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**From:** jpbmd <jpbmd@pobox.alaska.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 4, 2020 10:42 AM  
**To:** Hibbert, Brent; Smalley, Hal; Bjorkman, Jesse; Cox, Tyson; Blakeley, Norm; Carpenter, Kenn; Johnson, Brent; Cooper, Kelly; Dunne, Willy; BoroughAssembly  
**Cc:** Blankenship, Johni; Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Vote by mail

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I am writing in support of the hybrid vote by mail / vote in person system proposed in Ordinance 2020-24 which I heard the assembly pass during yesterday's meeting. I did not hear the result of the request to reconsider at the next meeting. Thank you for passing the ordinance, and, if it is to be reconsidered, I encourage you to uphold it. The hybrid VBM system is a wise and necessary move both in response to Covid conditions and also because it expands the abilities of and opportunities for borough residents to practice their right to vote. Seems like a no-brainer.

Thank you,  
Katie

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 4, 2020 9:01 PM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** Fwd: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>For Assembly members

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** rainyday <c\_griz@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** June 4, 2020 at 8:33:27 PM AKDT  
**To:** "Blankenship, Johni" <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>For Assembly members

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Sincerely,  
Carol Griswold  
Seward

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**From:** Gail Knobf <gailknobf2@gmail.com>  
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**To:** BoroughAssembly <Borough-Assembly@kpb.us>  
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**Broyles, Randi**

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**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 8:25 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Voting by mail

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**From:** Maria Allison [mailto:malaalaska1764@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 05, 2020 6:38 AM  
**To:** BoroughAssembly <Borough-Assembly@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Voting by mail

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Dear Kenai Pen Borough Assembly members, We support voting by mail particularly during this time of social distancing. Please consider the value of this for those of us who are in the elderly category and want to vote but are very hesitant to go out in public and mix socially. Thank you, Sincerely, Maria and Thomas Allison

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 8:27 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Support for Ordinance 2020-24, vote by mail hybrid system

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**From:** Donna Aderhold [mailto:donnagrace99@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 10:46 PM  
**To:** BoroughAssembly <Borough-Assembly@kpb.us>  
**Cc:** G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk <G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk@kpb.us>  
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Dear Borough Assembly Members,

Thank you for your thoughtful discussion regarding Ordinance 2020-24 to transition the KPB to a vote by mail hybrid system. In some respects, your discussion mirrored the conversations held during the Election Stakeholders Group meetings as we vetted the pros and cons of moving to a vote by mail hybrid system. I appreciate Mr. Carpenter's concerns and interest in bringing the ordinance back for reconsideration. While I encourage you to not reconsider the ordinance, Mr. Carpenter has provided an opportunity to address some of the points raised during public testimony and assembly discussion.

Mr. Carpenter noted in his comments that the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL) provides a brief introduction to vote by mail systems, presenting 3 pros and 5 cons. I appreciate Mr. Carpenter seeking valuable nonpartisan sources on the vote by mail issue. Below are the pros and cons presented by NCSL:

### **Possible Advantages**

- Voter convenience and satisfaction—Citizens can vote at home and take all the time they need to study the issues. Voters often express enthusiasm for all-mail elections.
- Financial savings—Jurisdictions may save money because they no longer need to staff traditional polling places with poll workers and equip each polling place with voting machines. A 2016 study of Colorado from the Pew Charitable Trusts found that costs decreased an average of 40 percent in five election administration categories across 46 of Colorado's 64 counties (those with available cost data). However, the study examines a number of reforms that Colorado enacted in 2013, with all-mail elections being the most significant. Others included instituting same day registration and shortening the time length for residency in the state for voting purposes.



- Turnout—Some reports indicate that because of convenience, voter turnout increases. These reports assert that turnout increases by single digits for presidential elections and more in smaller elections. See this [2013 report on all-mail ballot elections in Washington](#) and this [2018 report on all-mail ballot elections in Utah](#). Effects on turnout can be more pronounced for low propensity voters, those that are registered but do not vote as frequently.

