



# Docks & Harbors

## The Tide Line

### November 2021



#### Docks & Harbors Meetings

*All meetings will be  
conducted via Zoom*

Finance Sub-  
Committee  
Tuesday

November 9th, 2021  
At 5:00 pm

Operations/Planning  
Wednesday

November 10th  
At 5:00 pm

Regular Board  
Thursday

November 18th  
At 5:00 pm

Finance Sub-  
Committee  
Tuesday

November 23rd  
At 5:00 pm

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

**Port Director Corner:** The Port of Juneau saw the final cruise ship, the Norwegian Cruise Line M/V NORWEGIAN ENCORE, sail on October 20<sup>th</sup> from the AJ Dock. Since July 23<sup>rd</sup>, Juneau welcomed 115,755 passengers on 74 calls from eight “large” cruise vessels. The smaller US flagged cruise ships brought or embarked 7263 passengers from UnCruise, Alaska Dream Cruises, American Cruise Lines and Lindblad vessels. The forecast for CY2022 Alaskan cruises remains very high, and depending on how the pandemic affects individual cruise lines on vessel capacity, Juneau could see passenger numbers exceeding CY19. The M/V NORWEGIAN BLISS is the first scheduled arrival on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**Renaming Archipelago Lot:** At its October 28<sup>th</sup> regular Docks & Harbors meeting, the Board recommended a resolution changing the name of Archipelago Lot 2A to Peratrovich Plaza in honor of Alaskan civil rights leader Elizabeth Peratrovich. This area is now adorned with a 28 foot by 60 foot mural of Elizabeth on the SE side of the downtown parking garage thanks to the efforts of local artist Crystal Worl. Resolution 2968 will be considered for approval by the Assembly most likely at the November 22<sup>nd</sup> Assembly meeting.

**Juneau Cruise Ship Dock Electrification Study:** At the Assembly Committee-of-the-Whole meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup>, the Docks & Harbors consultants provided a briefing on efforts to install the electrical infrastructure which would facilitate cruise ships at the CBJ owned docks to utilize shore power while moored. Information on the presentation and the opportunity for public comment can be found:

<https://juneau.org/harbors/projects>

**New Assembly Liaison to Docks & Harbors:** At the October 25<sup>th</sup> Assembly reorganization meeting, Assembly member Christine Woll was appointed to be the Docks & Harbors liaison. D & H would like to thank Assembly member Alicia Hughes-Skandijis for her support as the liaison for the past two years. D & H is appreciative of the support which the Assembly has provided, especially in light of the challenges posed by the pandemic.

**CBJ offices will be closed in November on Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup> for Veterans Day, Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving.**

**Board Strategic Retreat:** The Docks & Harbors Board will be meeting on Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> to strategize on future efforts and plans for the two Enterprises which are under the charge of the Board. One goal of the gathering is simply to have the Board members meet in the same room which has not occurred since March 2020. The physical location of the retreat will be in the Bartlett Regional Hospital Board Room but will be limited to Board members, staff and a facilitator. Interested members of the public may participate via teleconference at (907)713-2140 ID 370829#. The meetings will start at 5 pm on November 5<sup>th</sup> and 10 am on the following day.

**Request for Proposal (RFP) Harbor Rate Study:** Docks & Harbors is soliciting for proposals to select a professional consultant to conduct an Enterprise rate study. The RFPs are due on November 9<sup>th</sup> and details can be found: <https://chstm2y9cx63tv84u2p8shc3-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/RFP-DH22-008-Professional-Services-for-Harbor-Port-Rate-Study.pdf> It is Docks & Harbors goal to have a selection and contract award by mid-December.



