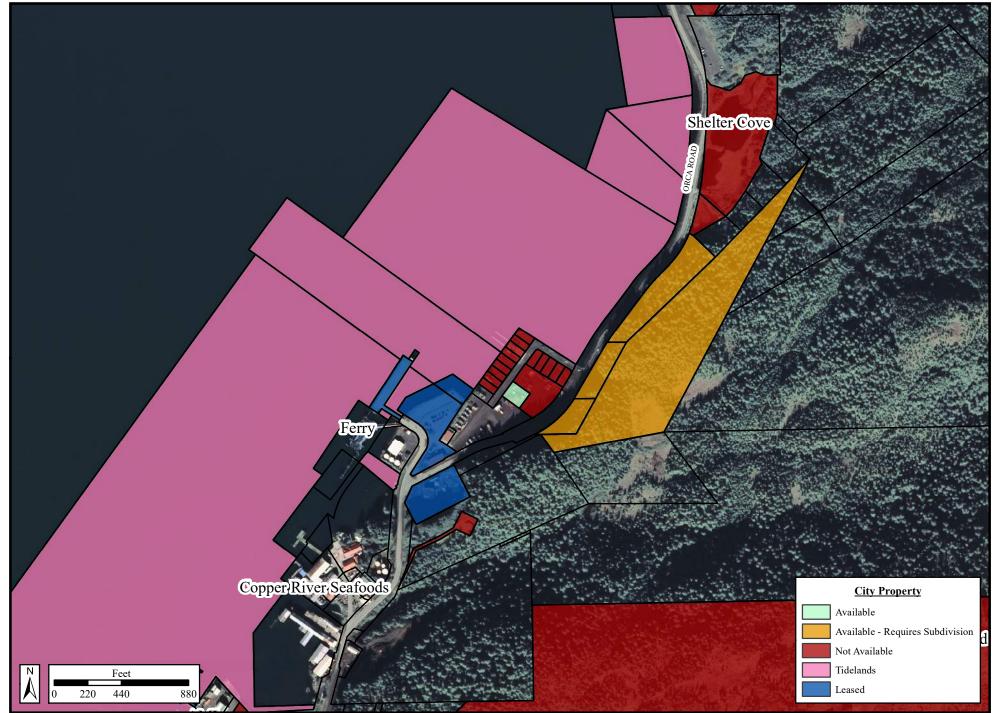
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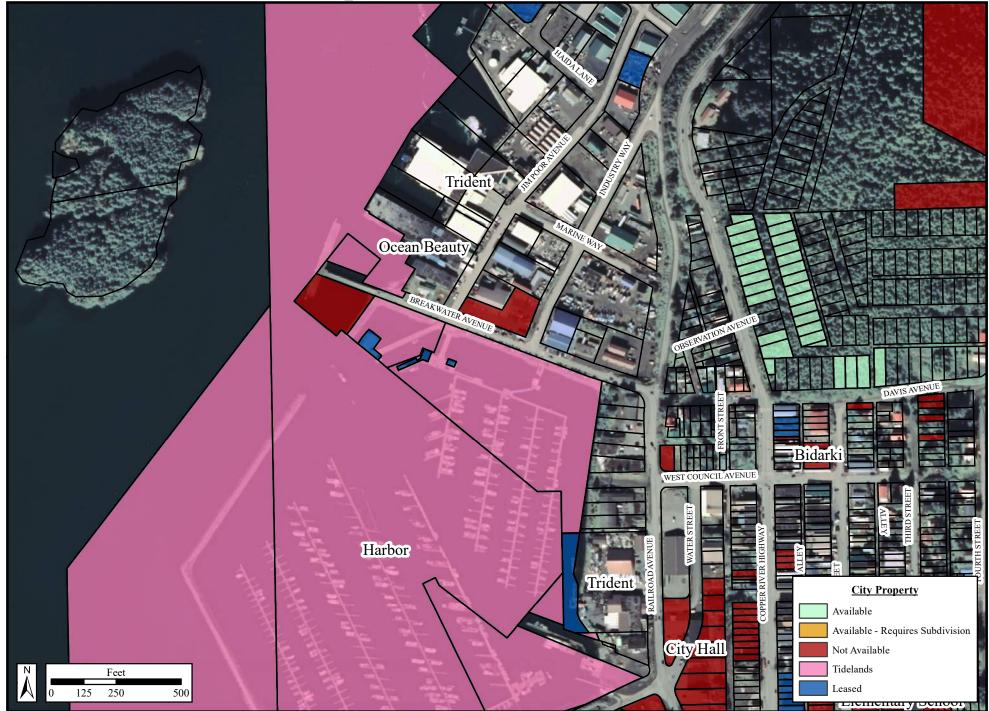
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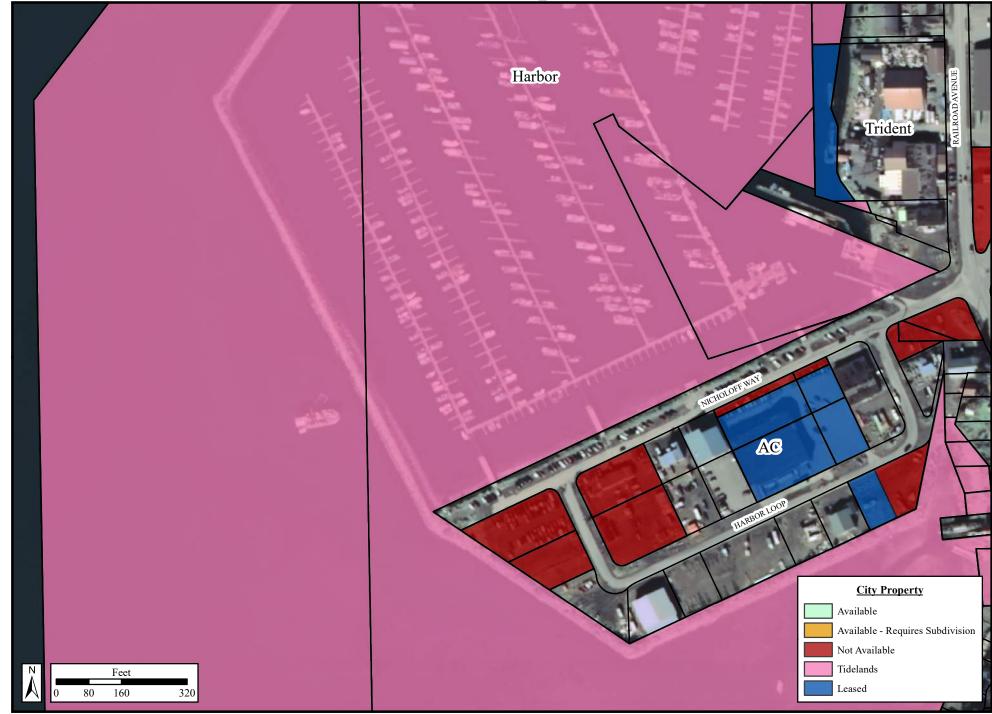
