

### Kenai Peninsula Borough

144 North Binkley Street Soldotna, AK 99669

# Meeting Agenda Planning Commission

Monday, April 22, 2024 7:30 PM

Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers

Zoom Meeting ID: 907 714 2200

The hearing procedure for the Planning Commission public hearings are as follows:

- 1) Staff will present a report on the item.
- 2) The Chair will ask for petitioner's presentation given by Petitioner(s) / Applicant (s) or their representative 10 minutes
- 3) Public testimony on the issue. 5 minutes per person
- 4) After testimony is completed, the Planning Commission may follow with questions. A person may only testify once on an issue unless questioned by the Planning Commission.
- 5) Staff may respond to any testimony given and the Commission may ask staff questions.
- 6) Rebuttal by the Petitioner(s) / Applicant(s) to rebut evidence or provide clarification but should not present new testimony or evidence.
- 7) The Chair closes the hearing and no further public comment will be heard.
- 8) The Chair entertains a motion and the Commission deliberates and makes a decision.

All those wishing to testify must wait for recognition by the Chair. Each person that testifies must write his or her name and mailing address on the sign-in sheet located by the microphone provided for public comment. They must begin by stating their name and address for the record at the microphone. All questions will be directed to the Chair. Testimony must be kept to the subject at hand and shall not deal with personalities. Decorum must be maintained at all times and all testifiers shall be treated with respect.

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

#### **B. ROLL CALL**

#### C. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

All items marked with an asterisk (\*) are consent agenda items. Consent agenda items are considered routine and non-controversial by the Planning Commission and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of consent agenda items unless a Planning Commissioner so requests in which case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the regular agenda.

If you wish to comment on a consent agenda item or a regular agenda item other than a public hearing, please advise the recording secretary before the meeting begins, and she will inform the Chairman of your wish to comment.

- 1. Time Extension Request None
- 2. Planning Commission Resolutions None
- 3. Plats Granted Administrative Approval

KPB-5935

- a. Broken Axle No. 2; KPB File 2023-124
- b. Bunnell's Subdivision 2023 Replat; KPB File 2023-047
- c. C & C Bear Subdivision 2023 Replat: KPB File 2023-133
- d. Grewingk Glacier Vista; KPB File 2023-095
- e. Pacific Park Subdivision Blauvelt Addition; KPB File 2023-088
- f. Reutov Subdivision; KPB File 2023-065
- g. Shipley Subdivision; KPB File 2023-070
- h. South Bend Bluff Estates 2023 Replat; KPB File 2023-112
- i. Terra Bella Subdivision; KPB File 2022-024
- j. W.R. Bell Subdivision 2023 Addition; KPB File 2023-087
- k. Waterman Spring Replat 2023; KPB File 2023-039

Attachments:

C3. Admin Approvals

- 4. Plats Granted Final Approval (KPB 20.10.040) None
- 5. Plat Amendment Request None
- 6. Commissioner Excused Absences None
- 7. Minutes

<u>KPB-5936</u> March 25, 2024 PC Meeting Minutes

Attachments: C7. 032524 PC Minutes

- D. OLD BUSINESS
- E. NEW BUSINESS

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1. KPB-5937 Utility Easement Vacation: KPB File 2024-021V

Johnson Surveying / Steinbeck

Request: Vacates a portion of the 25' utility easement on the western

side of Tract B, Harlie A Fellers Subdivision, KN 78-31

Kasilof Area

Attachments: E1. UEV Harlie A. Fellers Sub\_Packet

KPB-5938 Utility Easement Vacation; KPB File 2023-037V

Johnson Surveying / Kasilof Community Church

Request: Vacates a 10' wide utility easement beginning at the southwest corner of Pollard Tract A thence running northeasterly & stopping at a utility easement near the eastern line. Vacates a 10' utility easement lying between the C1/4 corner & the overhead powerline easement & vacates the westerly utility easement of Parcel A-G Kasilof

Community Church, KN 97-80

Kasilof Area

Attachments: E2. UEV Parcel A-G Kasilof Community Church Packet

#### F. PLAT COMMITTEE REPORT

#### G. OTHER

#### H. PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATION

(Items other than those appearing on the agenda or scheduled for public hearing. Limited to five minutes per speaker unless previous arrangements are made)

#### I. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

#### J. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

#### K. ADJOURNMENT

## MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS NO ACTION REQUIRED

#### NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting will be held Monday, May 13, 2024 in the Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers of the Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building, 144

North Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska at 7:30 p.m.

