

TO: Mayor Gardner
City Council Members

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SUBJ: Monthly Report for August 2019



Here is a brief list of items I have been working on or tracking since our July meeting:

TRANSPORTATION

- Work continues on the dock project and remains on schedule.
- \$5 million was reinstated to the proposed budget for AMHS for this current fiscal year. The City still faces services cuts, but there are still a lot of moving parts and Mark Hickey and I will continue to track the matter.
- DOT+PF has approached the city about providing an employee to ensure Part 139 service can continue. A memo covers this later on.

BUDGET

- June fish tax came in well under the five-year average and July is trending in the same direction.
- The final state budget remains in flux, but any revenue from the state directly for the city appears to be safe when compared to FY19. PCE funding was restored, which is a major benefit to residents as well as the City; running our buildings and water system is not cheap.
- Irina will be up here for audit prep at the end of the month. We should have a clear picture of our final FY 19 revenues and expenditures at that time.

OTHER ITEMS

- ANTHC awarded the City \$605,000 for major work on the Jumps and Mud Bay lift station. These two lift stations are in poor shape and this is a well-timed announcement for the city. There's still the paperwork to finalize, but the money and there and we are moving ahead with this.
- I spent time working with the online sales tax group assembled by AML to harmonize language while still allowing jurisdictions flexibility in adopting the language. On that note, the City received around \$4,000 from Amazon for April-June.
- Harbor cameras have arrived in Anchorage and the contractor is finalizing up the electrical prep work that must be done before the installation can be done.
- The annual Alaska Municipal League and affiliate meetings will be held November 18-22 in Anchorage, however Fish Expo is November 21-23 in Seattle. Both events are still far out, but it's worth thinking about who will attend which event.