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Memorandum

TO:	Mayor Wythe and Homer City Council
FROM:	Katie Koester, City Manager
DATE:	September 12, 2016
SUBJECT:	SUPPLEMENTAL to the September 12 City Manager's Report

Revenue Sources for General Fund

A presentation and discussion on revenue sources for General Fund was schedule for Committee of the Whole. With cancelation of the meeting, I wanted to provide Council with the information in the supplemental packet to make it available to you and the public. Finance Director Li has prepared the attached charts that show a slight increase in sales and property tax revenue. This is great news as we anticipated a dip is sales tax revenue based on 2015 numbers. Drilling down, sales are up in bar, restaurant, hospitality and tourism related industries. The Chamber projected a strong year in the visitor industry and it looks like it has come to fruition. Please feel free to email me any questions once you have had time to digest the information or bring them to the September 26th Committee of the Whole where preliminary budget assumptions are on the agenda.

Reduction of Planning Commission

The Kenai Peninsula Borough has taken a second look at Borough Planning Commission membership. In June the City Council submitted the attached letter in opposition to KPB Ordinance 16-25 to reduce the KPB Planning Commission membership. A substitute was introduced in August that attempted to address some of the concerns raised by communities.

The Homer Advisory Planning Commission (HAPC) reviewed and discussed the substitute at their September 7th meeting and made a recommendation in opposition to Ordinance 16-25(Mayor Substitute).

The HAPC felt that representation from the various Home Rule/First Class cities and currently designated regions of the Borough is important. A discussion point was that the \$30,000 in projected savings was not enough to justify eliminating representation of communities that have great differences in local conditions and populations. It was stated that there were other methods of saving money including consideration of eliminating some meetings.

Other issues with the ordinance were discussed including the following. The ordinance is quite vague in the fact that it does not clearly identify whose seat would be eliminated in the future. It also seems to indicate that a representative from any at-large region could

represent any other at-large region, which would lead to a loss of local representation. The Anchor Point area would likely lose a local member.

Would Council like me to draft a letter expressing the concerns with KPB Ordinance 16-25 (Mayor Substitute) the HAPC raised to forward to the Borough Mayor and Assembly before their September 20th meeting?

Lunch with a Councilmember

Lunch with a Councilmember kicks off October 10th. Councilmember Reynolds has signed up for the 10th, but there is space for one more if anyone is interested. After the fall election I will circulate a calendar for the rest of the year so the Friends can advertise.

City Attorney

The City Attorney is scheduled to attend the first meeting of the month as part of our contract. However, with relatively light (from the Attorney's perspective at least) meetings in September, I have asked to save the trip down for later in the fall when I would like to schedule a training for councilmembers (and interested commissioners) on open meetings act, ethics, and Council Operating Manual. Birch Horton has offered variations of this training before, but not since I was appointed City Manager and I know I could benefit from some dedicated time on these important topics. I will work with the Council on scheduling after the October election.

Enc:

-Revenue Projections: Charts and Table

-KPB Ordinance 16-25: Memo from HAPC, June letter to Borough from City of Homer, HAPC staff report and Ordinance 16-25(Mayor Substitute)