## **Possible Disadvantages**

- Tradition—The civic experience of voting with neighbors at a local school, church, or other polling place no longer exists.
- Disparate effect on some populations—Mail delivery is not uniform across the nation. Native Americans on reservations may in particular have difficulty with all-mail elections. Many do not have street addresses, and their P.O. boxes may be shared. Literacy can be an issue for some voters, as well. Election materials are often written at a college level. (Literacy can be a problem for voters at traditional polling place locations too.) One way to mitigate this is to examine how voter centers are distributed throughout counties to best serve the population.
- Security—During all-mail elections (and absentee voting), coercion by family members or others might occur.
- Financial considerations—All-mail elections greatly increase printing costs for an election. Additionally, jurisdictions must have appropriate equipment to read paper ballots at a central location, and changing from electronic equipment to equipment that can scan paper ballots can be expensive.
- Slow vote counting—All-mail elections may slow down the vote counting process, especially if a state's policy is to allow ballots postmarked by Election Day to be received and counted in the days and weeks after the election.

Please note the financial savings/considerations appear in both the advantages and disadvantages categories. The Election Stakeholder Group discussed financial considerations at length and I urge you to review the group's report to the assembly. One thing to consider is that the borough's election equipment is aging and needs to be replaced, so the timing is good to invest in vote by mail infrastructure.

NCSL raises important issues to consider and account for in planning a vote by mail system; however, there are no show-stoppers in the "possible disadvantages" category. The tradition of in-person voting is strong on the Kenai Peninsula, to the point that some communities have celebrations such as potlucks, and with the borough's plan for a hybrid system individuals who want to will still have the opportunity to vote in person on election day. The issues labeled disparate effects on some populations and security are very important issues to resolve. Note that communities in the borough that are predominantly Alaska Native populations—Tyonek, Port Graham, and Nanwalek—already participate in the vote by mail system as their remote locations make this system advantageous. Also note that the primary reason for forming the Election Stakeholders Group and evaluating a vote by mail hybrid system was to provide reasonable accommodation to voters with disabilities. Security, which in the context of the NCSL list is related to coercion of family members or others, is a serious issue (and a societal issue we must address well beyond the single topic of voting). However, coercion can occur with absentee voting (as noted in NCSL's list) and can be alleviated by having

voting centers available, allowing someone under the influence of a family member to vote alone when they have opportunity during the election period.

I'd like to call attention to what the list does not include: voter fraud. The potential for voter fraud in a vote by mail system was the main point of opposition raised during public testimony. Voter fraud is something we should all be concerned about, regardless of the method of voting, and there are no data to demonstrate that a vote by mail system is inherently more prone to voter fraud than our traditional system. Election integrity and the potential for voter fraud was a central theme of Election Stakeholder Group meetings. I came away confident that the borough clerks know what they are doing when it comes to elections and, for clerks, integrity is among the most important aspects of conducting elections. Fraud can take a number of different forms, electronic hacking of voting machines from outside actors and intentionally manipulating individual ballots covering the bulk of the issues. The system proposed for the borough would include voting equipment that is not connected to any network and that requires an electronic key to access, greatly reducing the possibility that the borough voting system would be hacked by outside actors. The system includes paper ballots, another important feature. The proposed system also has safeguards to protect against an individual intentionally (or unintentionally) voting twice or voting for someone else. The signature verification process is a powerful tool in the vote by mail hybrid system. I encourage you to talk to your clerks about the system and how it would work.

Another point raised in public testimony for Ordinance 2020-24 was the U.S. Postal Service, specifically the potential for delivery delays and lost mail. Alleviation of delivery delays is a planning issue for the clerks—when to mail voting materials and ballots to KPB voters so they receive the information well in advance of election day and what date to require as a postmark for returned ballots. The potential for lost mail is low, it happens but it is rare, and is remedied by the flexibility of the vote by mail hybrid system itself. Individuals may vote in person at a voting center or they can drop their ballot in one of the drop boxes that would be placed around the borough. U.S. Postal Service representatives presented to the Election Stakeholder Group and I specifically asked if they had the capacity to handle the volume of ballots. They do.

Thank you again for your thoughtful consideration of this ordinance and for your concern about the integrity of our election process, a pillar of our democracy. After consideration of the issue between your assembly meetings, I encourage you to vote against reconsideration.

