Introduced by:

Bagley, Johnson

Date:

02/24/15

Hearing:

04/07/15

Action: Vote: Enacted 8 Yes, 1 No, 0 Absent

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2015-05

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KPB 22.40.100(B) REGARDING DEBATE OF ORDINANCES PROPOSED FOR INTRODUCTION

- WHEREAS, KPB 22.40.100(B) limits the debate of ordinances up for introduction to the date for public hearing, committee referral and committee reports and yet states the vote shall be limited to whether to set for public hearing and the date; and
- WHEREAS, this means the assembly members cannot debate whether to set the ordinance for a public hearing even though they vote on that question; and
- WHEREAS, some agenda items are far more controversial than others and allowing for debate on whether to set the ordinance for public hearing at introduction could help members decide how to vote on this question and also think of amendments for the public hearing;

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

**SECTION 1.** That KPB 22.40.100 is hereby amended as follows:

## 22.40.100. Agenda—Ordinances—Introduction.

- A. Except for emergencies, ordinances proposed for introduction under normal procedures shall state the date of public hearing and shall be placed on the consent agenda unless removed by request of a member, the mayor, or a committee.
- B. Debate of ordinances proposed for introduction which have been removed from the consent agenda shall [BE LIMITED TO THE DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS. THE VOTE SHALL BE LIMITED] relate to whether to set for public hearing and the date.
- C. Ordinances proposed for shortened time and emergency ordinances shall be open to public comment and may appear on the consent agenda. The justification for requesting shortened time shall be set forth in writing accompanying the ordinance.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance takes effect immediately upon its enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 7TH DAY OF APRIL, 2015.

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes:

Cooper, Haggerty, Gilman, Johnson, McClure, Ogle, Wolf, Bagley

No:

Welles

Absent:

None