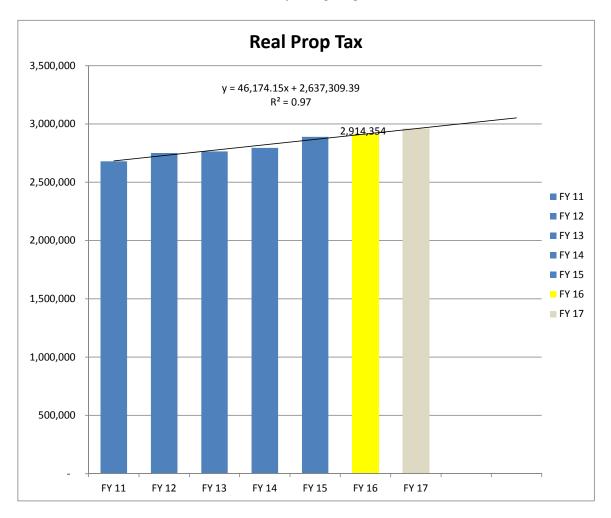
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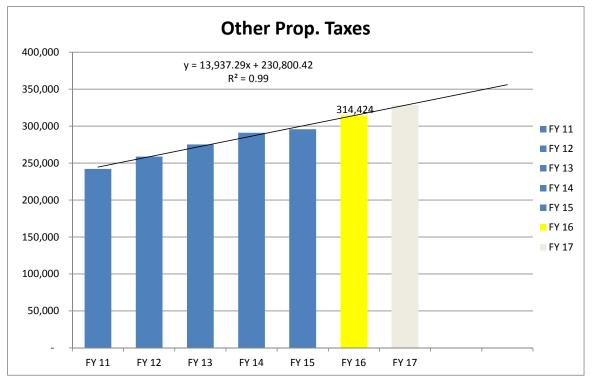
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4101	Real Prop Tax	2,794,940	2,888,902	2,855,317	2,855,317	2,914,354	59,037	2.1%
4102	Per Prop Tax	198,901	207,959	203,277	203,277	221,084	17,807	8.8%
4103	Motr Vehicle Tx	53,100	50,034	54,268	54,268	53,192	(1,076)	-2.0%
4104	Prior Years Taxes	37,483	32,957	38,308	38,308	35,037	(3,271)	-8.5%
4105	Pen/Int Prop Tx	1,508	4,808	1,541	1,541	5,111	3,570	231.7%
4107	Oil Tax	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
	Total Property Taxes	<u>3,085,931</u>	<u>3,184,660</u>	<u>3,152,711</u>	<u>3,152,711</u>	<u>3,228,778</u>	<u>76,067</u>	<u>2.4%</u>
4201	Sales Tax	4,989,941	5,022,763	6,088,816	6,088,816	6,420,356	221 540	E 40/
4201		26,845	25,306	27,000	27,000	33,831	331,540	5.4%
	Cooperative Tax		•				6,831	25.3%
4203 4205	Liquor License Sales Tax Comm	24,350	23,200	24,500	24,500	23,333	(1,167)	-4.8%
4205		4,000 5 045 136	3,000 5 074 269	4,000 6 144 316	4,000	3,667	(333)	-8.3%
	Total Sales and Use Taxes	<u>5,045,136</u>	<u>5,074,268</u>	<u>6,144,316</u>	<u>6,144,316</u>	<u>6,481,188</u>	<u>336,872</u>	<u>5.5%</u>
4301	Driveway Permit	2,045	1,470	1,300	1,300	1,613	313	24.1%
4302	Sign Permits	650	500	300	300	483	183	61.1%
4303	Building Permit	13,950	13,150	12,700	12,700	13,267	567	4.5%
4304	Peddler Permits	2,176	310	1,800	1,800	1,439	(361)	-20.1%
4308	Zoning Fees	6,800	7,650	18,300	18,300	10,933	(7,367)	-40.3%
4309	Row Permit	810	645	0	0	485	485	0.0%
4314	Taxi/chauffeurs/safety Inspec	1,500	3,900	1,200	1,200	2,200	1,000	83.3%
	Total Permits and Licenses	<u>27,931</u>	<u>27,625</u>	<u>35,600</u>	<u>35,600</u>	<u>30,421</u>	<u>(5,179)</u>	<u>-14.5%</u>
4401	Fines/Forfeit	11,282	20,723	10,000	10,000	14,126	4,126	41.3%
4402	Non Moving Fine	8,860	7,568	0	0	5,508	5,508	0.0%
	Total Fines and Forfeitures	<u>20,142</u>	<u>28,291</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>19,634</u>	<u>9,634</u>	<u>96.3%</u>
4801	Interest Income	29,815	36,424	20,000	20,000	20,980	980	4.00/
4801	Total Use of Money	<u>29,815</u>	36,424 <u>36,424</u>	20,000 20,000	20,000 20,000	20,980 <u>20,980</u>		4.9%
	<u>Total Ose of Money</u>	25,015	<u> 30,424</u>	20,000	20,000	20,980	<u>980</u>	<u>4.9%</u>
4501	Ak Shared Rev ***	341,037	322,339	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4503	Prisoner Care	762,233	597,568	424,000	424,000	424,000	0	0.0%
4504	Borough 911	51,840	52,320	51,300	51,300	51,300	0	0.0%
4505	Police Sp Serv	45,000	36,000	36,000	36,000	39,000	3,000	8.3%
4507	Library Grt Ak	7,558	10,154	6,650	6,650	5,997	(653)	-9.8%
4511	Pioner Av Maint	68,000	34,000	34,000	34,000	34,000	0	0.0%
4527	PERS Revenue ***	1,253,205	1,227,364	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4909	Restitution	482	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
	Total Intergovernmental	<u>2,529,355</u>	<u>2,279,744</u>	<u>551,950</u>	<u>551,950</u>	<u>554,297</u>	<u>2,347</u>	<u>0.4%</u>
4311	Library Cards	172	1	0	0	183	183	0.0%
4315	Project Administration Fee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4316	Lid Application Fee	100	200	100	100	133	33	33.3%
4317	Lid Yearly Bill	1,656	10,597	1,200	1,200	4,449	3,249	270.8%
4516	Pw Equip & Serv	2,388	36,647	2,300	2,300	14,254	11,954	519.8%
4599	Pioneer Beautif	445	495	500	500	498	(2)	-0.3%
4601	Ambulance Fees	203,253	109,054	130,000	130,000	130,000	0	0.0%
4602	Fire Contr Kes	0	0	0	0	1,342	1,342	0.0%
4603	Fire Contr Kachemack City	68,681	70,512	67,000	67,000	68,655	1,655	2.5%
4005	•		2,075	1,000	1,000	1,495	495	49.5%
4604	HVF Class Fees	1,535	2,070					
4604	HVF Class Fees Other Services			26,400	26,400	27,619	1,219	4.6%
		27,521 23,276	28,899 22,168	26,400 23,000	26,400 23,000	27,619 21,718	1,219 (1,282)	4.6% -5.6%
4604 4607	Other Services	27,521 23,276	28,899 22,168	23,000	23,000	21,718		
4604 4607 4608	Other Services City Campground	27,521	28,899				(1,282)	-5.6%

