

CITY MANAGER REPORT

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Capital Improvement Plan

I have been working on updating the 2017-2021 City Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). We recently switched from using a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet to Easy CIP database. The Excel spreadsheet was difficult the manage and update projects on a regular basis. With Easy CIP staff can keep the CIP projects up to date and generate an updated plan easily. In addition, we will be able to generate reports on specific types of projects. For example, the *attached figure* shows 10-year costs per year by category, number of projects by department and number of projects by category. Additionally, for each project we can generate a simple project summary sheet (*see attached*). My goal is to have an updated CIP for review and approval by City Council by the December 2022 meeting.

Sea View Street Water Line Break

See attached report on the water line break.

Air Transportation and Essential Air Service

Baggage Fees

On September 1, 2022 Ravn started to charge for baggage. Fees for checked baggage per passenger is as follows (taken from: <u>https://www.ravnalaska.com/bags</u>) :

*If traveling on a connecting flight via another air carrier, baggage fees for both Ravn Alaska and the other carrier are applicable.

Standard Bag Fees	First Bag	Second Bag	Third + additional bags
bags that weight up to 50 lbs and have a maximum dimensions of 62"	\$30	\$40	\$100
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During peak travel periods, we may limit the number of bags that can be checked per passenger. See *Baggage Limitations*.

Baggage fee waivers apply to US military personnel.

Any baggage which exceeds the size or weight allowance, is subject to the additional fees outlined below.

Overweight or Oversize Bags							Bags that weigh 51-100 lbs			Oversize Bag (63"- 115")						
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The maximum outside dimensions for checked items is 30"W x 15"H x 45"L. The maximum weight for checked items is 100 pounds. Additional fees apply for bags over 50 pounds. Baggage fees paid online, through our Contact Center, or at the airport are non-refundable if unused. See more information on the <u>Contract of Carriage</u>.

Review of Air Service 2015-2022

See attached presentation on the review of air service on Saint Paul Island from 2015 to 2022, including COVID-19 related travel information.

Essential Air Service

There seems to be a rumor going around that if Ravn raises Saint Paul Island's ticket prices to \$1000 dollars or more one way that our community will lose essential air service. This is 100% not true. On August 31, 2022, I contacted Kevin Schlemmer and Venkatesh Paluvai with the US Department of Transportation Essential Air Service Program via email to find out this rumor was true or not. Mr. Schlemmer responded (see attached email). There is a \$1,000 subsidy per passenger cap, but it doesn't have anything to do with the fare/ticket price that passengers pay, and it doesn't apply to Alaska. *See 49 USC 41731*.