Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kelly Cooper, Assembly President

Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Willy Dunne, Assembly Member () for Willy Dunne

DATE: April 9, 2020

RE: Ordinance 2020-21, Amending KPB 21.02.050 to Change the

Kachemak Bay Advisory Planning Commission Membership by Removing the City of Homer Ex Officio Non-Voting Member (Dunne)

The Kachemak Bay Advisory Planning Commission (KBAPC) is currently inactive and residents have expressed a desire to re-activate it. In reviewing the code sections regarding the KBAPC it came to my attention that this is the only borough advisory commission with a requirement that it include a member from the City of Homer, which is outside its boundaries. The member from Homer serves in an exofficio non-voting capacity and must be a member of the Homer Advisory Planning Commission.

All other borough advisory planning commissions only include residents of the commission boundaries, and none of them include any part of a city in their boundaries. As these are designed to represent the interests of their communities it does not seem consistent to require this advisory planning commission to include a member from a city planning commission, even though the member is ex-officio and non-voting.

As we re-activate the KBAPC I see no reason to treat it differently than the other borough advisory planning commissions. This ordinance would remove that position from the board and put it on the same footing as the other borough advisory planning commissions.

Your consideration of this ordinance is appreciated.