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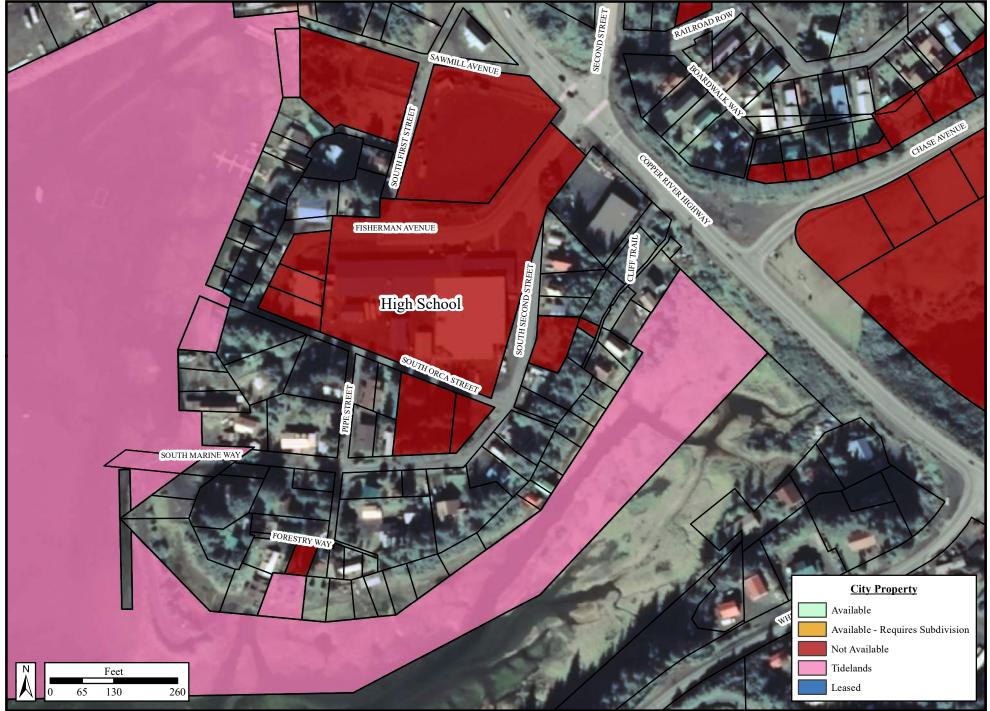
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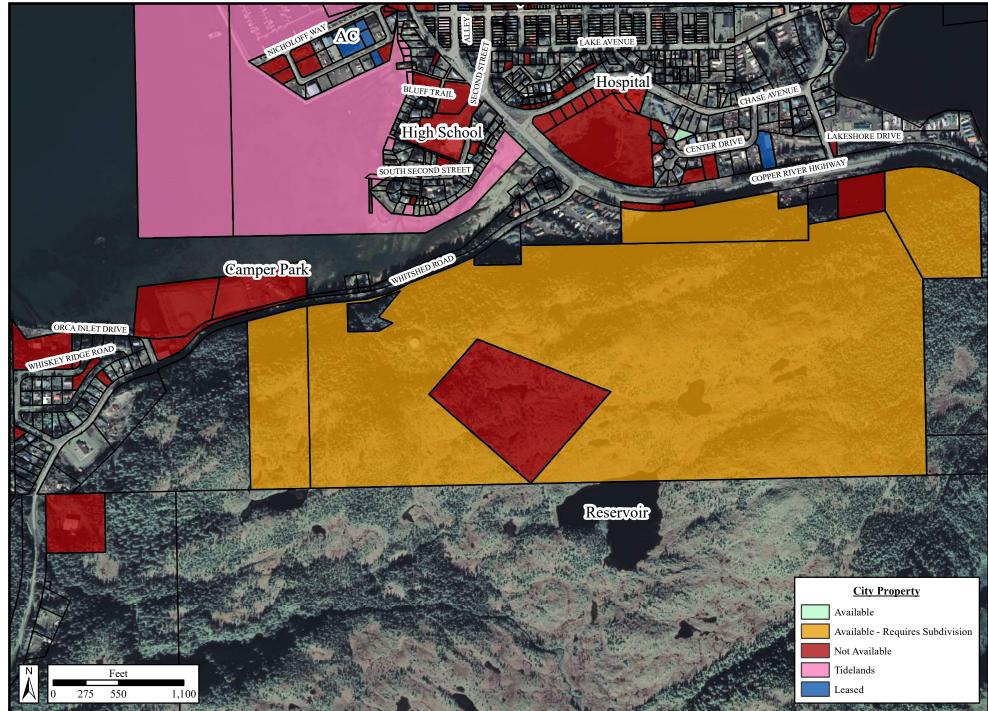
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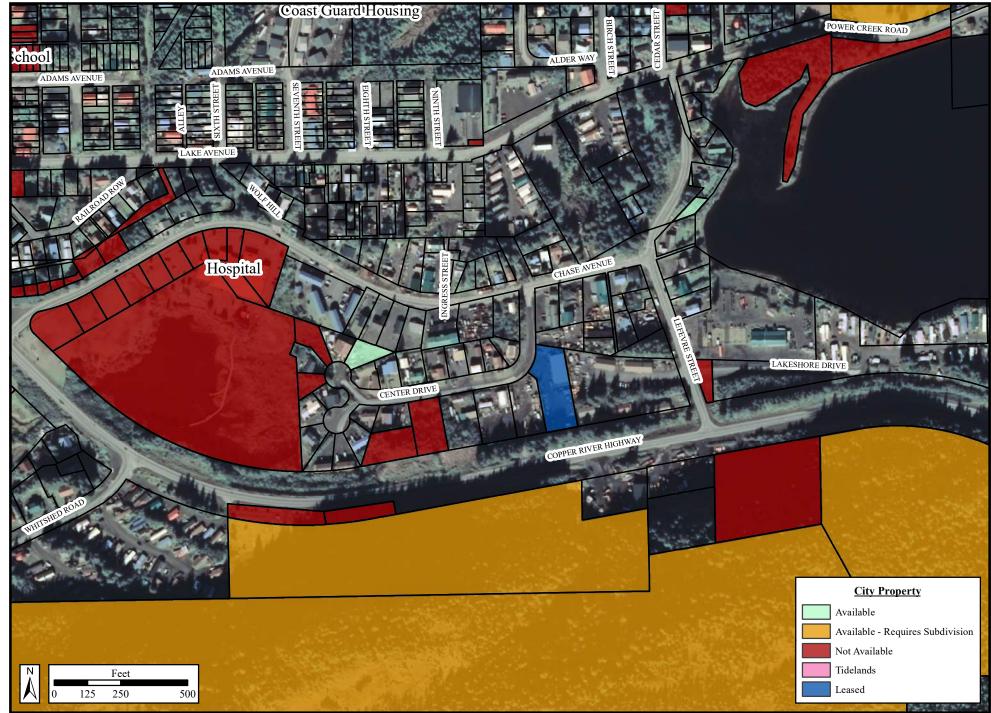
