

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Planning Department

MEMORANDUM

TO: Wayne Ogle, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor *CP*
Max Best, Planning Director *MB*

FROM: Bruce Wall, Planner *BW*

DATE: July 25, 2019

RE: Ordinance 2019-21, Amending KPB 21.02 Regarding Advisory Planning Commissions Establishing an Advisory Planning Commission in the Kalifornsky Area (Mayor)

The Kenai Peninsula Borough has established Advisory Planning Commissions (APCs) in several communities throughout the borough including Hope, Moose Pass, Cooper Landing, Anchor Point, and Funny River. These APCs provide residents with an opportunity to participate in locally focused land use planning activities proposed for their community and to provide recommendations to the KPB Planning Commission on land use planning and public land management issues, which may affect the character of their communities.

A letter of interest and a petition have been received requesting that an Advisory Planning Commission be created in the Kalifornsky area (KPB 21.02.030). The planning director has held a community meeting to discuss the proposed boundaries of the APC (KPB 21.02.040). A map of the proposed boundaries is included in your packet. The mayor will appoint seven residents to the APC within 90 days of the adoption of this ordinance. These appointments will be presented to the assembly for confirmation.

The borough owns approximately 5,800 acres within the proposed boundaries of the Kalifornsky Advisory Planning Commission and the borough land management officer has indicated that additional community input is needed for the effective management of these lands. A number of other land use planning activities in the community would benefit from additional public input.