
City of Seldovia



www.cityofseldovia.com

P.O. Drawer B Seldovia, Alaska 99663 Phone: (907) 234-7643, Fax: (907) 234-7430 email: citymanager@cityofseldovia.com

October 22, 2021

Mayor Pierce and Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly
Electronically submitted: assemblyclerk@kpb.us

Subject: Letter of Support for KPB Ordinance 2021-40

Mayor Pierce and Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly,

On behalf of the City of Seldovia, I am writing in support of Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) Ordinance 2021-40.

At their July 26, 2021 meeting, Mayor Campbell and Seldovia City Council discussed the composition of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission. While no formal action was taken at the meeting, the Council's preference was for Seldovia to retain a seat on the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission and the council spoke in support of requesting the KPB consider reinstating 13 seats on the Commission to ensure each first class and home rule city (5 total) has a guaranteed seat and that the Borough Mayor recognizes the city's recommended appointment to the Commission.

Ordinance 2021-40 seeks to increase the KPB Planning Commission seats from 11 to 13. The ordinance also guarantees Seldovia a seat on the Commission. Additionally, the ordinance maintains the City's ability to nominate one or more applicants for consideration to Seldovia's designated seat, and that the applicant must be a resident of Seldovia in order to serve.

Given discussion regarding this ordinance is occurring the day after the Seldovia City Council meeting (October 25th), I can offer additional feedback I receive from the council at the ordinance's hearing.

Thank you for your consideration,



Rachel Friedlander
City Manager

Introduced by: City Manager
Date: 11/8/21
Action: Approved
Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No

**CITY OF SELDOVIA
RESOLUTION 22-18**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELDOVIA, ALASKA
SUPPORTING THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2021-40
REGARDING PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP AND APPORTIONMENT.**

WHEREAS, At the July 26, 2021 regular meeting, Seldovia City Council discussed the composition of the Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, While there was no formal action taken at the meeting, the Council expressed that its preference was for Seldovia to retain a seat on the KPB Planning Commission and spoke in support of requesting that the Borough consider reinstating thirteen seats on the Commission to ensure each first class and home rule city has a guaranteed seat and that the Borough Mayor recognizes the city's recommended appointment to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, KPB Ordinance 2021-40 seeks to increase the KPB Planning Commission seats from 11 to 13. The ordinance maintains the City's ability to nominate one or more applicants for consideration to Seldovia's designated seat, and that the applicant must be a resident of Seldovia in order to serve; and

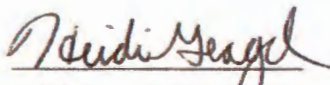
WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the City of Seldovia to support KPB Ordinance 2021-40.

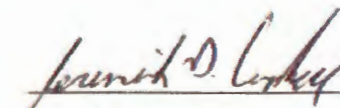
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELDOVIA that the Seldovia City Council unanimously supports KPB Ordinance 2021-40.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of Seldovia, Alaska, on this 8th day of November, 2021.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Heidi Geagel, City Clerk


Jeremiah Campbell, Mayor



Broyles, Randi

From: Blankenship, Johni
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 9:25 AM
To: Broyles, Randi
Subject: FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>City of Seldovia Additional Comments concerning KPB Ord. 2021-40
Attachments: City of Seldovia Letter of Support.pdf; City of Seldovia Resolution.pdf

From: Rachel Friedlander <citymanager@cityofseldovia.com>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 9:21 AM
To: G_Notify_AssemblyClerk <G_Notify_AssemblyClerk@kpb.us>
Cc: Tupper, Mike <MTupper@kpb.us>; Jeremiah Campbell <campbell@cityofseldovia.com>; Stephanie Queen (squeen@soldotna.org) <squeen@soldotna.org>; Paul Ostrander <postrander@kenai.city>; Robert Dumouchel <RDumouchel@ci.homer.ak.us>; Janette Bower <jbower@cityofseward.net>; Heidi Geagel <cityclerk@cityofseldovia.com>
Subject: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>City of Seldovia Additional Comments concerning KPB Ord. 2021-40

CAUTION:This email originated from outside of the KPB system. Please use caution when responding or providing information. Do not click on links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender, know the content is safe and were expecting the communication.

Honorable Mayor Pierce and Borough Assemblymembers,

On behalf of the City of Seldovia, I am reaffirming the city's support of Ord. 2021-40 while opposing Amendment 1.

If passed, Amendment 1 places further restrictions on who a City can forward as a recommendation for consideration of a KPB Planning Commission seat. Specifically, a Mayor, Councilmember, or City Planning Commissioner **could not** be appointed to the KPB Planning Commission.

Seldovia City Council's passage of Resolution 22-18 was in support of Ord. 2021-40 as originally written, calling out that the ordinance maintains the city's ability to nominate one or more applications for consideration to Seldovia's designated seat. In July, Seldovia City Council expressed support for the Borough Mayor recognizing the city's recommended appointment to the Commission.

Amendment 1 goes against Seldovia City Council discussions and legislation.

Thank you for your consideration of the City of Seldovia's support for Ord. 2021-40 as originally written.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel

Rachel Friedlander
City Manager

City of Seldovia
P.O. Drawer B