Take care, stay healthy, and please wear a mask,

Donna Aderhold

Homer



**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 8:27 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>make voting more accessible

**From:** pamelah@pobox.alaska.net [mailto:pamelah@pobox.alaska.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 9:41 PM  
**To:** BoroughAssembly <Borough-Assembly@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>make voting more accessible

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Dear Assembly Members,  
I am writing again to ask you to make voting more accessible to all by allowing vote by mail.  
Thank you,  
Pamela A. Hays

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Pamela A. Hays, Ph.D.  
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**Broyles, Randi**

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**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 8:28 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER> For Assembly members

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**Sent:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 8:33 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
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**Sent:** Friday, June 5, 2020 8:32 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
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**From:** Gail Knobf [mailto:gailknobf2@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 5:21 PM  
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907-262-6635

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:36 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: New Public Comment to Assembly Members

**From:** Kenai Peninsula Borough [mailto:webmaster@borough.kenai.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 05, 2020 6:34 PM  
**To:** BoroughAssembly <Borough-Assembly@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** New Public Comment to Assembly Members

**Your Name:** Christine Hutchison

**Your Email:** [designone@gei.net](mailto:designone@gei.net)

**Subject:** KPB 2020-24

**Message:**

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Inconvenience, neither snow nor sleet, nor overreach of the government should stand in the way of each of us voting at the poll as we have always done.

My plea is for a rejection of KPB 2020-24

Christine Hutchison

[designone@gci.net](mailto:designone@gci.net)

9072527442



**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:35 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Vote by mail

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**From:** yvonne pierce [mailto:yvonnepierce30@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 06, 2020 7:10 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
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Sent from my iPhone  
Vonnie Pierce

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**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Mail in voting KPB 2020-24

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**From:** Barbara Blakeley [mailto:barbblakeley@outlook.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 06, 2020 11:02 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Mail in voting KPB 2020-24

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**Good Morning Johni:**

I recently read the following letter that Christine Hutchison sent to our assembly members. I would like you to pass along to the entire assembly that I am in total agreement with her letter, as well as the following comments:

I have always considered it my civic duty to vote. Unfortunately, I was not always an informed voter. I voted for the name I knew or for the nice guy.

I believe that people who are informed will come to the polls to cast their ballots and make their decisions known. Those who don't really care or are uninformed will stay home. We may have more voters by mail but is more always better?

Please put this issue on the ballot and have informed voters make the decision.

Thanks.  
Barb Blakeley

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**From:** JUANITA ROSS [mailto:juanita99669@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 06, 2020 11:12 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Cc:** Hibbert, Brent <bhibbert@kpb.us>  
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For the disabled and others who cannot vote in person, we already have absentee ballots as well as early voting. The increased cost for vote by mail is an expenditure we as tax payers cannot afford. This is a time to be frugal and not coming up with unnecessary expenses in this time of financial uncertainty.

**Please reject KP 2020-24!**

Juanita Ross  
907-398-8578

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:35 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Ordinance 20-24

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**From:** Angie Newby [mailto:angienewby1@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 06, 2020 5:24 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Ordinance 20-24

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Johni, please let the Assembly members know that I am in favor of this Ordinance however I support having the effective date as the August, 2020 primary.

This year is so important because of the unknown statistics of COVID 19 cases as the summer advances.

Please reconsider an earlier start date.

Angie Newby, CRS CCIM  
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Proceed as if success is inevitable

"Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry and narrow mindedness" Mark Twain  
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Julia A Karpik  
394 W London Rose Circle  
Soldotna AK

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**Broyles, Randi**

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**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:35 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>No on KPB 2020-24

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**From:** me\_joellen [mailto:me\_joellen@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 07, 2020 10:04 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
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I oppose KPB 2020-24. My concerns are related to fraud, cost, waste of materials, expense of management, expense of likely lawsuits, unforeseen issues arising from using a new system in a hurry and without proper training of all parties using it.

Our current system allows an Avenue for everyone who wants to vote to do so. This is not necessary and potentially dangerous. Please vote against KPB 2020-24.

