Introduced by:	Bjorkman, Elam, Derkevorkian, Mayor
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Action:	Adopted
Vote:	9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2021-032

## A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY THAT THE BOROUGH WILL CONDUCT A PRE-ELECTION SECURITY RISK AND VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOP A SECURITY DESIGN FOR ANY ELECTION SYSTEM USED TO ADMINISTER BOROUGH ELECTIONS

- **WHEREAS,** the peoples' confidence in the integrity of election results is reliant on their confidence in the security of the election equipment, election workers, and infrastructure that make elections possible; and
- WHEREAS, free and fair elections play a vital and integral role in a democratic society; and
- **WHEREAS**, all election equipment must be independently validated as secure and accountable in order to prove its reliability; and
- **WHEREAS,** a policy providing for a pre-election security risk and vulnerability assessment of the borough's election infrastructure, a security design, where needed, and a post-implementation audit of any new election system, equipment or software used by the borough to administer elections is in the best interests of the borough;

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

- **SECTION 1.** To the extent authorized by law and within available resources, a policy is hereby adopted that the borough, with the assistance of an independent third party cybersecurity professional, will conduct a security risk and vulnerability assessment, and develop a security design for the election system used to administer borough elections.
- **SECTION 2.** That, within available resources, the borough will conduct an election security risk and vulnerability assessment, carried out by a provider of cybersecurity services, prior to the October 2021 borough election.
- **SECTION 3.** That, within available resources, a security design, developed by a provider of cybersecurity services in coordination with the borough's information technology department, will be in place prior to the October 2021 borough election.

**SECTION 4.** That, within available resources, a security audit, performed by a provider of cybersecurity services in coordination with the borough's information technology department, will be performed immediately after the initial implementation of any election system used to administer borough elections.

**SECTION 5.** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021.

ATTEST:

Jonni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Brent Hibbert, Assembly President



Yes:

None

Bjorkman, Carpenter, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Dunne, Elam, Johnson, Hibbert

No:

Absent: None