

**TO:** Mayor Gardner  
City Council Members  
Sand Point Residents

**FROM:** Andy Varner  
City Administrator

**DATE:** December 10, 2017

**SUBJ:** Monthly Report for December 2017



Here is a brief list of items we've been working on since the last report.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

- The big news for my report, of course, is my pending move from the job of City Administrator. As I've told the Mayor and several Councilmembers, it has been an absolute pleasure to work for this community, and I would happily continue to do so if I only had to take my situation into account. There is a plan in place for Mr Cotten to serve as Interim Manager, with his number one job to find my replacement. Before my departure Lamar and I will meet with several groups that are doing various projects in Sand Point, including the dock, harbor float, airport, ANTHC, and others. I have meetings scheduled with Brooks, our insurance folks, and others at the end of this month.

### **DOCK REPLACEMENT DESIGN**

- Things are still on track with the design, planning for construction bids in late January. Environmental documents are in hand, and they're now awaiting the 408 permit from the Corps of Engineers. DOT should schedule a Plans In Hand review shortly to go over the project schedule. I plan to have Mr Cotten attend that meeting with me.

### **TDX**

- I talked to the person at the Dept of Law Regulatory Affairs & Public Advocacy section that will be presiding over the Sand Point Generating rate case. According to him there will be a rate case hearing in late 2018 (probably October), and in the meantime they'll extensively go through TDX books, interview witnesses, and try to determine the validity of SPG's proposed increase. There may even be a settlement before then. They are also scheduled to have a Customer Input Hearing, which usually involves the RCA travelling out to a community to gather info. But I won't hold my breath for that. In the meantime, RCA approved the interim increase that SPG was asking for, at 15.74%.

### **COMP PLAN UPDATE**

- Things are moving along. I went over the latest draft document with AECOM in early December. Lamar and I will meet with them in early January so he is up to speed and can keep the ball moving.

### **NEW HARBOR FLOATS**

- I met with the AEB and Moffatt and Nichol to go over the latest plans, which are at 90% design. I'll work with the borough on including this project in the next AEB capital funding program. The Borough is doing a planning workshop this week in Anchorage, which I will miss unfortunately.

### **PACIFIC MARINE EXPO**

**City Administrator  
Monthly Report  
December 2017**

- The Boat Show was well attended, and the Mayor, Councilmembers Cumberlidge and Brown, and I met with Trident while in Seattle. We also had a brief meeting with Silver Bay Seafoods, who is once again inquiring about a plant operation in Sand Point.