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Ordinance 2020-25

Robert & Jill Shimko

Location:

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We strongly oppose this agenda of those who continue to want to take away our rights of use in this area. Those in charge at this time need to be commended on their diligence and honest work they are performing. It's not that they are "good enough" - they are working for us, the public to establish use of the land we live in. Those who continually try and stifle any and all involvement in this creation of the Lord for us is unfounded. I will pray for them as they must be so full of fear. Again - people open your minds and hearts to righteousness and freedom instead of this socialistic strangle hold you want to put on this people of the United States of America.

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Shimko

Ron Keffer

Location:

Submitted At: 3:13pm 06-15-20

Hello, Assembly Members!

I am writing today to urge you to pass Ordinance 2020-25, which would establish the Resilience and Security Advisory Commission for the borough. This measure would address, in one fell swoop, several issues that have been major concerns for me, and for many others, for years.

The Kenai Peninsula has seen a great deal of change over the last few decades. Because these changes have happened over a period of years, rather than, say, days, they often are overlooked or dismissed. Nonetheless, what is going on around us is going to challenge all of us, and borough governance, in several critical areas.

For me personally, the change in our climate has been apparent. I know how gardening has changed since my wife and I first moved to Homer. Now we can plant much earlier, but we also must irrigate to a greater degree. I also have seen how fire has threatened Homer and the peninsula as a whole much more in the last decade than in the first decade of this century. These changes go right at our water supplies, our safety from wild fires, and our ability to grow food. Of course, Alaskans are accustomed to getting most of our food from the grocery store, but the more we can grow here, the more secure our lives become.

The changes I have mentioned are hitting us rapidly, and we have to be nimble, adaptable, and able to make rapid moves to preserve our quality of life. The Resilience and Security Advisory Commission can harness the intellectual power of all peninsula residents in addressing the questions of how we'll deal with essential questions related both to survival in a changing world and to quality of life.

It seems clear to me, too, that if we adapt well, jobs will be created. More food grown here, more food packaged and transported, more ideas for successful businesses, even new ways of dealing with our wastes — all this suggests new employment. And that doesn't even include mitigation that might preserve our water supplies, reduce fire dangers, and help move us toward alternative energy sources.

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A last element that strongly recommends your adoption of Ordinance 2020-25 is that it increases involvement of all peninsula citizens in the borough's democratic processes. The more minds that are working on these existential issues, the better!

Please vote yes on 2020-25!

Ron Keffer
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Karen Murdock

Location:

Submitted At: 2:21pm 06-15-20

Dear Assembly Members,

I would urge you to support our Borough by establishing the Resilience and Security Advisory Commission. This commission will work with other public agencies that manage the resources of the Kenai Peninsula Borough and make sure that our Borough has a voice. Climate change effects have already had a severe effect on the Borough, as evidenced by the water shortage in communities across Kachemak Bay, the Swan Lake Fire and effects on the salmon fishery. The Resilience and Security Commission will look for ways to protect our beloved Kenai Peninsula Borough and help plan to protect our resources. We need to be active participants for the future of our Borough. This commission will do so.

Thank you!

Karen Murdock
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Sammy Crawford

Location:

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This is a wonderful way to include public supporters of the borough.