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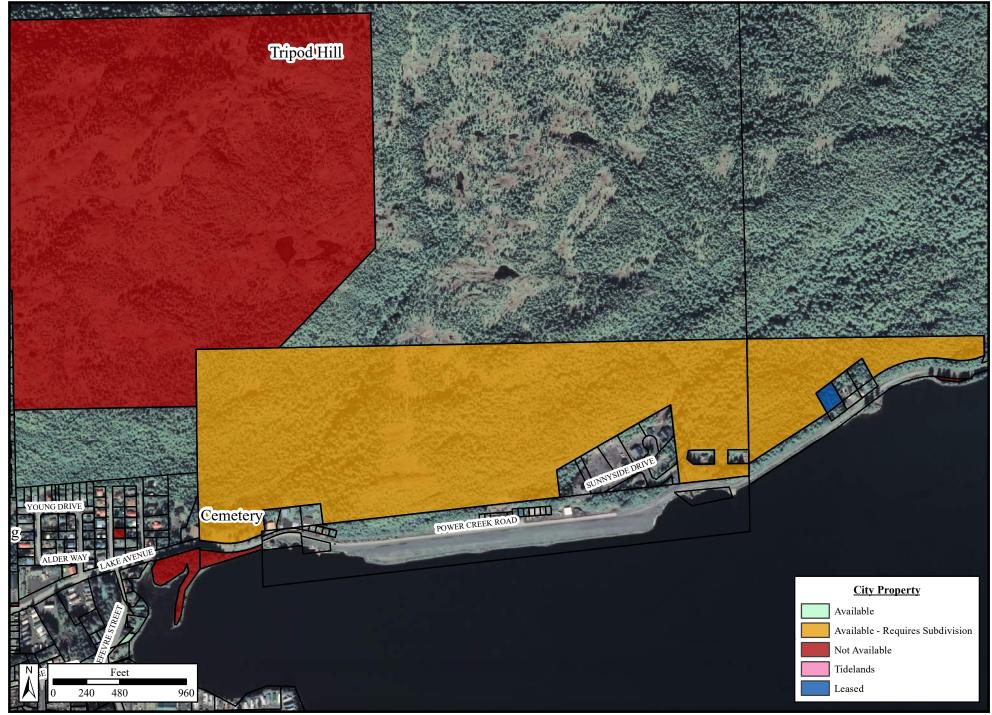
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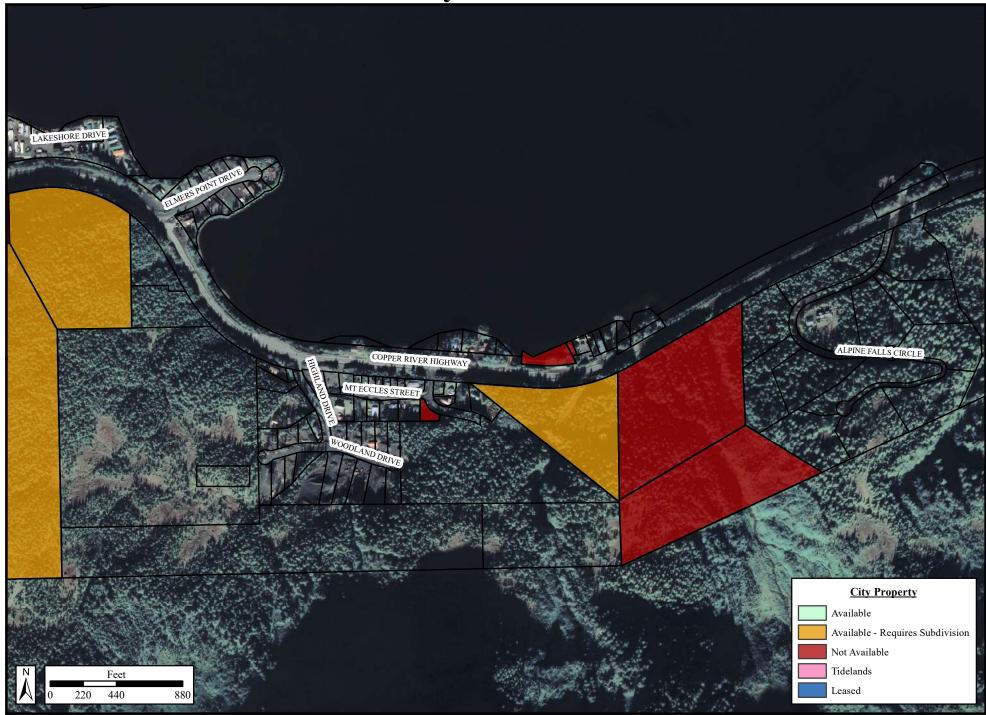
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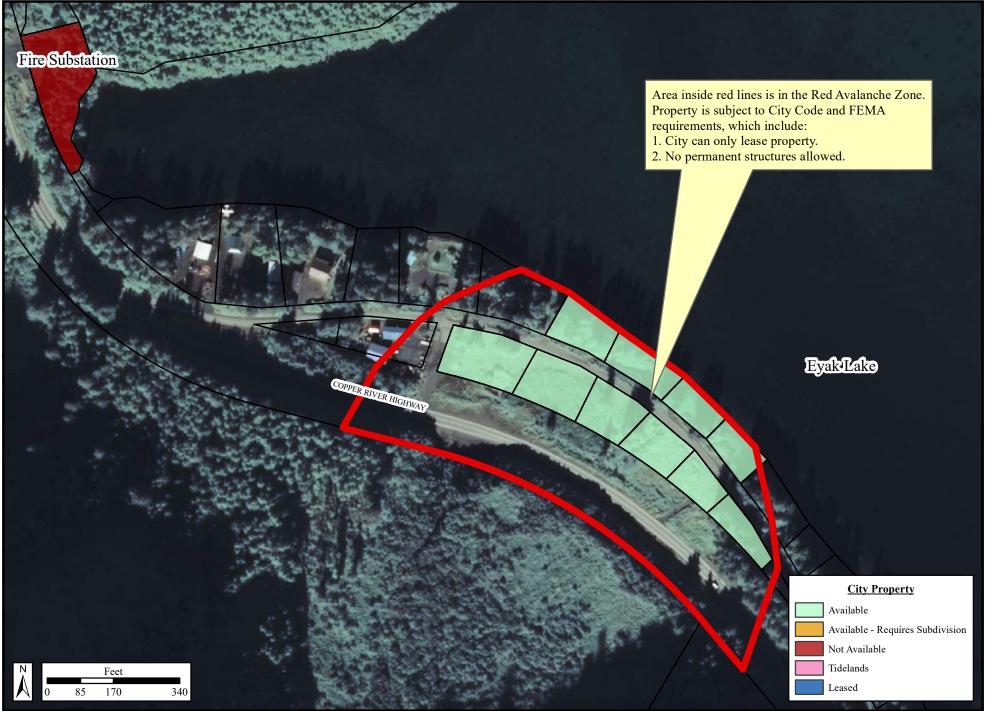