Gina Bogart  
36875 Bjerke St  
Kenai AK  
99611  
907-398-4489

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:34 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>KPB 2020-24

**From:** Chamberlain [mailto:jschamberlain@alaska.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 07, 2020 11:00 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>KPB 2020-24

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continually destruction of the monuments to the memories we hold dear;  
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My plea is for a rejection of KPB 2020-24

Steven W. Chamberlain

PO Box 8186  
Nikiski, Alaska  
99635

(907) 776-5540



**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:34 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>2020-24, NO to vote by mail

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**From:** judyqueen@gci.net [mailto:judyqueen@gci.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 07, 2020 1:52 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>2020-24, NO to vote by mail

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Please include me in the folks who OPPOSE voting by mail. I think our current system is working well, and I don't believe anyone is disenfranchised by our voting system.

As an election worker, I see that all bases are covered. There is already early voting accepted ahead of the election date, absentee voting, and disabled persons who cannot present in person can still vote, even on the day of election, by having their representative physically take a ballot to their location and return by close of the polls. Those who are not registered to vote in any precinct can still vote by questioned ballot in any precinct, and election results are available at the end of the voting day. In a close race, the results are dependent upon the questioned ballots and votes already mailed in. I believe that the extra scrutiny of eligibility to vote produces a true and accurate vote, which is not as assured by voting by mail. I have also noted that many parents bring their children in as an education experience to see the American process of election, and many show a great deal of pride and assurance their voice has been heard.

Granted, election workers receive a small stipend to work on election day; but I can't see that the costs associated with that outweigh the costs associated with voting by mail; and the element of true and accurate eligibility to vote is certainly diminished. On many occasions, I see a verified person come in to vote and, upon signing the register and seeing similar names near their signature line, state that the relative or other known person has either moved away, died, or is otherwise not eligible to vote. If you send out packets to vote by mail according to the register, you'd be sending to ineligible voters; and the costs associated with that would be cumbersome and open to abuse.

Please convey this to the Borough Assembly for me.

Sincerely,  
Judith Queen  
115 Henrich Circle  
Soldotna, Alaska 99669  
907-398-7310

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:34 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Ordinance 2020-24

**From:** bmccard@alaska.net [mailto:bmccard@alaska.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 07, 2020 3:05 PM  
**To:** BoroughAssembly <Borough-Assembly@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Ordinance 2020-24

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June 7, 2020

Dear Assembly Members:

I strongly support Ordinance 2020-24.

With the Coronavirus Pandemic taking place, this Ordinance should be implemented in this year's upcoming elections.

I believe that eligible voters should have the opportunity to vote whether in person or via mail in voting.

Many individuals have died in various wars fighting for our democracy and our right to vote.

If a goal of the Assembly is to get as many people to vote as possible, then Ordinance 2020-24 needs to be passed especially for individuals who are unable to make it to the voting booth because of a disability, limited finances, or work schedule.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email and your public service.

Sincerely,

Bob McCard  
235 Stacy Drive  
Soldotna, AK, 99669

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:34 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Letter to the KPB Assembly re: KPB 2020-24

**From:** Michele Hartline [mailto:hartlines@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 07, 2020 6:12 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Letter to the KPB Assembly re: KPB 2020-24

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As Johni Blankenship affirmed the last time the Assembly brought up this issue, there is an **increase in costs for vote by mail** and it is well established and documented from the comparison documents provided.

Where will the current trend to **destroy all the trappings of our traditional patriotic attitude for this country end?** The destruction of the home of the brave and the land of the free. The destruction of the monuments to the memories we hold dear. The erosion of traditional practices like asking God's help in making decisions and gathering for religious services. Will the Pledge of Allegiance be next?

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**Neither inconvenience, fear, snow, sleet, nor overreach of the government** should ever stand in the way of each of us voting at the poll as we have always done.

Please reject KPB 2020-24.

Michele Hartline  
[hartlines@hotmail.com](mailto:hartlines@hotmail.com)

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 8:34 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Oppose KPB 2020-24

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**From:** Ed Granger [mailto:goscooter33@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 07, 2020 11:11 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Oppose KPB 2020-24

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Hello Johni:

Please insure my opposition is registered against the proposed KPB assembly sponsored legislation 2020-24.