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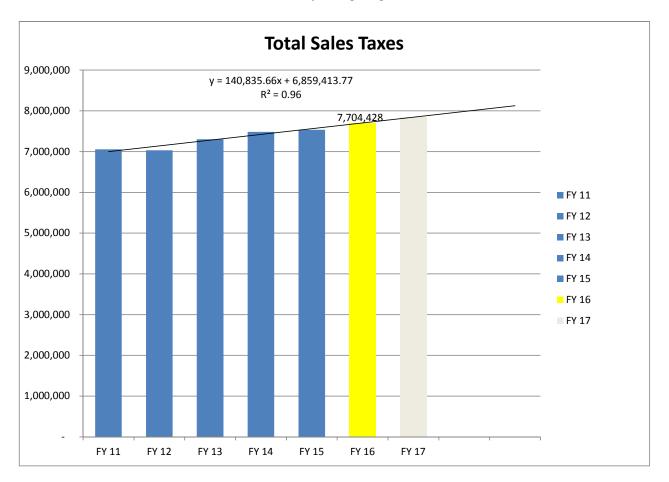
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4612	Publication Fee	20	5	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4613	Cemetery Plots	4,200	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,600	600	30.0%
4614	Community Recreation Fees	39,980	34,058	35,000	35,000	35,401	401	1.1%
4650	Rents & Leases	30	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4654	Spit Camping	133,298	143,860	131,000	131,000	132,803	1,803	1.4%
4660	Advertising - Community School	300	2,710	300	300	1,470	1,170	390.0%
4907	Old School Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
	Total Charges for Services	<u>514,435</u>	<u>488,305</u>	<u>426,800</u>	<u>426,800</u>	<u>455,931</u>	<u>29,131</u>	<u>6.8%</u>
4901	Surplus Prop	0	5,831	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4902	Other Revenue	305	92,991	13,000	13,000	13,000	0	0.0%
4905	Donations/Gifts	350	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4512	REIMBURSEMENTS	840				0	0	0.0%
4906	Proc Law Suits	0	20,268	0	0	0	0	0.0%
	Total Other Revenues	<u>1,495</u>	<u>119,091</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
4655	Airline Leases	62,236	63,053	30,000	30,000	63,519	33,519	111.7%
4656	Concessions	833	1,983	800	800	1,462	662	82.7%
4657	Car Rental	27,240	27,712	24,200	24,200	29,492	5,292	21.9%
4658	Parking Fees	36,465	36,000	35,000	35,000	36,427	1,427	4.1%
4660	Advertising	0	3,072	0	0	1,374	1,374	0.0%
	<u>Total Airport</u>	<u>126,774</u>	<u>131,820</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>132,274</u>	<u>42,274</u>	<u>47.0%</u>
	Total Before Operating Transfers	<u>11,381,015</u>	<u>11,370,229</u>	<u>10,444,377</u>	<u>10,444,377</u>	<u>10,936,503</u>	<u>492,126</u>	<u>4.7%</u>
4981	G/F Admin Water	330,646	274,210	270,328	270,328	270,328	0	0.0%
4982	G/F Admin Sewer	342,409	214,191	227,617	227,617	227,617	0	0.0%
4983	G/F Admin P & H	601,112	605,925	567,485	567,485	567,485	0	0.0%
4984	G/F ADMIN HART	93,476	144,206	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4985	G/F Admin Hawsp	104,697	144,206	138,289	138,289	138,289	0	0.0%
4987	G/F ADMIN HART -TRAILS	10,386	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
4990	Other Transfer	0	0	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.0%
		<u>1,482,726</u>	<u>1,382,738</u>	<u>1,213,719</u>	<u>1,213,719</u>	<u>1,213,719</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
	Grand Total	<u>12,863,741</u>	<u>12,752,967</u>	<u>11,658,096</u>	<u>11,658,096</u>	<u>12,150,222</u>	<u>492,126</u>	<u>4.2%</u>
	Grand Total (Adj) ***	11,269,498	11,203,264	11,658,096	11,658,096	12,150,222	492,126	4.2%