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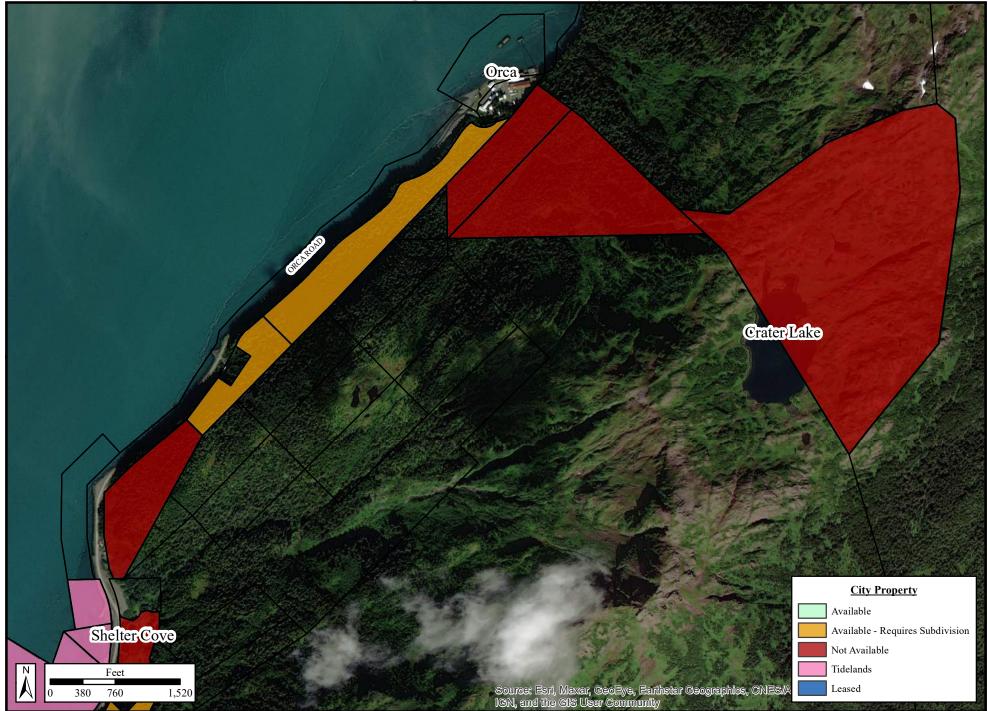
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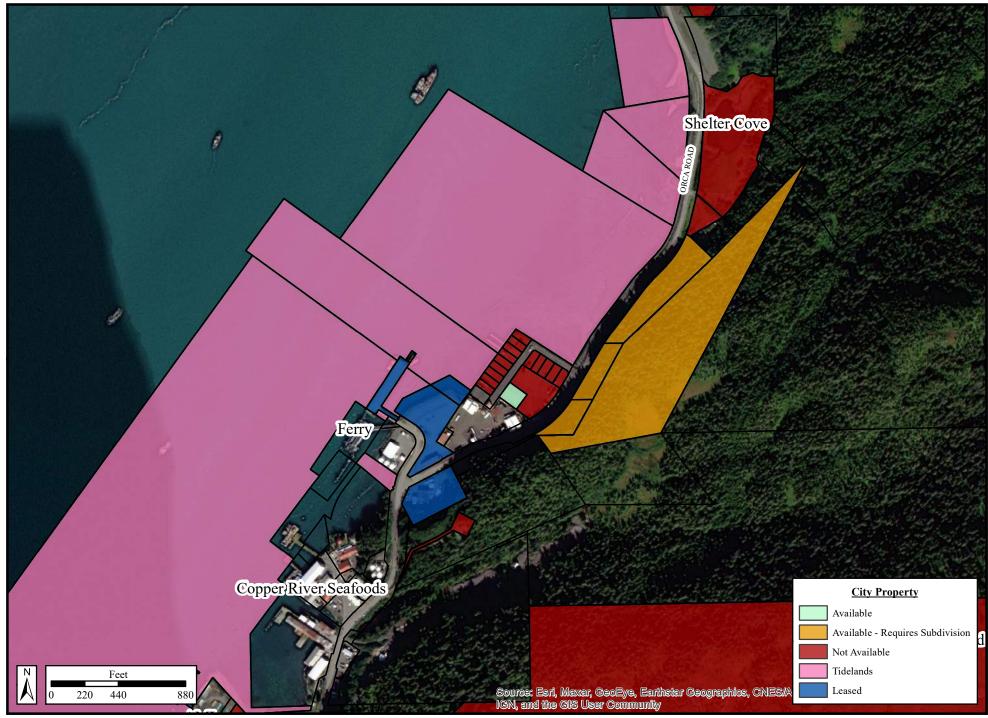
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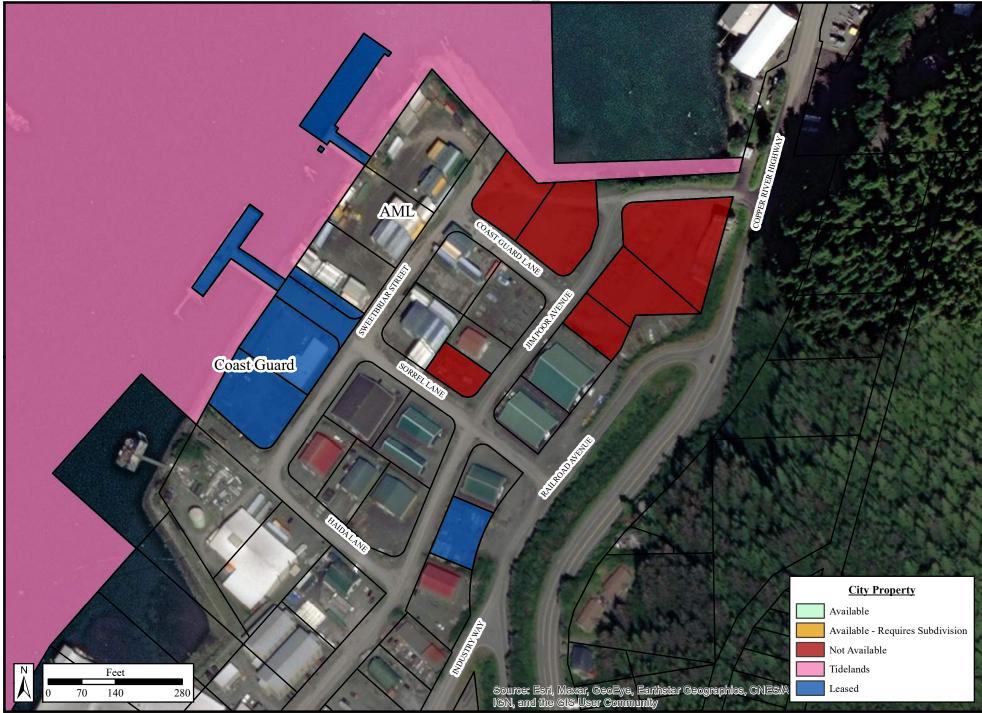
