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Blaine Gilman, Assembly President Brent Johnson, Vice President

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

FROM: Blaine Gilman, Assembly President

DATE: April 7, 2016

RE: Resolution 2016-<u>M2</u>, A Resolution Authorizing the Clerk's Office to Publish Agendas for Assembly Meetings on the Kenai Peninsula Borough Home Page Instead of Using Newspapers, in Addition to Continuing Other Current Postings at Various Public Offices Throughout the Borough (Gilman)

The clerk's office has historically published copies of the full assembly agenda in newspapers in the borough at least five days before each assembly meeting day. This is not required by law and is becoming increasingly expensive.

In recent years it has become apparent that most people now obtain information about upcoming assembly meetings through the borough web page. The information posted on that web page about upcoming assembly meetings is far more complete than the agenda in the newspaper.

This resolution authorizes the clerk to post agendas for upcoming assembly meetings on the borough website instead of publishing them in newspapers. The clerk will continue to provide copies to various public offices throughout the borough for posting. Additionally, if members of the public would like copies of the agenda delivered to them by mail, that is a service offered by the clerk's office which will continue.

The clerk's office is required by law to publish in newspapers of general circulation in the borough summaries of all ordinances at least five days prior to hearing and will continue with that practice. For FY16 the average cost of publishing the full agenda of each assembly meeting was \$1,360. It is estimated that the cost of publishing summaries of ordinances scheduled for hearing in FY2017 will be \$600 per assembly meeting. Projected annual savings is estimated at \$15,000.

Your approval of this resolution would be appreciated.