

Kenai Peninsula Borough  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Brent Johnson, Assembly President  
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

**FROM:** Charlie Pierce, Mayor CP  
Bill Elam, Assembly Member BE

**DATE:** November 23, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Pierce Amendment #1 to Ordinance 2021-40, Amending KPB 2.40.015 Regarding Planning Commission Membership and Apportionment (Cox, Chesley)

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[Please note the bold underlined language is new and the strikeout language in brackets is to be deleted.]

➤ Amend Section 1, subsection D as follows:

- D. All planning commission members shall be appointed for their expertise and knowledge of the community and shall represent the entire borough. **An individual elected as a city council member, city mayor, or appointed to a city's planning and zoning commission may not serve in a concurrent dual service role on the borough's planning commission.**

This amendment guards against "pyramids of power" and "incompatible offices" that may occur with dual service roles. The intent is to avoid disenfranchising the public; to open up public service to a greater number of individuals.

➤ Add a new Section 3 as follows:

**SECTION 3. That the amendment to KPB 2.40.015(D) prohibiting concurrent dual service shall not affect current borough planning commissioners and shall only be applicable to a planning commissioner whose terms begins after January 1, 2022.**

This amendment is proposed to ensure that the dual service prohibition does not impose an undue hardship on the planning commission or planning commissioners who may be impacted by this change midway through their term.

Your consideration of these amendments is appreciated.