## CONTACT INFORMATION KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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A party of record may file an appeal of a decision of the Planning Commission in accordance with the requirements of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Code of Ordinances. An appeal must be filed with the Borough Clerk within 15 days of the notice of decision, using the proper forms, and be accompanied by the filing and records preparation fees. Vacations of right-of-ways, public areas, or public easements outside city limits cannot be made without the consent of the borough assembly.

Vacations within city limits cannot be made without the consent of the city council. The assembly or city council shall have 30 calendar days from the date of approval in which to veto the planning commission decision. If no veto is received within the specified period, it shall be considered that consent was given.

A denial of a vacation is a final act for which the Kenai Peninsula Borough shall give no further consideration. Upon denial, no reapplication or petition concerning the same vacation may be filed within one calendar year of the date of the final denial action except in the case where new evidence or circumstances exist that were not available or present when the original petition was filed.

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## C. CONSENT AGENDA

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Peter A. Micciche Borough Mayor

#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Broken Axle No. 2

KPB File 2023-134

Homer Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on December 11, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

Vince Piagentini Platting Manager

State of Alaska

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Signed and sworn (or affirmed) in my presence this 20 day of 2024 by Vince Piagentini.

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL**

Subdivision:

Bunnell's Subdivision 2023 Replat

KPB File 2023-047

Homer Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on May 22, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL**

Subdivision:

C & C Bear Subdivision 2023 Replat

KPB File 2023-133

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The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on January 8, 2024. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL**

Subdivision:

Grewingk Glacier Vista

KPB File 2023-095

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The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on September 25, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, April 3, 2024.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Pacific Park Subdivision Blauvelt Addition

KPB File 2023-088

Homer Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on August 28, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

**Reutov Subdivision** 

KPB File 2023-065

Kenai Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on July 17, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, April 3, 2024.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Shipley Subdivision

KPB File 2023-070

Kenai Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on August 14, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL**

Subdivision:

South Bend Bluff Estates 2023 Replat

KPB File 2023-112

Kenai Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on November 13, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Terra Bella Subdivision

KPB File 2022-024

Homer Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on April 11, 2022. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

W.R. Bell Subdivision 2023 Addition

KPB File 2023-087

Homer Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on August 28, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL

Subdivision:

Waterman Spring Replat 2023

KPB File 2023-039

Homer Recording District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission conditionally approved the preliminary subdivision plat on April 24, 2023. Approval for the plat is valid for two years from the date of approval.

The final plat complied with conditions of preliminary approval and KPB Title 20 (Subdivisions); therefore, per KPB 20.60.220, administrative approval has been granted by the undersigned on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

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## C. CONSENT AGENDA

\*7. Minutes a. March 25, 2024 PC Meeting Minutes

# **Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission**

Betty J. Glick Assembly Chambers, Kenai Peninsula Borough George A. Navarre Administration Building

#### March 25, 2024 7:30 P.M. UNAPPROVED MINUTES

#### AGENDA ITEM A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Brantley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

#### AGENDA ITEM B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present
Jeremy Brantley, Ridgeway/Sterling District
Jeffery Epperheimer, Nikiski District
Pamela Gillham, Kalifornsky/Kasilof District
Virginia Morgan, Cooper Landing/Hope District
Charlene Tautfest, City of Soldotna
Franco Venuti, City of Homer
Diane Fikes, City of Kenai
Troy Staggs, City of Seward

With 9 members of a 9-member seated commission in attendance, a quorum was present.

#### Staff Present

Robert Ruffner, Planning Director Walker Steinhage, Borough Deputy Attorney Vince Piagentini, Platting Manager Morgan Aldridge, Planner Jennifer Robertson, LMD Administrative Assistant Ann Shirnberg, Planning Administrative Assistant

#### AGENDA ITEM C. CONSENT & REGULAR AGENDAS

#### \*2. Planning Commission Resolutions

a. PC Resolution 2023-09

#### \*3. Plats Granted Administrative Approval

- a. Cohoe Country Estates Subdivision No. 9; KPB File 2023-091
- b. Evenson Subdivision 2023 Replat: KPB File 2023-119
- c. Gateway Subdivision 2022 Lindquist Addition; KPB File 2022-164
- d. Hetherton Homestead Acres Phillips Addition; KPB File 2023-099
- e. Patson Properties Cude Addition; KPB File 2023-101
- f. Silkok Creek Alaska Subdivision Moore Replat; KPB File 2023-005
- g. Stewart Subdivision 2023 Replat; KPB File 2023-031R1
- h. Teal Bay Subdivision Pattison Addition; KPB File 2023-098
- i. Thorsland Subdivision Addition No. 1; KPB File 2022-069R1

#### \*6. Commissioner Excused Absences

a. Dawson Slaughter, South Peninsula District

#### \*7. Minutes

a. February 126, 2024 Planning Commission meeting minutes.

