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Hello,

When you are talking about the mayor's election tonight, I hope you consider mail-in voting. I imagine that mail-in voting would cost too much-but in reality I do feel you would get a stronger voter turnout,

Looking at the voter turnout for this past election there are some key statistics that show why mail in voting is better. Primarily, the voter turnout in 5 out of the 6 precincts was solid. Moose Pass was the highest of all the precincts with a 29 percent voter turnout, followed by Moose Pass with a 22 percent voter turnout. I also was pleasantly surprised to see Seldovia/Kachemak Bay voters turnout. https://www.kpb.us/components/com_papyruslist/document.php?d=3093058

I know that many voters did sign up to get absentee ballots for all borough elections for the year and I am assuming that this process will continue for the mayor's race. (Another interesting statistics from this election was that of the 9.653 ballots casted-over 20 percent of those ballots (1,958) were absentee, questioned or special needs.

This would be our 5th election for this year. (Glad we pay for postage for absentee ballots-thank you). If we don't mail-in for this election, I do hope we can put some strong messaging out about voting absentee and reminding people again how to do it-and it is safe and secure. The other thing that I tell voters, is that it is a good idea to apply for absentee regardless, because you can never be 100 percent sure you will be able to vote the day of elections.

My final concern is the weather. It could be a factor when going to the polls for this election. It can definitely be a deterrent for people that want to go to the polls and decide not to because of the weather.

I appreciate all of the work you all do on these gigantic projects and just wanted to weigh in on this

issue.

Sincerely,

Alex Koplin