Because of the resultant impact from adoption of this measure is so profound it must rightfully ratified by the voters .... and not be passed by the assembly alone.

If this measure is to be adopted all KPB voters must be given the opportunity to vote on this controversial change.

Voter fraud is just one impact we can look forward to if the assembly changes how we vote. It holds the possibility of making drastic changes to how measures are considered.

There is nothing wrong with absentee voting. It works well and is convenient,

Your effort to oppose legislation 2020-24 is respectfully requested.

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Eddie M. Granger  
36360 Glacier Ave  
Sterling, AK 99672



**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 8:53 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Reconsidering vote by mail

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**From:** Gail Knobf [mailto:gailknobf2@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2020 9:35 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Reconsidering vote by mail

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Assembly Members,

No reconsidering is necessary. The Borough must have vote by mail in order for all citizens to exercise their patriotic duty to vote.

Don't let the people of the Kenai Peninsula down.

We must have vote by mail!

Gail Knobf  
23300 Kasilof River Rd  
Kasilof, AK 99610

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 8:53 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Ordinance 2020-24

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Cassie Lawver [mailto:caslawver@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2020 11:32 PM  
**To:** Hibbert, Brent <bhibbert@kpb.us>; Smalley, Hal <HSmalley@kpb.us>; Bjorkman, Jesse <JBjorkman@kpb.us>; Cox, Tyson <tysoncox@kpb.us>; Blakeley, Norm <NBlakeley@kpb.us>; Carpenter, Kenn <KCarpenter@kpb.us>; Johnson, Brent <bjohnson@kpb.us>; Cooper, Kelly <kellycooper@kpb.us>; Dunne, Willy <WDunne@kpb.us>; G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk <G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk@kpb.us>; Pierce, Charlie <CPierce@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Ordinance 2020-24

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Assembly Members,

Please vote to reconsider Ordinance 2020-24, vote by mail, and put it to a vote by the voters. Anytime an elected body does not want to take it to the voters, you have to ask yourself, are they really listening to the voters, or do they have an agenda that they know the voters will not support."

Put this to the voters. Its too controversial not too.

Thank you,  
Cassie Lawver

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 8:54 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER> Mail-in Voting

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**From:** Deanna Chesser [mailto:rddcr@acsalaska.net]

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 6:14 AM

**To:** Hibbert, Brent <bhibbert@kpb.us>; Smalley, Hal <HSmalley@kpb.us>; Bjorkman, Jesse <JBjorkman@kpb.us>; Cox, Tyson <tysoncox@kpb.us>; Blakeley, Norm <NBlakeley@kpb.us>; Carpenter, Kenn <KCarpenter@kpb.us>; Johnson, Brent <bjohnson@kpb.us>; Cooper, Kelly <kellycooper@kpb.us>; Dunne, Willy <WDunne@kpb.us>; G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk <G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk@kpb.us>; Pierce, Charlie <CPierce@kpb.us>  
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Members of the Kenai Borough Assembly:

Please vote to reconsider Ordinance 2020-24, 'Vote by Mail', and see that it is placed on a ballot to be voted upon by ALL qualified voters in the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

Voting by mail is full of holes, opportunities for fraud, and vote tampering. We've seen it over and over in other places.

Please put this to a vote of the people. If it's such a good thing, then it will pass. But the consequences are too great to shove this on the voters without their consent.

Thank you,

Deanna Chesser

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 8:54 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER> Reconsider Ordinance 2020-24

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Ralph Crane [mailto:kummok@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 7:04 AM  
**To:** Hibbert, Brent <bhibbert@kpb.us>; Smalley, Hal <HSmalley@kpb.us>; Bjorkman, Jesse <JBjorkman@kpb.us>; Cox, Tyson <tysoncox@kpb.us>; Blakeley, Norm <NBlakeley@kpb.us>; Carpenter, Kenn <KCarpenter@kpb.us>; Johnson, Brent <bjohnson@kpb.us>; Cooper, Kelly <kellycooper@kpb.us>; Dunne, Willy <WDunne@kpb.us>; G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk <G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk@kpb.us>; Pierce, Charlie <CPierce@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER> Reconsider Ordinance 2020-24

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Members of the Kenai Borough Assembly:

Please vote to reconsider Ordinance 2020-24, 'Vote by Mail', and see that it is placed on a ballot to be voted upon by ALL qualified voters in the Kenai Borough.