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Chair Brantley asked Ms. Shirnberg to read the consent agenda items into the record. He then asked if anyone wished to speak to any of the items on the consent agenda. Seeing and hearing no one wishing to comment, Chair Brantley brought it back to the commission for a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Staggs moved, seconded by Commissioner Gillham to approve the consent and regular agendas.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

#### **MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:**

Yes - 8	Brantley, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Staggs, Tautfest, Venuti
Absent – 1	Slaughter

#### **AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS**

Chair Brantley asked Ms. Shirnberg to read the public hearing procedures into the record.

#### ITEM #1. - BUILDING SETBACK ENCROACHMENT PERMIT HARLIE A FELLERS SUBDIVISION TRACT B KN 78-31

KPB File No.	2024-021
Planning Commission Meeting:	March 25, 2024
Applicant / Owner:	Travis and Junietta Steinbeck / Steinbeck, Inc.
Surveyor:	Jerry Johnson / Johnson Surveying
General Location:	Sterling Highway & Mercantile Avenue, Kasilof
Parent Parcel No.:	133-410-08
Legal Description:	Tract B Harlie A. Fellers Subdivision KN 78-31
Assessing Use:	Commercial
Zoning:	Rural Unrestricted
Resolution	2024-6

Staff report given by Platting Manager Vince Piagentini.

Chair Brantley opened the item for public comment.

Jerry Johnson, Johnson Surveying; P.O. Box 27, Clam Gulch, AK 99568: Mr. Johnson was the surveyor on this project and made himself available for questions.

Seeing and hearing no one else wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the committee.

MOTION: Commissioner Staggs moved, seconded by Commissioner Epperheimer to adopt Planning Commission Resolution 2024-06 granting a setback encroachment permit to Tract B, Harlie A. Fellers Subdivision, Plat KN 0078031, citing findings 1, 2 & 9 in support of standard one, findings 3-5 in support of standard two, findings 6, 7 & 9 in support of standard three and subject to compliance with KPB 20.10.110 section F & G, as set forth in the staff report.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote: **MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:** 

Yes - 8	Brantley, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Staggs, Tautfest, Venuti
Absent – 1	Slaughter

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#### ITEM #2 - RIGHT OF WAY VACATION

# VACATE THE APPROXIMATE 184' OF THE END OF THE CUL-DE-SAC OF SHALOM LANE BETWEEN LOTS 4, 5,6 AND TRACT A OF IMMANUEL SUBDIVISION AND ASSOCIATED UTILITY EASEMENT

KPB File No.	2024-022V
Planning Commission Meeting:	March 25, 2024
Applicant / Owner:	David and Christina Hall & Terrance Rais
Surveyor:	James Hall / McLane Consulting, Inc
General Location:	De Busk Drive in Nikiski
Legal Description:	Shalom Lane in Immanuel Subdivision KN 2022-46

Staff report given by Platting Manager Vince Piagentini.

Chair Brantley opened the item for public comment. Seeing and hearing no one wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the committee.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Staggs moved, seconded by Commissioner Gillham to approve the vacation as petitioned based on the means of evaluating public necessity established by KPB 20.70, based on staff recommendations and subject to the five conditions as set forth in the staff report.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

#### MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:

Yes - 8	Brantley, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Staggs, Tautfest, Venuti
Absent – 1	Slaughter

# ITEM #3 – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOT BRIDGE WITHIN THE 50-FOOT HABITATE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF PTARMIGAN CREEK

PC Resolution Number	2024-05
Planning Commission Meeting:	March 25, 2024
Applicant	USDA Forest Service
KPB Tax Parcel ID	125-321-05
Logal Description:	T 4N R 1E SEC 30 SEWARD MERIDIAN SW GOVT LOTS 1 THRU
Legal Description:	4 & NE1/4 NE1/4 & W1/2 NE1/4 & E1/2 W1/2

Staff report given by Planner Morgan Aldridge.

