

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

Edna DeVries, Mayor

PLANNING COMMISSION
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Brendan Carpenter, District 3
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Michael Brown, Borough Manager

PLANNING & LAND USE DEPARTMENT
Alex Strawn, Planning & Land Use Director
Jason Ortiz, Planning & Land Use Deputy Director
Wade Long, Development Services Manager
Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
Lacie Olivieri, Planning Clerk

*Assembly Chambers of the
Dorothy Swanda Jones Building
350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer*

January 5, 2026
REGULAR MEETING
6:00 p.m.

Ways to participate in the meeting:

IN-PERSON: You will have 3 minutes to present your oral comment.

IN WRITING: You can submit written comments to the Planning Commission Clerk at msb.planning.commission@matsugov.us.

Written comments are due at noon on the Friday prior to the meeting.

TELEPHONIC TESTIMONY:

- Dial 1-855-290-3803; you will hear “joining conference” when you are admitted to the meeting.
- You will be automatically muted and able to listen to the meeting.
- When the Chair announces audience participation or a public hearing you would like to speak to, press *3; you will hear, “Your hand has been raised.”
- When it is your turn to testify, you will hear, “Your line has been unmuted.”
- State your name for the record, spell your last name, and provide your testimony.

OBSERVE: observe the meeting via the live stream video at:

- <https://www.facebook.com/MatSuBorough>
- Matanuska-Susitna Borough - YouTube

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes: December 15, 2025

B. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

Resolution 25-28 A Variance In Accordance With MSB 17.65 Variance. Alan & Gloria Hunsuck and Dylan & Sabrena Stenger Submitted An Application For A Variance From The 75-Foot Setback Requirements Under MSB 17.55, To Allow For Construction Of A 1,500 Square Foot Cabin At Its Closest Location Of 27-Feet From Big Lake.
Public Hearing Date: January 19, 2026
Staff: Rebecca Skjothaug, Current Planner

C. INTRODUCTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

VI. AGENCY/STAFF REPORTS

VII. LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS

Resolution 25-29 A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Classifying A Portion Of 5256000T00A As General Use Land For The Purpose Of A Lease To Install A Cellular Communication Tower (MSB007983).
Staff: Suzanne Reilly, Asset Manager

Resolution 25-30 A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Classifying A Portion Of 18N03W09A001 As Reserved Use Land For The Purpose Of A Shooting Range (MSB008238).
Staff: Peter Burton, Land Management Specialist

VIII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (*Three minutes per person, for items not scheduled for public hearing*)

IX. PUBLIC HEARING: QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

Commission members may not receive or engage in ex-parte contact with the applicant, other parties interested in the application, or members of the public concerning the application or issues presented in the application.

X. PUBLIC HEARING: LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- Resolution 25-25** A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Amending MSB 8.55, Special Events, To Repeal The Surety Bond Requirement Standards.
Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director
- Resolution 25-26** A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Amending MSB 17.67, Tall Structures Including Telecommunication Facilities, Wind Energy Conversion Systems, And Other Tall Structures; To Reduce The Minimum Setback Requirements For New Telecommunications Towers.
Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director
- Resolution 25-27** A Resolution Of The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission Recommending Approval Of An Ordinance Amending MSB 15.24 Assembly; Zoning Functions To Update The Process Of Initiating And Amending Lake Management Plans. And A Resolution Establishing A Fee For Processing Requests For Lake Management Plans Under MSB 15.24 Assembly; Zoning Functions.
Staff: Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director

XI. CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. COMMISSION BUSINESS

A. Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Items

XV. DIRECTOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

XVI. ADJOURNMENT (*Mandatory Midnight*)

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