



# DOCKS & HARBORS

## THE TIDE LINE

### OCTOBER 2021



#### Docks & Harbors Meetings

*All meetings will be conducted via Zoom*

Finance Sub-Committee  
October 13th, 2021  
At 5:00 pm

Operations/Planning  
Wednesday  
October 20th  
At 5:00 pm

Finance Sub-Committee  
Wednesday  
October 27th  
At 5:00 pm

Regular Board  
Thursday  
October 28th  
At 5:00 pm

Meetings  
agendas and minutes  
can be found at:  
<https://bit.ly/3aRyTAD>

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**Port Director's Corner:** As we move into October, there are but a handful of large cruise arrivals remaining. The last will be on October 20<sup>th</sup> when the NORWEGIAN ENCORE calls on the AJ Dock. We are estimating a total of 110K passengers disembarking from the large cruise ships with an additional 7K from the smaller US flagged vessel. Many in the cruise industry are forecasting a tourism recovery year in 2022 so there is reason for those, who depend upon cruise ship travelers, to be optimistic moving forward. An outcome of the Mayor's [Visitor Industry Task Force](#) in the [2020 Visitor Industry Task Force Report](#) was to survey Juneau residents regarding their opinion on tourism.

The City and Borough of Juneau has contracted with McKinley Research Group (formerly McDowell Group) to conduct an online survey of Juneau residents regarding the visitor industry. The survey is open now at [JuneauTourismSurvey.com](http://JuneauTourismSurvey.com) and will be open until 4 p.m. on Friday, October 15. The survey takes about 5 minutes to complete. Prior to launching the online survey, McKinley Research Group conducted a random sample phone survey of 500 individuals. If you participated in the phone survey, your data has already been recorded.

As part of Docks & Harbors commitment to local users and to those involved in the tourism industry, we hold biannual meetings at the beginning and end of the summer season. We held the end of season meeting on October 1<sup>st</sup> via Zoom and had over 20 participants provide suggestions to our physical facilities, to improve management practices, and to leverage TBMP concepts. Docks & Harbors will organize the next meeting in April 2022 to ensure public input is included in next year's processes.

**North Douglas Ramp Removal (October 7-9):** The early fall storm (on October 1<sup>st</sup>) damaged one of the North Douglas float ahead of our scheduled removal. We will remove the remaining float, during the favorable tides, between October 7<sup>th</sup> and October 9<sup>th</sup>. We pick multiple days to provide a weather window. Please be aware if you launch prior to that date, you may return without the float in place. Staff will repair the damaged float over the winter and have it ready for installation in March/April 2022.



Photo by Matt Creswell



**Archipelago Lot to Peratrovich Plaza?:** As a nod to the newly installed Elizabeth Peratrovich mural on the Downtown Library, the Docks & Harbors Board is contemplating renaming the Archipelago Lot to Peratrovich Plaza. A resolution to the Assembly will be prepared and submitted through the Board for their consideration.

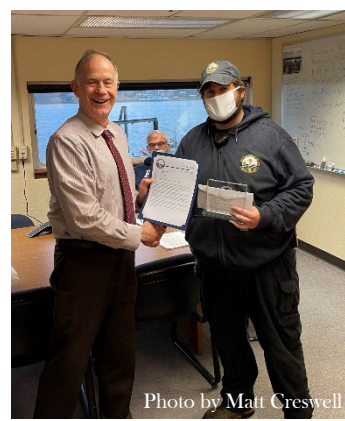


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**Employee-of-the Quarter:** At the September Board meeting, Docks & Harbors recognized seasonal Harbor Technician Kenneth Davis as our Employee of the Quarter. His citation read in part: *“Noticing a rise in thefts and other incidents after hours, Docks and Harbors realized the need for a security position to work a swing shift...You happily volunteered for the position making it much easier to kick off. Your input and previous experience in security was instrumental in designing the daily duties for the Harbor Security Officer...You developed a security log... which allowed supervisors and teammates to track after hours’ happenings....With impeccable customer service skills, you handle this responsibility with the utmost respect and professionalism....During your first three months in this position there was an appreciable decrease in reported crime. This and your attention to detail, hard work, and adaptability have resulted in this program being deemed a great success allowing for the role to be considered as a full time, year round position”*. Well done – Kenneth!

**Docks & Harbors**

**Office Hours:**

**Port Office**

907-586-0292

Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm

**Port/Field Office**

907-586-5720

Closed for winter

**Aurora Harbor**

907-586-5255

Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm

**Statter Harbor**

907-789-0819

Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm

All Offices

Closed 12-1 for lunch

**Harris Harbor Zinc Anode Installation:** Global Diving & Salvage completed installation of zinc anodes to all piles in Harris Harbor on September 26<sup>th</sup>. This \$158K project will extend the useful life of the steel piling by as much as a decade. The project was funded through the 50-50 matching ADOT Harbor Grant program and consistent with the vision of Docks & Harbors to invest in maintenance of our facilities.

**Taku Lot Releveling Project Award:** Docks & Harbors opened bids to relevel the Seawalk area in front of the Alaska Commercial Fishermen’s Memorial. This \$107K project will be awarded to Island Contractors upon approval by the Assembly at its October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. The area has been subject to severe settlement due to poor soil conditions predominately due to the proximity of the former lumber mill.

**Army Diver Support:** Docks & Harbors was able to partner with Army divers from Ft. Eustice (Virginia) to complete several harbor projects. The 569<sup>th</sup> Engineering Dive Detachment deployed to Juneau as part of the Coast Guard’s annual Buoy Tender Round-up. These divers look to mobilize in Juneau to train in cold water operations. We are always pleased to work with our federal partners to provide in-water projects which benefits both Docks & Harbors and the Army Dive Team.

**Passenger-for-Hire Fee Proposal:** The Docks & Harbors Board has directed the Port Director to begin a process to increase the rates 10% under 05 CBJAC 20.080. The public process will begin with the CBJ Law Department drafting the proposed ordinance change and Docks & Harbors advertising the proposed change for a minimum of 21 days. The Docks & Harbors Board will then hold a “public hearing” and then take action based on the public input. Any changes proposed by the Board will require Assembly action to consummate the change.

CBJ offices will be closed on Monday October 18th for Alaska Day

**Harbor Rate Study:** The Docks & Harbors Board has approved using professional services to conduct a review of existing harbor fees which are managed in CBJ Regulations. The first element is this process is to solicit for qualified firms to submit RFPs (Request for Proposal). The instructions to prospective RFP submitters is located here: [RFP-DH22-008-Professional-Services-for-Harbor-Port-Rate-Study.pdf \(netdna-ssl.com\)](https://www.netdna-ssl.com/RFP-DH22-008-Professional-Services-for-Harbor-Port-Rate-Study.pdf). The deadline to submit one’s RFP is November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Help stop theft in our Harbors!** If you see something, say something. Call suspicious activity to JPD Non-Emergency Line at 907-586-0600 and report to the Harbor Office at 907-586-5255.

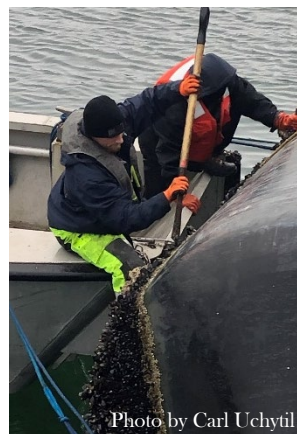


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**Winter Preparation:** Diego Rivera & Anthony Quimby make preparations for the winter by removing 3”- 6” of barnacles/mussels which have accumulated on the Alaska Steamship Dock Yokahama fenders.