Chair Brantley opened the item for public comment.

<u>Hampton Coogle, Project Manager; 161 E. 1st Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501:</u> Mr. Coogle is the project manager for this installation and made himself available for questions.

Seeing and hearing no one else wishing to comment, public comment was closed and discussion was opened among the committee.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Staggs to adopt Planning Commission Resolution 2024-05, granting a conditional use permit pursuant to KPB 21.18 for the construction of a footbridge within the 50-Foot Habitat Protection District Ptarmigan Creek.

Hearing no objection or further discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote:

#### **MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE:**

Yes - 8	Brantley, Epperheimer, Fikes, Gillham, Morgan, Staggs, Tautfest, Venuti
Absent – 1	Slaughter

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#### AGENDA ITEM F. PLAT COMMITTEE REPORT

Commissioner Gillham report that the committee reviewed and granted preliminary approval to 8 plats.

#### AGENDA ITEM G. OTHER

Plat Committee Members (April-May-June-July)

- Commissioner Gillham
- Commissioner Morgan (Unavailable on 4/8/24 & 5/13/24)
- Commissioner Venuti
- Commissioner Epperheimer
- Commission Brantley (Alternate)

### AGENDA ITEM H. PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

Chair Brantley asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to comment on anything not appearing on the agenda. No one wished to comment

#### AGENDA ITEM K. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gillham moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 P.M.

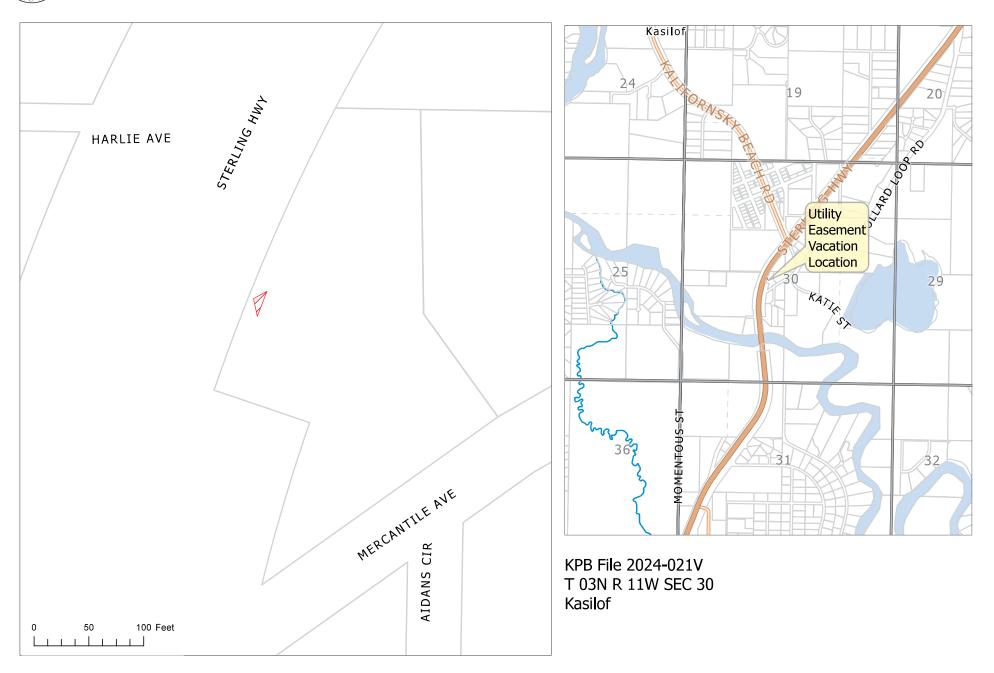
Ann E. Shirnberg Administrative Assistant