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Introduced by:MayorSubstitute Introduced:08/23/16O2016-25 (Johnson):See Original for Prior HistoryHearing:08/23/16Action:Postponed until 09/20/16Hearing:09/20/16Vote:Vote:

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2016-25 (MAYOR SUBSTITUTE)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KPB 2.40.010 TO REDUCE PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

- WHEREAS, AS 29.40.020(a) requires that planning commission membership be apportioned so that the number of members from home rule and first class cities reflects the proportion of borough population residing in home rule and first class cities located in the borough; and
- **WHEREAS,** all members are subject to appointment by the mayor and confirmation by the assembly, provided that members from home rule or first class cities must be selected by the mayor from a list of recommendations submitted by the city council; and
- WHEREAS, KPB 2.40.010 currently provides that the planning commission shall include one member from each first class or home rule city of the borough, which is not required by statute, and that the number of remaining members from areas in the borough outside such cities must comply with the statutorily required apportionment; and
- WHEREAS, based upon the 2010 US Census figures, the commission would have to be increased by either one or two members to satisfy the statutorily required apportionment figures if the planning commission continues to include one member from each first class or home rule city of the borough; and
- **WHEREAS,** it is not in the best interest of the borough to further increase the number of members appointed to the planning commission; and
- **WHEREAS,** both the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly and School Board are composed of nine members; and
- **WHEREAS,** limiting the total planning commission membership to eleven members, adopting the statutory apportionment requirement, and removing the requirement that every city have one representative but limiting each city to no

more than one member would resolve the problem of an ever-expanding planning commission; and

- **WHEREAS,** beginning the transition on August 1, 2020 would coincide with the expiration of some members' terms and the commencement of the next decennial census, improving the accuracy of information that would become available upon its completion to properly apportion city membership on the planning commission; and
- **WHEREAS**, at its meeting of August 22, 2016 the planning commission recommended _____;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That KPB 2.40.010 is hereby amended as follows:

2.40.010. Membership—Apportionment.

In accordance with AS 29.40.020(a) through 11:59 p.m. July 31, 2020:

- A. The planning commission shall consist of a maximum of thirteen members including one member from each first class or home rule city of the borough and the remainder apportioned so that the number of members from home rule and first class cities reflects the proportion of borough population residing in home rule and first class cities located in the borough. The first class or home rule cities of the borough are:
 - 1. Kenai
 - 2. Soldotna
 - 3. Seward
 - 4. Homer
 - 5. Seldovia
- B. Planning commissioners from outside of first class and home rule cities shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the assembly from each of the following geographic areas as generally described below and depicted in the map on file at the borough clerk's office bearing the borough seal and identified as the planning commission apportionment map approved in Ordinance 2001-29. The sections described in the map and below provide guidelines from which deviations are permitted consistent with the intent that commissioners reside in areas throughout the borough:

- <u>1[6]</u>. East Peninsula;
- 2[7]. Southwest Borough;
- <u>**3[8].**</u> Anchor Point/Ninilchik;
- 4[9]. Kasilof/Clam Gulch;
- 5[10]. Kalifornsky Beach
- <u>6[11]</u>. Ridgeway;
- <u>7[12]</u>. Sterling;
- 8[13]. Northwest Borough.
- **SECTION 2.** That KPB 2.40.010 is repealed effective August 1, 2020.
- **SECTION 3.** That KPB 2.40.015 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