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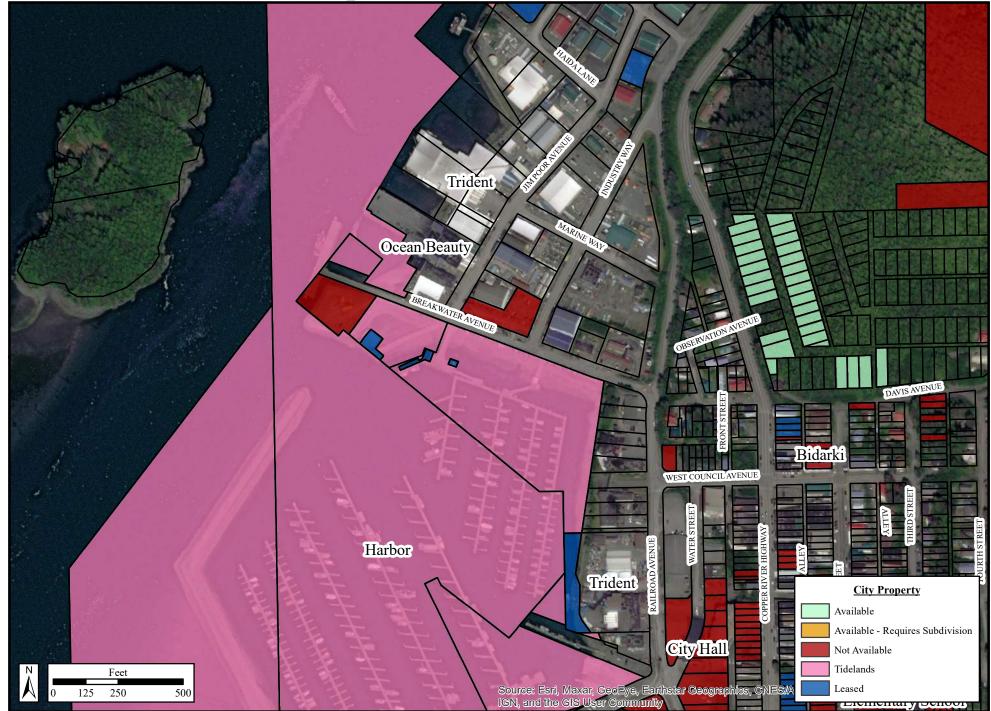
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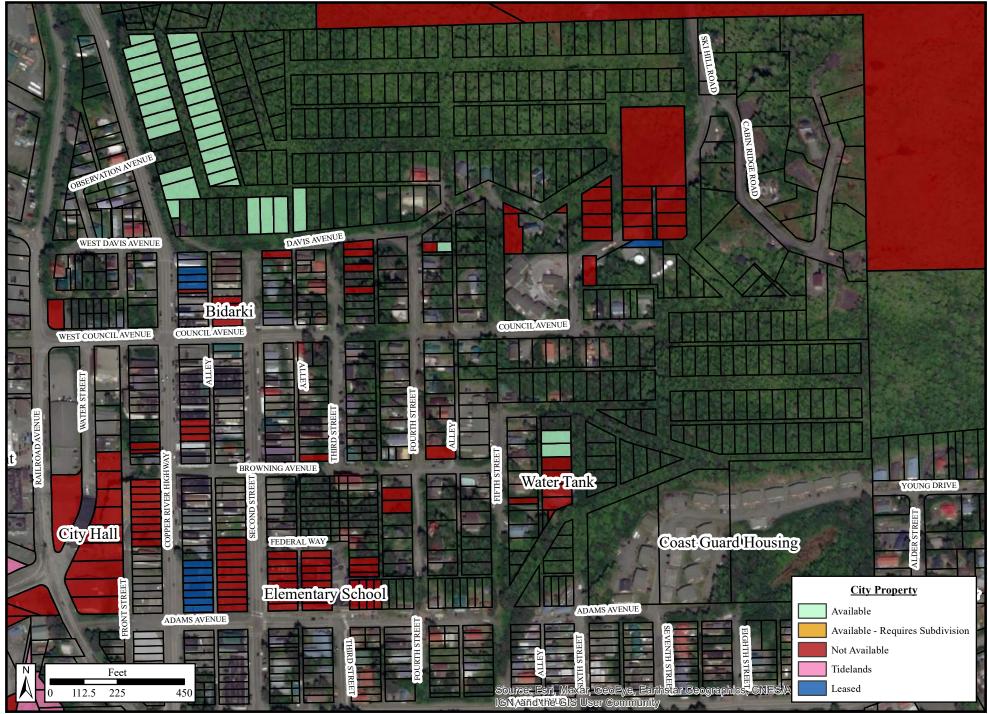