**Docks & Harbors Employee-of-the-Year:** On October 28<sup>th</sup>, at the annual Alaska Association of Harbormasters & Port Administrators conference banquet, Port Operations Supervisor Scott Hinton was recognized as Juneau's Docks & Harbors employee-of-the-year. The citation read in part: *A casualty of the pandemic was that the 2021 large cruise ship season remained uncertain until early July...your entire season hinged on these ever-changing plans for the cruise ships. The last large cruise ship to call upon Juneau was in October 2019. ... you sprang into action to awaken the Port of Juneau from a nearly 22 month hibernation. Due to the lack of ships and therefore, revenue, you were operating the Port with just a skeleton crew of employees. The main focus in the early days of the season was the management of the yacht moorage facilities as well as the general upkeep and cleanliness of the area.... In the span of four weeks you managed to post open positions, select candidates for interview, hire, and then train them for a job none of them had ever performed...you developed a prioritized worklist and leveraged your limited staff to start the cumbersome process of preparing the Port for the arrival of the first cruise ship.... The passenger counts on the ships were varied leading to difficulties in establishing a rhythm as well as the ship schedules were changing on a weekly basis. One ship even changed its summer itinerary to include overnight stops in Juneau for the season...2021 saw a record number of yacht reservations at the Port. This was yet another responsibility that you and your staff juggled. Feedback from customers has been nothing but complimentary of you, your staff, and our facilities. This speaks volumes to your ability to handle multiple priorities without losing efficiency or effectiveness.*

D & H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at [juneauharbors.com](http://juneauharbors.com) faster and easier, and also save money on mailings! Please send an email to [harbormaster@juneau.org](mailto:harbormaster@juneau.org) to request electronic statements.

**ADOT Harbor Grant funding ranking:** A \$2M grant was submitted for the next phase of Aurora Harbor, the following graph shows the State will need to provide \$14,792,302 to be successful.

**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

| Rank                       | Score | Tier | Project name (listed by Tier and then by score)     | Grant Amount Approved | Local Match  | Total Project Cost |
|----------------------------|-------|------|---|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1                          | 241.8 | I    | City of Valdez - Small Boat Harbor Reconstruction   | \$5,000,000           | \$11,529,360 | \$16,529,360       |
| 2                          | 239.2 | I    | City of Yakutat - Small Boat Harbor Replacement     | \$3,667,302           | \$3,667,302  | \$7,334,604        |
| 1                          | 134.2 | II   | AEB/City of Sand Point - Float A                    | \$4,125,000           | \$4,125,000  | \$8,250,000        |
| 2                          | 119.4 | II   | City & Borough of Juneau - Aurora Harbor PH3        | \$2,000,000           | \$2,000,000  | \$4,000,000        |
| 3                          | 106.8 | II   | City of Homer - Homer Harbor Cathodes               | \$366,000             | \$366,000    | \$732,000          |
| 4                          | 94.2  | II   | City & Borough of Sitka - Fisherman's Working Float | \$2,077,775           | \$2,077,775  | \$4,155,550        |
| 5                          | 89.6  | II   | Muni. of Anch, Port of AK - Ship Creek Boat Launch  | \$2,783,112           | \$2,783,112  | \$5,566,224        |
| Total of selected projects |       |      |   | \$20,019,189          | \$26,548,549 | \$46,567,738       |

**Public Hearing for Passenger-for-Hire Fee (05 CBJAC 20.080):** On December 8<sup>th</sup>, the Docks & Harbors Board will hold a public hearing and intends to take final action on proposed changes to fees charged to charter vessel operators using CBJ facilities. The proposal is to increase the per vessel charge by 10% and to increase the per passenger fee from \$1.50 to \$1.65. The hearing will be at a Special Docks & Harbors Board meeting commencing at 5:00 p.m. via zoom. Written comments may also be submitted to the Port Director's Office by fax at (907) 586-0295, by hard copy at 76 Egan Drive, or email [carl.uchytil@juneau.org](mailto:carl.uchytil@juneau.org) by 4:30 p.m. on December 8th, 2021. Interested persons may obtain more information at <https://juneau.org/harbors/public-notices-newsletter> or by calling Port Director Carl Uchytil at 586-0292.

**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.

**Finance Sub-Committee Update:** The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm via Zoom. The Sub-Committee continues to make good progress with identifying when fees were last adjusted and how inflation has affected those rates. The Sub-Committee has also drafted a policy statement on how to prosecute future rate changes which will be discussed on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Operations-Planning Committee meeting.