2.40.015. Membership—Apportionment.

In accordance with AS 29.40.020(a):

- The planning commission shall consist of a maximum of eleven A. members. Commission membership shall be apportioned so that the number of members from home rule and first class cities reflects the proportion of borough population residing in home rule and first class cities located in the borough. No more than one member of the commission may be from any single home rule or first class city in the borough unless more are required to satisfy the statutory apportionment requirement. A city member shall be selected by the mayor from a list of recommendations submitted by the council of any cities from which no member will be on the commission when the vacancy is effective, unless apportionment requires more than one member from a city. In that event all eligible city councils may submit a list of recommendations for the additional seat provided that no city may have greater than one member more than any other home rule or first class city. Appointments shall be subject to confirmation by the assembly.
- B. Planning commissioners from outside of first class and home rule cities shall be appointed at-large by the mayor and confirmed by the assembly and may be as representative of the following geographic areas as practical:
 - 1. East Peninsula;
 - 2. Southwest Borough;
 - 3. Anchor Point/Ninilchik/Clam Gulch/Kasilof;
 - 4. Kalifornsky Beach

- 5. Ridgeway;
- 6. Sterling;
- 7. Northwest Borough.

The geographic areas referenced in this section are depicted in the map on file at the borough clerk's office bearing the borough seal and identified as the planning commission apportionment map approved in Ordinance 2001-29.

- C. All planning commission members shall be appointed for their expertise and knowledge of the community and shall represent the entire borough.
- **SECTION 4.** <u>Transition</u>. Existing seats of planning commission members from each area within the new Anchor Point/Ninilchik/Clam Gulch/Kasilof area whose term expires first on or after July 31, 2020 shall not be filled unless necessary to comply with apportionment requirements and provided the total number of commissioners does not exceed eleven. Nothing in this ordinance prohibits a planning commissioner from an at-large geographic area from applying for any open at-large planning commission seat.

Existing seats of city members whose terms expire first on or after July 31, 2020 shall only be filled if, by doing so the number of city members would meet the statutory apportionment requirements and the total number of commissioners would not exceed eleven.

SECTION 5. That Sections 1 and 4 of this ordinance take effect immediately upon its enactment, and Sections 2 and 3 of this ordinance shall take effect August 1, 2020.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS * DAY OF * 2016.

ATTEST:

Blaine Gilman, Assembly President

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Yes:

No:

Absent:



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> MIKE NAVARRE BOROUGH MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

TO: Blaine, Assembly President Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Mike Navarre, Mayor

DATE: August 11, 2016

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2016-25, Substitute (Mayor), An Ordinance Amending KPB 2.40.010 to Reduce Planning Commission Membership

This proposed substitute ordinance 2016-25 would ultimately reduce the number of planning commissioners to 11. Through July 31, 2020 the proposal retains 13 planning commissioners with no changes. After July 31, 2020 two seats, one representing the first class and home-rule cities, and one representing the area of the borough outside the cities, will be eliminated. There will be no more than one planning commissioner from each of the first class and home rule cities unless more are necessary to meet the statutory apportionment requirement in AS 29.40.020. Appointments to city seats will be made by the mayor from a list presented by the city councils subject to confirmation by the assembly. Planning commissioners will be appointed for their expertise and knowledge within the community and, where practical, selected to be representative of seven areas. These areas are the current planning commission districts outside of cities except that districts currently numbered eight and nine are combined.

This proposal seeks the most qualified candidates while reducing the disproportionate representation of the cities on the commission. Few issues from the cities are presented to the full planning commission as all first class and home rule cities have been delegated the power to exercise land use regulation as well as the ability to adopt their own platting regulations while the borough retains the final authority for subdivision approval. The borough exercises the comprehensive planning power for all the cities, providing grant money to the cities to fund the cities' planning efforts and borough staff support as needed. The cities contract for the development of their comprehensive plans. The borough planning commission recommends and assembly approves each city's comprehensive plans.

Your consideration of this substitute is appreciated.





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Date: June 22, 2016

Blaine Gilman, Assembly President Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members 144 North Binkley Street Soldotna, Alaska 99669

Re: Opposition to Ord. 16-25 to Reduce the Planning Commission Membership

The City of Homer opposes Ordinance 16-25 which if passed would reduce the size of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission to nine members. We recognize the need to reduce the size of the commission, but combining communities that are geographically separated by water leaves some communities without proper representation.