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## **E. NEW BUSINESS**

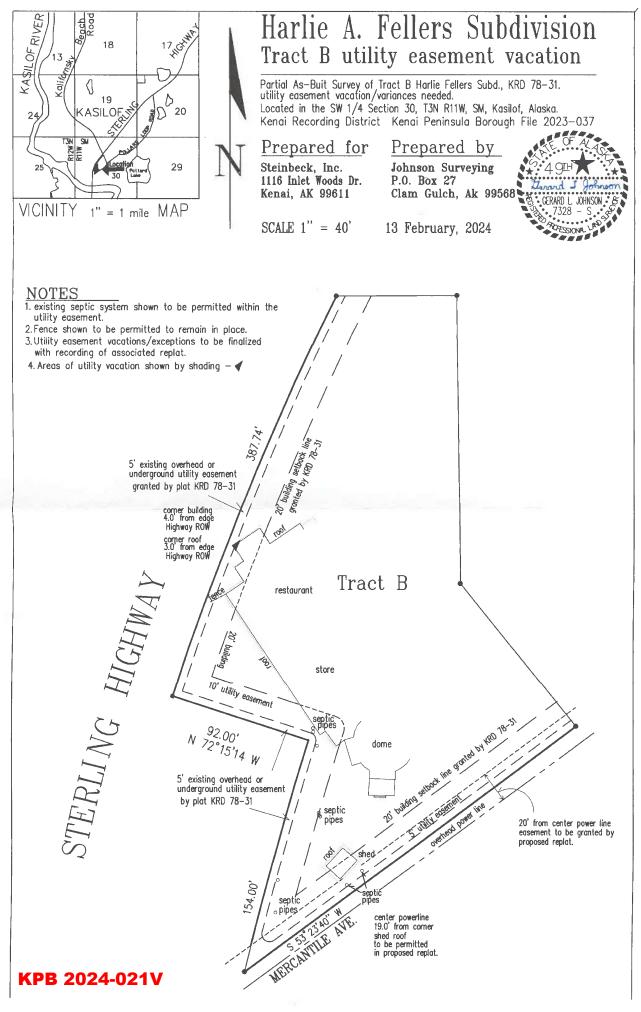
Utility Easement Vacation: KPB File 2024-021V
 Johnson Surveying / Steinbeck
 Request: Vacates a portion of the 25' utility easement on the western
 side of Tract B, Harlie A Fellers Subdivision, KN 78-31
 Kasilof Area

3/22/2024



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#### AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

#### **ITEM #1 - UTILITY EASEMENT ALTERATION**

Vacates a portion of the five-foot utility easement that the Northerly portion of a structure is encroaching located on the western side of Tract B.

KPB File No.	2024-021V
Planning Commission Meeting:	April 22, 2024
Applicant / Owner:	Steinbeck, Inc. / Kenai, AK
Surveyor:	Jerry Johnson / Johnson Surveying
General Location:	Sterling Highway and Mercantile Avenue

#### STAFF REPORT

<u>Specific Request / Purpose as stated in the petition:</u> Petition to vacate a portion of the five-foot utility easement that a triangular portion of northwestern corner is encroaching into.

**Notification:** Notice of vacation mailings were sent by regular mail to thirteen owners of property within 600 feet. Notice of the proposed vacation was emailed to seven agencies and interested parties.

The public notice was posted on the Planning Department's bulletin board at the KPB Administration Building.

<u>Staff Analysis:</u> No utilities appear to be affected by the building encroachment as is. Any future utilities to be installed should have enough clearance to avoid the structure in the future.

**Utility provider review:** 

HEA	No comment
ENSTAR	No comments or recommendations
ACS	No response
GCI	Approved as shown

#### Findings:

- 1. The petition does not state that the utility easement proposed to be vacated is not in use by a utility company.
- 2. ACS, ENSTAR, GCI, and HEA provided written non-objection to the proposed vacation.
- 3. No surrounding properties will be denied utilities.
- 4. This easement faces towards and is against a large highway right-of-way.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

**CORRECTIONS / EDITS** 

Make the following corrections:

Orient the label for the overhead power line better and add a arrow pointer to the line. Label as Existing.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on consideration of the merits as outlined by Staff comments and Staff findings, Staff recommends APPROVAL of the utility easement alteration as petitioned, subject to:

