

Kenai Peninsula Borough
Office of the Borough Clerk

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kelly Cooper, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Assembly Member Tyson Cox *JC*
Assembly Member Willy Dunne *WD*
Assembly Member Brent Hibbert *BH* *for B.H.*
Assembly Member Hal Smalley *(B) for H.S.*

FROM: Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk

DATE: May 21, 2020

RE: Amending Ordinance 2020-24, Amending KPB Title 4 Regarding Borough Elections to Provide for Vote by Mail Elections, for More Time Between a Regular Election and a Run-Off Election, and to Remove Proposition Statements (Cox, Dunne, Hibbert)

This amendment would change the effective date of the ordinance to January 1, 2021. This change would allow the borough sufficient time to purchase, program, and integrate necessary software and equipment in order to be adequately prepared for vote by mail elections.

In the event there is an ongoing disaster emergency declaration during the 2020 local elections, whether due to Covid-19 or other disaster, that restricts the borough's ability to conduct its regular election at polling locations, then the borough could enact emergency legislation specific to the disaster and its impact on the borough's ability to conduct polling location voting.

The following amendment is requested:

- Amend Section 18 to read as follows:

SECTION 18. That this ordinance shall become effective ~~[immediately upon enactment]~~ January 1, 2021.

Your consideration is appreciated.