One is left to question the motive for, as well as the anticipated result of bypassing voters on ANY Borough action that would alter or completely change the voting process that has been the rule for generations of voters. Borough Assembly members are elected to represent us, not to circumvent us.

While I understand that any honest effort to "get out the vote" is to be commended as such, this current vote-by-mail effort is too fraught with actual and predictable opportunity for fraudulent use to tell voters, "Relax, we will handle this for you". If vote-by-mail is that good for voters, it should be easily marketed on its own merit to voters, NOT thrust upon us by a handful of voter-elected Representatives, well-intended or otherwise.

Let the voters decide this one!

Respectfully,

Ralph E Crane,  
2nd of four generations of Kenai Borough Residents Homer, Alaska

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 8:55 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER> Ordinance 2020-24

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Billy Jones [mailto:billandsteph@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 8:26 AM  
**To:** Hibbert, Brent <bhibbert@kpb.us>; Smalley, Hal <HSmalley@kpb.us>; Bjorkman, Jesse <JBjorkman@kpb.us>; Cox, Tyson <tysoncox@kpb.us>; Blakeley, Norm <NBlakeley@kpb.us>; Carpenter, Kenn <KCarpenter@kpb.us>; Johnson, Brent <bjohnson@kpb.us>; Cooper, Kelly <kellycooper@kpb.us>; Dunne, Willy <WDunne@kpb.us>; G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk <G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk@kpb.us>; Pierce, Charlie <CPierce@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER> Ordinance 2020-24

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Assembly Members,

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Its too controversial not too.

Thank you,  
Billy Jones

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:36 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: New Public Comment to Assembly Members

**From:** Kenai Peninsula Borough [mailto:webmaster@borough.kenai.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 10, 2020 8:11 AM  
**To:** BoroughAssembly <Borough-Assembly@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** New Public Comment to Assembly Members

**Your Name:** Dan Green

**Your Email:** [Gands1@alaska.net](mailto:Gands1@alaska.net)

**Subject:** Voting by mail.

**Message:**

I understand you will reconsider the vote by mail issue whether to allow a public vote on this action. I certainly think a vote is appropriate and reasonable and I would encourage you to support a public vote on this matter. This is an important issue and a significant shift in voting procedures therefore a public vote is certainly appropriate.



**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 9, 2020 9:22 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Voting by mail, opposition

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**From:** Randy Daly [mailto:randy@hispeedgear.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 2020 8:31 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Voting by mail, opposition

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Kenai Peninsula Borough  
Care of Johni Blnkenshi  
Borough Clerk

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There is increased cost for vote by mail and the borough with its declining revenue from both oil and sales tax is in no position to increase expenses.

This is not the time with so much social and political upheaval to "try" something new. We need a proven and accountable process, not something we are going to figure out as we go along. The Kenai Peninsula Borough needs to provide stability at this time not pandering.

Please reject KPB 2020-24

All the best,

Thomas R. Daly  
108 Deepwood court  
Kenai, Alaska  
99611  
907.394.1748  
[Yourcarguy907@gmail.com](mailto:Yourcarguy907@gmail.com)

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 4:00 PM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>mail in voting KPB 2020-24

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**From:** Kay Brown [mailto:kayalaska@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2020 4:00 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Cc:** kayalaska@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>mail in voting KPB 2020-24

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*type your name here*

Sent from my iPhone:

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*Kay Brown*

[kayalaska@yahoo.com](mailto:kayalaska@yahoo.com)

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 3:04 PM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>mail-in voting KPB 2020-24

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**From:** Joan Corr [mailto:corrjoan@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2020 12:52 PM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>mail-in voting KPB 2020-24

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Assembly members: I stand in opposition to KPB 2020-24.

I feel there are too many possibilities of fraud of vote counting. We already have absentee ballots and early voting at the borough. Does voting mean so little now that we can't make an effort to make one more stop on our trip to town?

