City of Bethel Action Memorandum

Action memorandum No.	18-65		
Date action introduced:	October 9, 2018	Introduced by:	Council Member Springer
Date action taken:	October 9, 2018	X Approved	Denied
Confirmed by:	KM		

Declaring seats on the Public Safety and Transportation Commission vacant per Bethel Municipal Code 02.52.070.

Amount of fiscal impact:	None

The Bethel Municipal Code requires a Commission declare seats vacant when a resignation has been submitted then accepted by the Commission and when a member has had more than three unexcused absences at regular meetings in a calendar year. The City Clerk's Office cannot provide public notice of a vacancy until the seat has been declared vacant.

The Public Safety and Transportation Commission has seven members and one alternate member currently appointed however, three members have resigned and one has exceeded the number of unexcused absences for the year. The Commission has been unable to establish a quorum to hold a meeting since April of 2018 therefore the Commission has been unable to declare the seats vacant.

Since the Commission is unable to establish a quorum to declare the seats vacant, the Council is asked to declare the seats vacant so that the vacancies can be noticed to the public by the City Clerk's Office and appointments be made to establish a quorum of the body.

Commission Member A submitted their letter of resignation to the City Clerk's Office on August 1, Commission Member B, submitted their letter of resignation to the Recorder of the Commission on August 28th and Commission Member C submitted their resignation to the Clerk's Office on May 2. Commission Member D, has had five unexcused absences for regular meetings since January of 2018.

Member D has been provided notice of this meeting and opportunity to address the City Council at this public meeting if they wish per BMC 2.52.070.