- 1. Grant utility easements requested by utility providers.
- 2. Finalizing the approval of the easement alteration by either;
  - a. The recording of a subdivision plat within 12 months, compliant with the requirements of Chapter 20 of KPB Code or.
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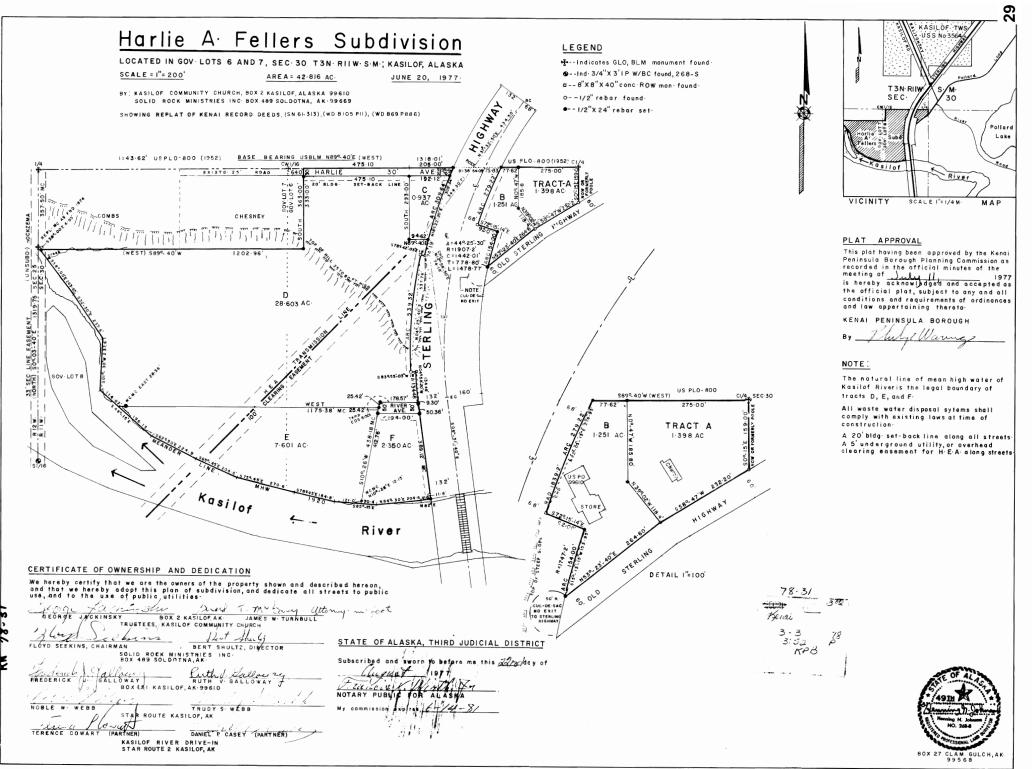