We've seen enough voting fraud in this country with 120% of the people voting in a county and dead people voting, and the list goes on. Whenever anyone wants to clean up the voting list or showing ID or other ways to prevent voter fraud, certain groups and one particular political party, are up in arms and block every effort.

Some families go to the polls together as a patriotic, family outing. It instills togetherness as a family and honor and pride for our country, and whatever other reasons they do it.

There are more reasons and emotions I could go on about, but I ask you to vote against KPB 2020-24.

Sincerely,  
Joan Corr



02020-24

**June 12, 2020**

**Dear Assembly members**

**Because of the obvious opportunity for fraud, my vote is "NO" to Vote by Mail for the citizens of the Kenai Peninsula Borough.**

**As a resident of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, I respectfully request a rejection of KPB 2020-24.**

**William H. Stevens**

**P.O. Box 8596 Nikiski, Alaska 99635**

02020-24

Dear Assembly members,

June 12, 2020

I stand in opposition to KPB 2020-24/Vote by Mail for the following reasons:

In view of the small number of votes often establishing a winner and loser, vote by mail (VBM) leaves **too much possibility/probability of fraud** of the vote count. Examples can be seen in senior centers, apartment buildings and mail sorting/discarding tables at USPS locations where unclaimed ballots remain discarded along with general unwanted circulars. With recent issues in Anchorage of vote by mail fraud, my vote is "NO" to Vote by Mail for the citizens of the Kenai Peninsula Borough. To much supporting evidence of fraud in locations who implement vote by mail.

Voter turnout sounds like a grand claim by supporters of Vote By Mail; however, it can only be done effectively by face to face encouragement with other voters. Whatever increase is gained appears to simply be a result of the novelty of vote by mail and is soon gone along with the ballots...Not to mention the addition of voter turnout votes by those long deceased.

A vote by mail method is already set in place with the Absentee Ballot.

**Voter confidentiality and safety (not being influenced or coerced to vote a certain way by others) is of utmost importance for voter participation. The oversight of the current systems set in place for safe and private voting at polling stations is of utmost importance for integrity of the voting process.**

There is **increased cost for vote by mail** and it is well established and documented in the Kenai Peninsula Borough Vote By Mail Feasibility Study.

I support all efforts made toward providing ADA approved accessible voting equipment while maintaining the integrity of our local election process via local secret ballot box located in the traditional community voting/poll stations.

**I respectfully request a rejection of KPB 2020-24.**

*Stacy A. Oliva  
Mile 30.5 Kenai Spur Hwy  
Nikiski, Alaska Resident*

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2020 9:08 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>KPB 2020-24 Voting by Mail

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**From:** Sue Tauriainen [mailto:sctauriainen@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 14, 2020 6:45 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>; jborkman@kpb.us  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>KPB 2020-24 Voting by Mail

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Assembly members: We stand in opposition to KPB 2020-24 for the following reasons:

1. We already have a method to vote by mail through the "ABSENTEE BALLOT" option for the disabled or voters who are out of town.
2. In view of the small number of votes often establishing a winner and loser, vote by mail (VBM) leaves **too much possibility of fraud** of the vote count.
3. **Voter turnout sounds like a grand claim** for VBM; however, it can only be done effectively by face to face encouragement with other voters and those running for office.
4. This country needs, more than ever, the **practices and traditions that have contributed to making this country** what it is, prayer; repentant and loyal attitudes; and the physical reminder of who we are as a people. That physical reminder includes going to the poll and seeing and meeting with neighbors continues that time honored practice.

**Neither inconvenience, nor overreach of the government** should stand in the way of each of us voting at the poll as we have always done.

Our plea is for a rejection of KPB 2020-24.

Sincerely,  
Ray & Sue Tauriainen  
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(907) 776-8885  
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[rtauri@gci.net](mailto:rtauri@gci.net)

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2020 4:36 PM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Re: Ordinance 2020-24 for mail-in voting

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**From:** Cathleen Rolph [mailto:cathleenrolph@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2020 12:14 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Re: Ordinance 2020-24 for mail-in voting

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I strongly support ordinance 2020-24 for mail-in voting.

