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Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission 144 N. Binkley Street Soldotna, Alaska 99669

In Regards To: Ordinance KPB 2021.40

Dear Commissioners:

Attached, please find a letter from the City of Homer to the Kenai Borough Assembly, sent last summer, as Mayor Pierce rolled out his ideas for populating the Kenai Peninsula Planning Commission in the future.

We were quite clear at the time, and remain committed to the notions that:

- A) The City of Homer should have a permanent seat on the Commission; and
- B) The City of Homer should choose its nominee through the normal process of (City) mayoral appointment with City Council consent.

Mayor Pierce gives up little, as he will appoint the majority of the commission, but Homer could lose its sole seat if the process is controlled by the Borough. Please consider the merits of KPB 2021.40. We hope the KPB Planning Commission will support the cities in their desire to nominate their representatives. Representational government demands an association to those represented.

Cordially,

Ken Castner

Mayor, City of Homer, Alaska

cc: Lane Chesley, District 8 Assembly Member