The City of Homer and the City of Seldovia have vastly different economies, soils, topography and access. Combining Homer and Seldovia reduces oversight and does not provide adequate representation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Wythe, Mayor City of Homer 491 E. Pioneer Avenue Homer, AK 99603

Cc: Mayor Navarre and Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly





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Staff Report PL 16-52

TO:	Homer Advisory Planning Commission
FROM:	Rick Abboud, City Planner
DATE:	September 7, 2016
SUBJECT:	Borough Planning Commission

Introduction

The Borough has reworked their proposal to eliminate the number of representative on the Planning Commission. Previously, a seat would have been shared between Homer and Seldovia.

Analysis

The amended ordinance keeps Homer as an individual seat of a Planning Commissioner. Some seats are eliminated by combining of some rural areas. Currently, Anchor Point/Ninilchik and Kasilof/Clam Gulch both have representatives. The new ordinance would combine the area into one for representation on the Borough Planning Commission.

Interestingly, the ordinance states, "Nothing in this ordinance prohibits a planning commissioner from an at-large geographic area from applying for any open at-large planning commission seat." The Proposed change in the district boundaries will take place in 2020 and only eleven seats will be available. It is really not said what district will not be represented in 2020, only that no more than eleven will be on the commission. This means that one out of the 5 first class/home rule cities and 7 at-large geographic regions will not have a commissioner. Just guessing that it may be Seldovia, but nor sure, as it is not clearly indicated.

Staff Recommendation

Review and make motion to support or make recommendation.

Attachments

- 1. 2016-25 Mayor Substitute
- 2. Memorandum dated August 11, 2016 regarding Ordinance 2016-25
- 3. Proposed Planning Commission Apportionment Map dated July 15, 2016





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Memorandum 16-145

TO:	MAYOR WYTHE AND HOMER CITY COUNCIL
FROM:	MELISSA JACOBSEN, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK
THROUGH:	KATIE KOESTER, CITY MANAGER
DATE:	SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
SUBJECT:	PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION ON KPB ORDINANCE 2016-25

At the September 7, 2016 Homer Advisory Planning Commission meeting the commission discussed and made recommendation regarding *Staff Report PL 16-52, Recommendation for the number of commissioners on the Borough Planning Commission* as follows:

City Planner Abboud commented the Commission had a good discussion about this at their worksession. It's implied there is a population formula that will determine who serves on the Borough Planning Commission; it's vague and can't be determined for certain who will serve.

Commissioner Venuti, Homer's representative on the Borough Planning Commission, commented the Borough has been out of compliance on this for nine years and it will be put off until 2020. His concern is eliminating any input from Seldovia or Anchor Point and while this group could oppose this proposal by the Borough Mayor, he thinks it's the councils place to make the recommendation to the borough.

HIGHLAND/BOS MOVED TO RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL ON STAFF REPORT PL 16-52 THAT THE COMMISSION OPPOSES THE MAYOR'S SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE 2016-25.

There was brief discussion that all of the cities should be specifically represented and that "at-large geographic region members" is vague.

VOTE: NON OBJECTION: UNANIMOUS CONSENT

Motion carried.



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Memorandum 16-146

TO:	Mayor Wythe and the Homer City Council
THROUGH:	Katie Koester. City Manager
FROM:	Rick Abboud AICP, City Planner
DATE:	January 13, 2016
SUBJECT:	KBP Ord. 2016-25, An Ordinance amending KPB 2.40.010 to Reduce Planning
	Commission Membership.

The Homer Advisory Planning Commission (HAPC) reviewed and made a recommendation at the meeting of September 7th in opposition to the Borough ordinance that proposes to reduce membership in the KPB Planning Commission.

The HAPC discussed the item and felt that representation from the various Home Rule/First Class cities and currently designated regions of the Borough is important. A discussion point was that the \$30,000 in projected savings was not enough to justify eliminating representation of communities that have great differences in local conditions and populations. It was stated that there were other methods of saving money including consideration of eliminating some meetings.

Other issues with the ordinance were discussed including the following. The ordinance is quite vague in the fact that it does not clearly identify whose seat would be eliminated in the future. It also seems to indicate that a representative from any at-large region could represent any other at-large region, which would lead to a loss of local representation. The Anchor Point area would likely lose a local member.

The Homer Advisory Planning Commission recommends that the Homer City Council oppose the KPS Ordinance 2016-25.