If you care about the health and safety of our poll workers and the voters of our peninsula, do not reconsider the ordinance. Even if you don't care about our health, at least remember what the United States stands for: Democracy! It is the right and civic duty of every citizen to vote. If voting is made more difficult and some cannot get to the polls for any reason, whoever wins an election cannot really say that the majority supports his or her policies.

Thank you,

Cathleen Rolph  
41931 E. Redoubt Avenue  
907-262-4561

**Broyles, Randi**

02020-24

**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 11:40 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Hi Johni-letter to assembly regarding not to vote in favor of reconsideration

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**From:** bubba@horizonsatellite.com [mailto:bubba@horizonsatellite.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 11:31 AM  
**To:** Blankenship, Johni <JBlankenship@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Hi Johni-letter to assembly regarding not to vote in favor of reconsideration

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Thanks for getting this to the assembly-again I appreciate all you are doing.

Vote no on reconsideration on 2020-24

Voting by mail saves lives. Have things gotten so bad that we would consider exposing someone, much less an elder, to the risk of Covid-19 at the polling places just so everyone can vote in person?

I realize that currently we are looking for poll workers for the October election. Just the idea of asking the regular election workers to man the polling places is shameful. They should not be put in a position of having to either accept or turn down the position. All these older folks have a strong civic sense, and they feel that voting is an essential part of democracy. Some will feel that they must do their duty-regardless of the cost.

We have a method to save lives, have a fair election, and make a strong statement that your lives matter—mail in voting! There will still be places to vote in person, just not as many. I am asking that the reconsideration not be heard. The Borough has done their due diligence. Looking at the past 4 elections the voter turn-out on the Kenai was 2016-22%, 2017-34% 2018-19% and in 2019-18%, so if this goes to a vote, only a small percentage of the public will weigh in. Also these voters might not be as well informed of how safe and secure mail-in voting is. I keep hearing arguments that mail-in voting leads to fraud, but the current research shows that is far from the truth.

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I just saw that Kaladi Brother's in Soldotna closed the other day and the owner, Tim Grove, closed it down because someone in the café tested positive for Covid.

He said, "We don't want to expose anyone to anything," We just want to make sure everybody's safe before we reopen."

This issue should move on. Please vote no on the reconsideration and pass Ordinance 2020-24 for mail in voting.

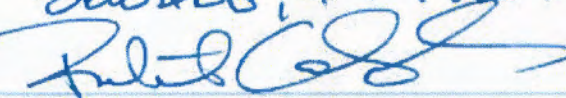


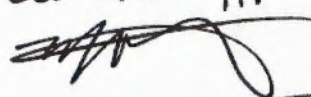
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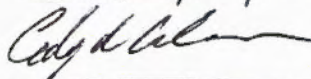
An Ordinance Amending KPB Title 4 Regarding Borough Elections to Provide for Vote by Mail Elections, for More Time between a Regular Election and a Run-Off Election, and to Remove Proposition Statements (Cox, Dunne, Hibbert, Smalley)

Would you vote for

Would you vote against

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Cody Gilmore  
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James E. Gilmore  
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Would you vote for

Would you vote against

Bart Elhard  
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Would you vote for

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Would you vote for

Would you vote against

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**From:** Blankenship, Johni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 3:25 PM  
**To:** Broyles, Randi  
**Subject:** FW: <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Vote by mail & 2nd Amendment Sanctuary

**From:** Dave Peck [mailto:dlp1951@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 3:24 PM  
**To:** G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk <G\_Notify\_AssemblyClerk@kpb.us>; Smalley, Hal <HSmalley@kpb.us>  
**Subject:** <EXTERNAL-SENDER>Vote by mail & 2nd Amendment Sanctuary

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I live in Kenai and I'd like to state for tonight's session I support the reconsideration of putting the issue of vote by mail on the ballot. Methods of voting are base/core issues which the voters should decide. Many things can be left to the Assembly to decide. But some things are so basic to our Republic the voters should have the final choice.

I also strongly support the Assembly adopting the resolution that our borough become a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary.

Thank you  
Dave Peck  
705 Sycamore St  
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