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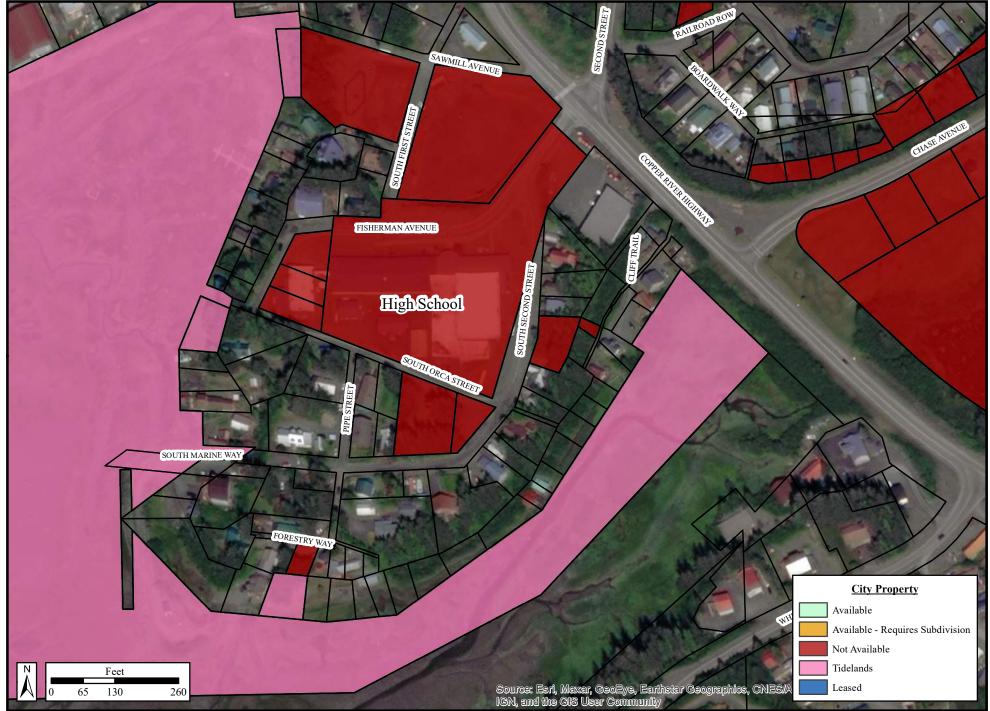
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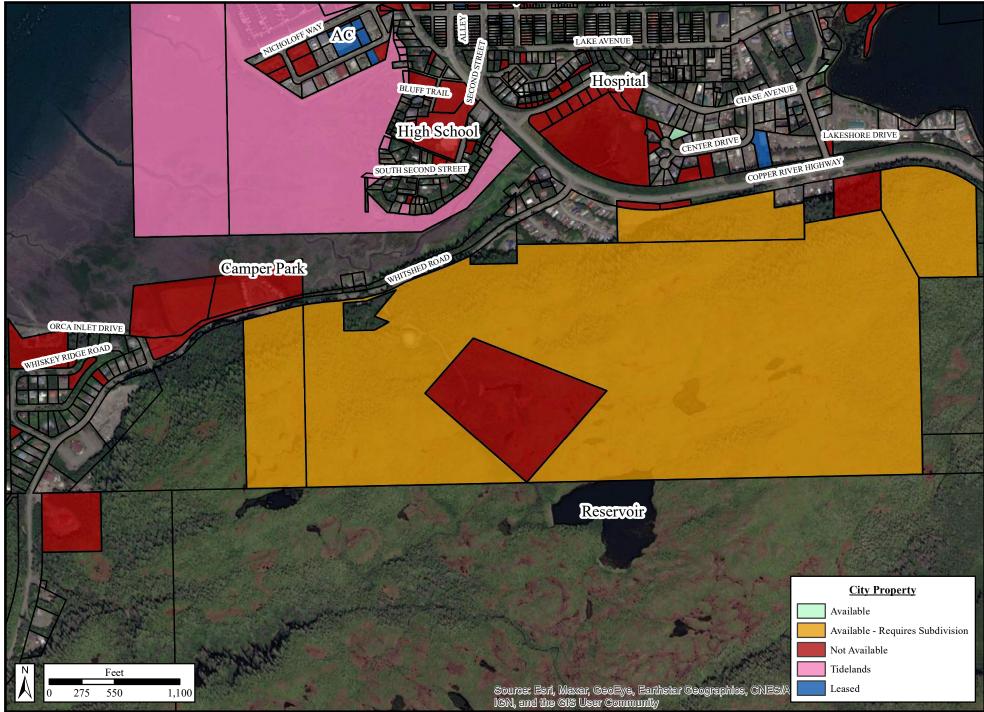
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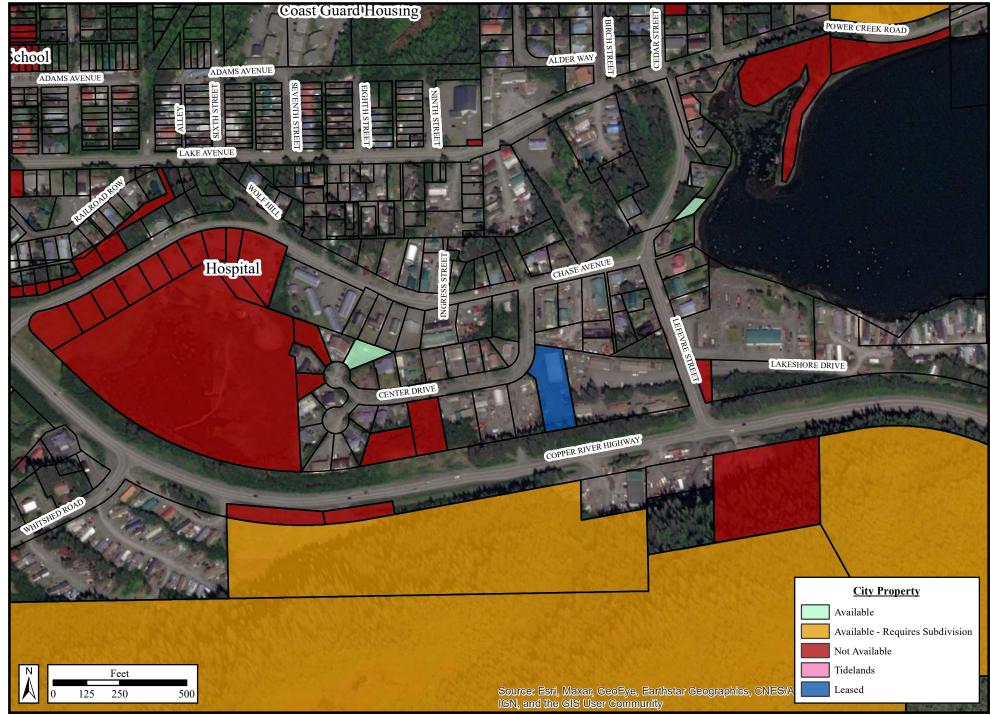
