

Introduced by:	Mayor
Date:	08/23/22
Hearing:	09/20/22
Action:	Enacted
Vote:	9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2022-41**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KPB CHAPTER 21.02 TO ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY
PLANNING COMMISSION IN THE NIKISKI AREA**

WHEREAS, the assembly has previously created local advisory planning commissions (“APCs”) within the Kenai Peninsula Borough (“KPB”) for the purpose of providing recommendations to the KPB Planning Commission on land use planning and public land management issues which may affect the existing and/or future character of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Goal 2 of the 2019 KPB Comprehensive Plan is to “Proactively manage growth to provide economic development opportunities on the Kenai Peninsula Borough while preserving what residents and visitors value about the area’s natural features”; and

WHEREAS, Goal 2, Objective E states, “Actively work with interested communities outside of the incorporated cities to help develop locally-driven community plans and Strategy 4: Near-Term: Encourage unincorporated communities to engage with their established local Advisory Planning Commission (“APC”) and encourage establishment of new APCs for communities not currently represented”; and

WHEREAS, a petition, signed by over 20 qualified voters who are residents within the proposed boundaries of the Nikiski APC, has been received by the KPB Clerk requesting the formation of an APC in the Nikiski community; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2022, the KPB Planning Director held a community meeting to discuss the proposed boundaries of the Nikiski APC; and

WHEREAS, the petitioned area of interest is 3,500,000 acres as the proposed boundaries of the Nikiski APC and the KPB Planning Department has indicated that additional community input is needed for the effective management of these lands; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting held on August 22, 2022, the KPB Planning Commission recommended approval as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding a new section to be numbered 21.02.230, which shall read as follows:

21.02.230. Nikiski Advisory Planning Commission.

An advisory planning commission is established for the community of the borough known as Nikiski with boundaries as follows:

Commencing at the township line between T5N and T6N R17W S.M., and the mean high water line on the westerly shore of Cook Inlet;

Thence westerly along the township line between T5N and T6N to the westerly boundary of the Kenai Peninsula Borough;

Thence northerly and easterly along the boundary of the Kenai Peninsula Borough through Cook Inlet to the protracted northeast corner of T11N R5W in Turnagain Arm;

Thence southeasterly to the intersection of the southerly mean high water line of Turnagain Arm and the 150th meridian west of Greenwich within T10N R4W S.M.;

Thence southerly along the 150th meridian to the township line between T8N and T9N R4W;

Thence westerly along the township line between T8N and T9N to the northwest corner of T8N R9W S.M.;

Thence southerly along the range line between R9W and R10W to the southeast corner of T6N R10W S.M.;

Thence westerly along the township line between T5N and T6N to the southeast corner of Section 32 T6N R10W;

Thence northerly along the section line between Sections 32 and 33 to the northeast corner of Section 32;

Thence westerly along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 31 T6N R10W on the corporate boundary of the city of Kenai;

Thence northerly and westerly along the corporate boundary of the city of Kenai to the intersection with the mean low water line of Cook Inlet and the section line between Sections 23 and 26 T6N R12W S.M.;

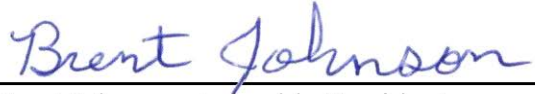
Thence westerly along the section line extended three miles into Cook Inlet;

Thence southwesterly to the protracted southeast corner of T6N R14W in Cook Inlet;

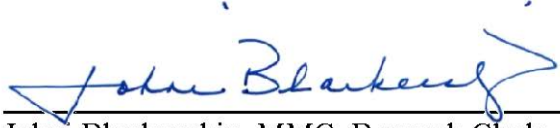
Thence westerly along the protracted township line between T5N and T6N to the mean high water line on the westerly shore of Cook Inlet the true point of beginning.

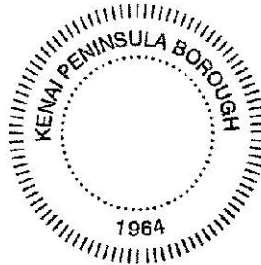
SECTION 2. That this ordinance shall be effective immediately upon enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 20TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2022.


Brent Johnson, Assembly President

ATTEST:


John Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bjorkman, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Ecklund, Elam, Hibbert, Tupper, Johnson
No: None
Absent: None