

# Employment & Transportation Committee

## Fall 2021 Update

Anna Attla – Chair

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# Committee Members

## Council Members & Staff

- ▶ Anna Attla
- ▶ Charlene Tautfest
- ▶ Corey Gilmore
- ▶ Dave Fleurant
- ▶ Duane Mayes
  
- ▶ Jamie Kokoszka – staff
- ▶ Jess Doherty – staff
- ▶ Kristin Vandagriff – staff

# Committee Members, cont'd

## Guests

- ▶ Beth Wilson
- ▶ Corina Castillo-Shephard
- ▶ Dave Fleurant
- ▶ David Bérube
- ▶ Demetria Veasy
- ▶ Eric Boyer
- ▶ Eric Gurley
- ▶ Gail Sorensen
- ▶ Gina Bastian
- ▶ Gwen Sargent
- ▶ Heather Chord
- ▶ Jim Kreatschman
- ▶ Jimael Johnson
- ▶ Karen Heath
- ▶ Karen Ward
- ▶ Katarzyna Sowa-Lapinskas
- ▶ Kelda Barstad
- ▶ Lance Haynes
- ▶ Lizette Stiehr
- ▶ Marcus Sanders
- ▶ Mary Middleton
- ▶ Paris Butler
- ▶ Patrick Reinhart
- ▶ Paul Deery
- ▶ Randy Brown
- ▶ Ric Nelson
- ▶ Roger Shelley
- ▶ Sherri McDonald

# Updates Since May - 1

- ▶ Empowerment Through Employment & Transitions Handbook webinar
  - ▶ Held in June over Zoom
  - ▶ Partnered with self-advocates
  - ▶ Statewide reach
  - ▶ 27 attendees

## WEBINAR: EMPOWERMENT THROUGH EMPLOYMENT AND TRANSITIONS HANDBOOK OVERVIEW

For individuals with disabilities who would like to know more about their employment related options and resources in the state of Alaska.

- Join us for a discussion on Alaska specific employment resources for Alaskans with disabilities.
- Programs and Services available and how you can benefit.
- Opportunities for questions and comments.
- Small and large group discussion.



### HOW TO REGISTER:

Register online at:

<https://ticketbud.com/events/176bebd-c7e6-11eb-9d03-42010a717014>

### WHEN:

June 30 from 10:00 am - 11:30 am

### MORE INFORMATION:

For more information or to request an accommodation, please contact Jamie Kokoszka at [jamie.kokoszka@alaska.gov](mailto:jamie.kokoszka@alaska.gov) or call 907-269-8990



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# Updates Since May - 2

- ▶ Expanded reach of Employment & Transportation Committee
  - ▶ Regular guests include Municipality of Anchorage Public Transportation, Alaska Mobility Coalition, Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation, and Community Connections staff
- ▶ Participation in Alaska Work Matters Task Force efforts
- ▶ Collaborated on activities for next 5-year state plan

# Updates Since May - 3

- ▶ Working on updating Employment First reporting
- ▶ Receiving monthly updates from DVR director & Employment First Coordinator
- ▶ Future Goals
  - ▶ Public Transportation improvements in Anchorage / Mat-Su



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**Questions?**