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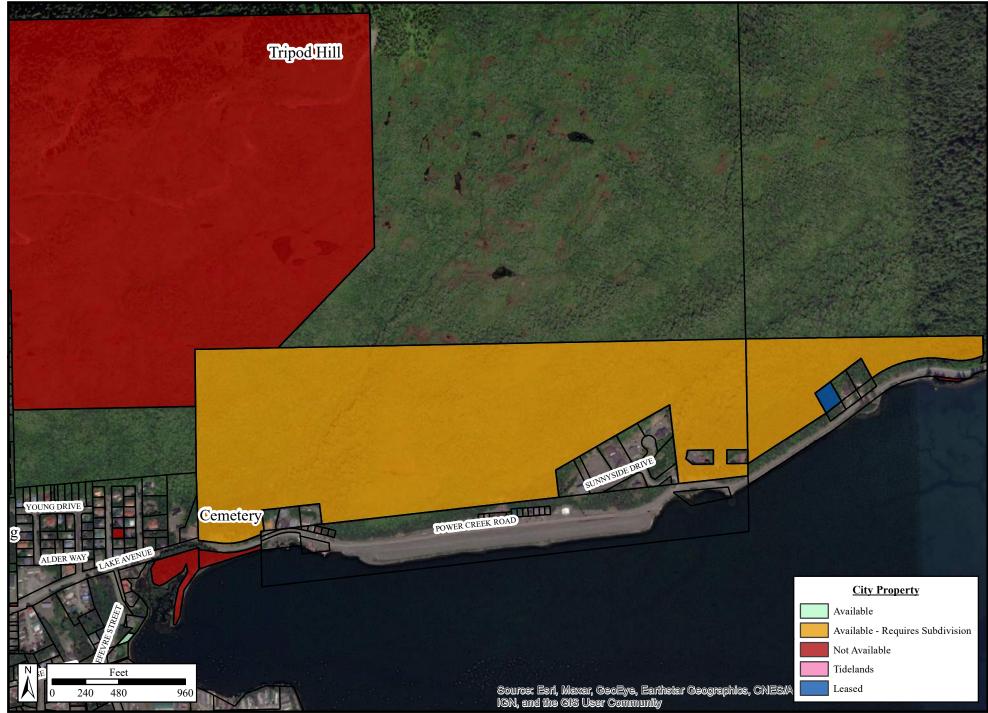
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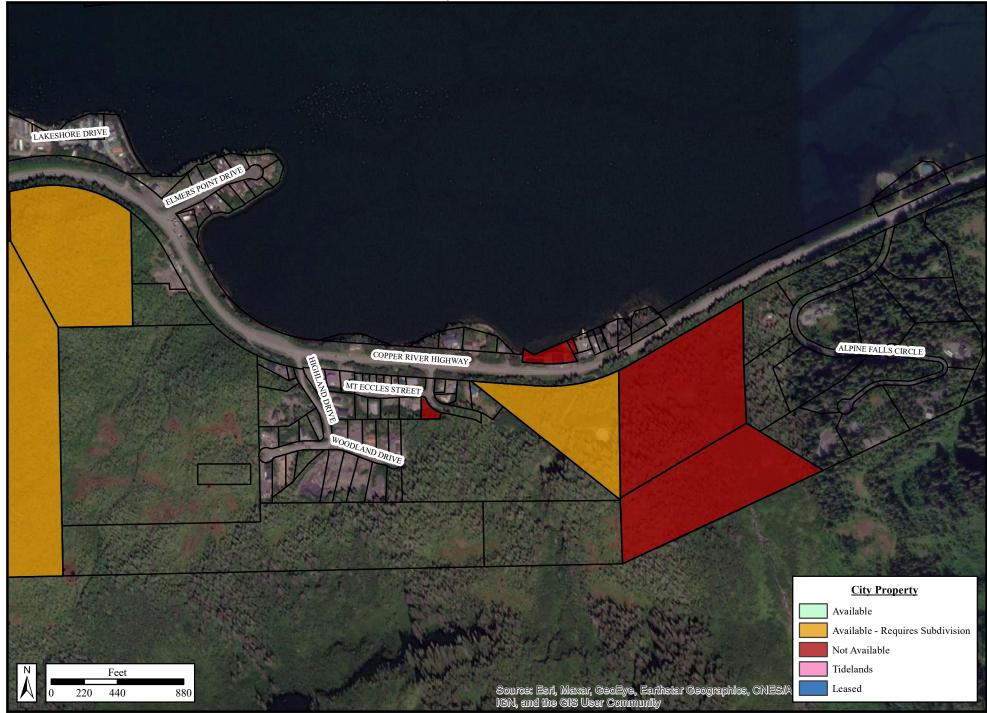
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### **Power Creek Road**



### Eyak Lake



### **Five Mile Loop**

**Fire Substation** 

Area inside red lines is in the Red Avalanche Zone.Property is subject to City Code and FEMA requirements, which include:1. City can only lease property.2. No permanent structures allowed.





COPPER RIVER HIGHWAY



### AGENDA ITEM # 9b Planning Commission Meeting Date: 2/18/21

### PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATION FORM

FROM: Planning Staff

**DATE:** 2/12/21

ITEM: Resolution 12-02

**NEXT STEP:** Pass Resolution

INFORMATION MOTION x RESOLUTION

### I. <u>REQUEST OR ISSUE:</u>

After recent landslides in southeast Alaska, city staff looked into what information there was surrounding potential landslide risks to Cordova. There hasn't been any research relating to landslide hazards in Cordova, and there is little information about the topic in Cordova's Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Staff reached out to the state to see what could be done to remedy the lack of information and discovered there had been a recent effort to further study avalanche and landslide hazards in and around Cordova. Recent landslide concerns associated with Barry Arm and the landslide events in southeast have increased awareness of landslide hazards, and it was indicated that with city and public support, a study for Cordova could likely be funded by FEMA and facilitated through the state and FEMA.

Avalanche/landslide science has significantly progressed with the use of LiDAR technology that can very accurately determine snow depths, vegetation depths, soil information, etc. A new study for Cordova would use LiDAR and could identify hazards which we are currently not aware of. A study can be used to help

improve community resilience by ensuring planning and land use decisions are informed by hazard information. While the developed area of Cordova encompasses a small area, many utilities such as water, electric, and telecommunications extend out into remote locations which could be vulnerable to avalanche/landslide hazards. Understanding potential hazards can help assist the city and other entities in protecting their existing infrastructure and also ensuring new infrastructure is not at risk.

The current estimated timeframe for this project is to try to acquire funding in the summer/fall of 2021, for project to occur the following year.

After the Planning Commission has acted on the resolution, this will go to the City Council as well.

### II. <u>RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEP:</u>

Staff suggest the following motion:

"I move to approve Resolution 12-02."

Staff encourage input on the resolution, including any potential edits to the language or additional whereas statements.

### III. FISCAL IMPACTS:

None; the city would not have to fund or facilitate the study.

#### CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION 21-02

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA SUPPORTING EFFORTS BY THE STATE OF ALASKA AND FEMA TO CONDUCT A SNOW AVALANCHE AND LANDSLIDE HAZARDS ASSESSMENT IN AND AROUND THE CITY OF CORDOVA

WHEREAS, the City of Cordova has not had a recent avalanche hazard assessment and has never had a landslide hazard assessment; and

WHEREAS, a hazard assessment would help inform the community about potential hazards that are currently unknown; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan has a goal to "have comprehensive information regarding avalanche and landslide hazards and unstable soils throughout Cordova's developed area, including areas that will be developed in the future"; and

WHEREAS, the data from a snow avalanche and landslide hazard assessment can be used to help improve community resilience by ensuring planning and land use decisions are informed by hazard information; and

WHEREAS, the data from a snow avalanche and landslide hazard assessment can help the city, other governmental entities, and utilities understand what infrastructure may be vulnerable to hazards, and can help those entities plan new infrastructure around those hazards; and

WHEREAS, having a snow avalanche and landslide hazard assessment will benefit the citizens of Cordova by providing scientific and accurate information about those hazards.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Planning Commission of the City of Cordova, Alaska hereby support efforts by the State of Alaska and FEMA to conduct a snow avalanche and landslide hazards assessment in and around the City of Cordova.

### PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021

Nancy Bird, Chair

ATTEST:

Leif Stavig, City Planner



### AGENDA ITEM # 9c Planning Commission Meeting Date: 2/18/21

### PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATION FORM

FROM: Planning Staff

DATE: 2/12/21

ITEM: Building Codes - Discussion

NEXT STEP: Discuss

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### I. <u>REQUEST OR ISSUE:</u>

Staff and the Planning Commission have discussed and worked on building codes for quite some time. Staff will give an overview at the meeting of where Cordova stands relating to building codes. It would be great to hear from commissioners with experience working with some of these codes and regulations. The primary purpose of the discussion will be to introduce the topic and get everyone on the same page, so that we can identify next steps.

The State of Alaska Division of Fire and Life Safety is the State Building Official for all buildings in Cordova that are not residential housing three-plex or smaller. The state has adopted the 2012 International Building Code (IBC). <u>https://dps.alaska.gov/Fire/regulations</u>

The state oversees professional/business licensing that contractors must abide by. There are different types of contractors such as general contractors, residential contractors, handyman contractors, etc. https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/ConstructionContractors/HiringaContract

#### or.aspx

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) provides much of the lower-interest financing for homes in Cordova. In order to be eligible for AHFC financing, a house must meet their codes, which is the 2018 International Residential Code (IRC). This is the code that Cordova has looked into adopting in the past. https://www.ahfc.us/pros/builders/alaska-minimum-construction-standards

#### Planning Commission Pending Calendar

August 2021

Planning Commission CIP List to City Council (Annual)

September 2021

Comprehensive Plan Review (Annual Review)

January 2022

2022 Land Disposal Maps (Annual Review in January)

February 2022

Planning Commissioner's Training & Planning Conference in Anchorage

# **2021 FEBRUARY**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	01	02	03 7:00 PM - City Council Regular Meeting (Cordova Center Rooms A & B)	04	05	06
07	08	09	10 6:00 PM - Harbor Commission Regular Meeting (Cordova Center Room B) 7:00 PM - School Board Regular Meeting (High School Library)		12	13
14	15 City Closed - President's Day	16	17 7:00 PM - City Council Regular Meeting (Cordova Center Rooms A & B)	18 6:30 PM - Planning Commission Regular Meeting <i>(Electronic)</i>	19	20
21 Planning Commissioner Training 9AM - 12PM 1:30PM - 4PM	22	23 6:00 PM - Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting (Cordova Center Rooms A & B)	24	25 6:00 PM - CCMC Board Regular Meeting (CCMC Conference Room)	26	27
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07	08	09	10	11	12	13

# **2021 MARCH**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	01	02 Cordova General Election 7AM - 8PM	03 7:00 PM - City Council Regular Meeting (Cordova Center Rooms A & B)	04	05	06
07	08	<b>09</b> 6:30 PM - Planning Commission Regular Meeting <i>(Electronic)</i>	10 6:00 PM - Harbor Commission Regular Meeting (Cordova Center Room B) 7:00 PM - School Board Regular Meeting (High School Library)		12	13
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21	22	23	24	25 6:00 PM - CCMC Board Regular Meeting (CCMC Conference Room)	26	27
28	29 City Closed - Seward's Day	<b>30</b> 6:00 PM - Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting (Cordova Center Rooms A & B)	31	01	02	03
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