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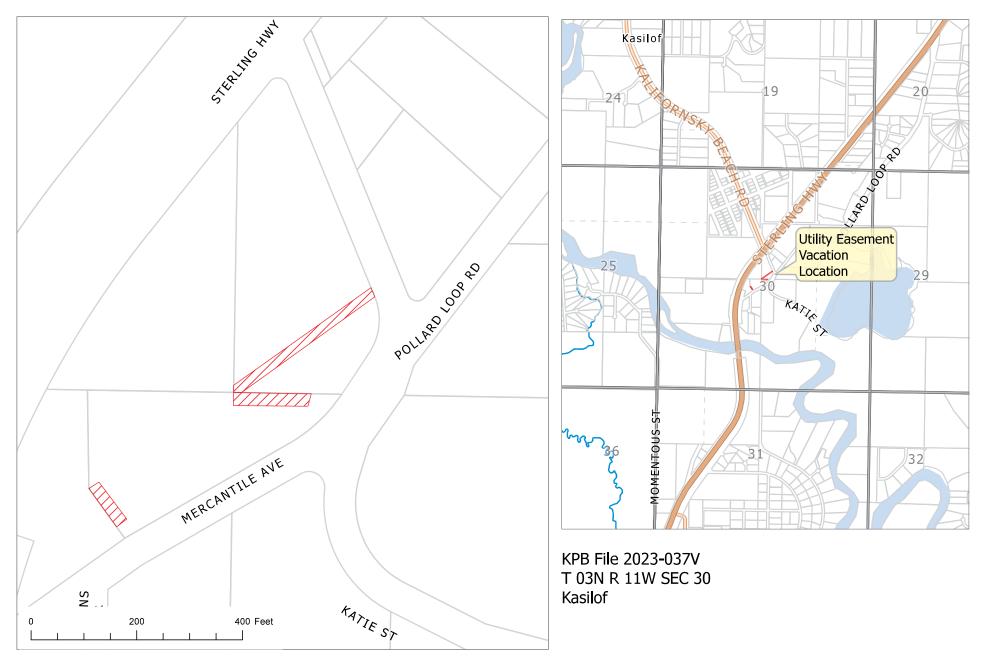
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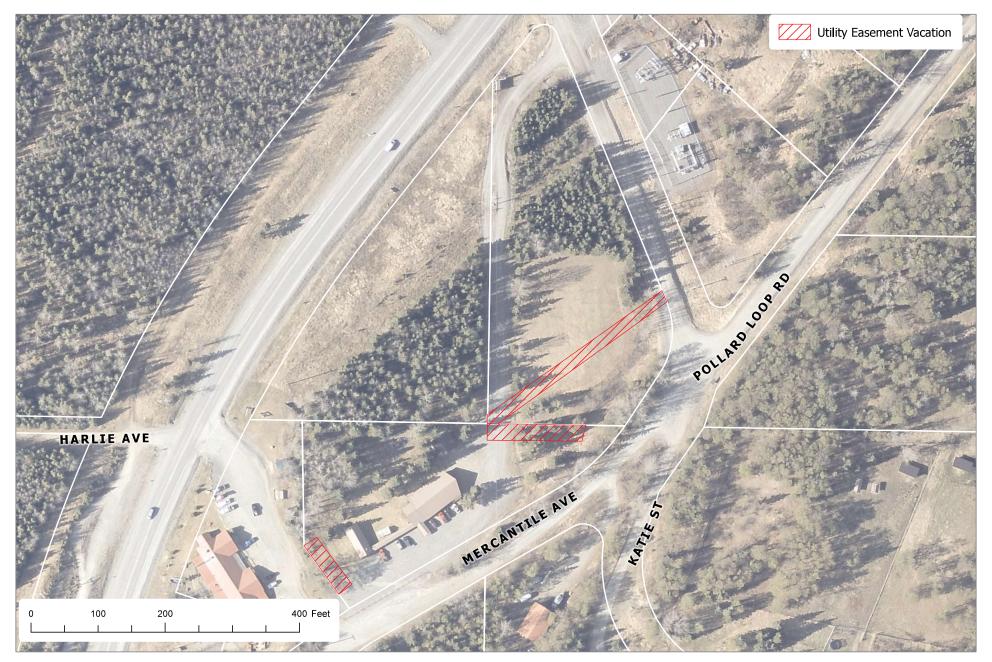
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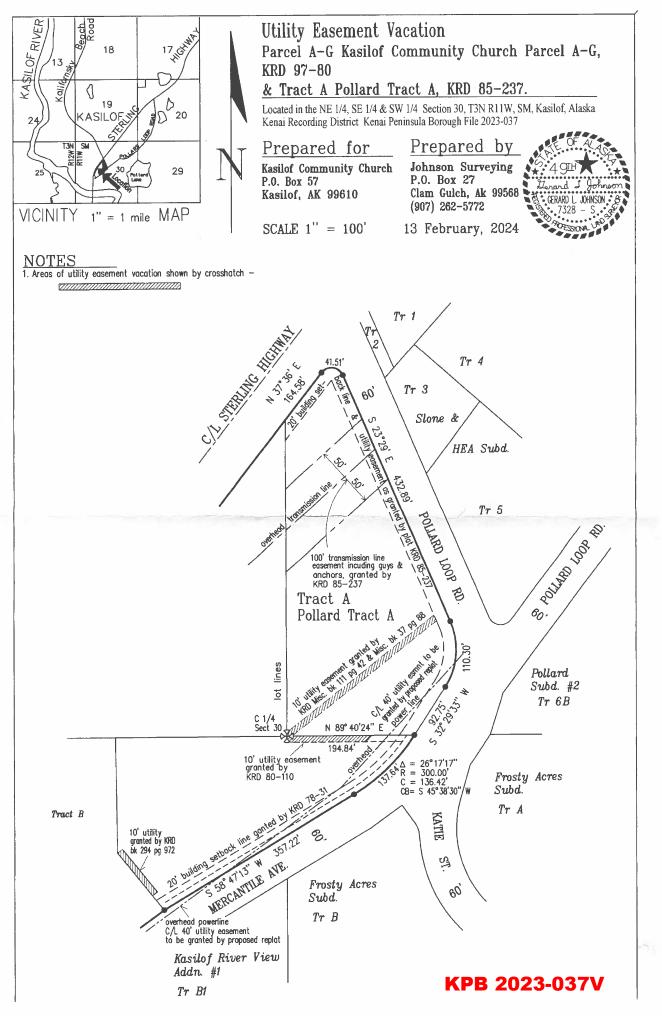




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#### AGENDA ITEM E. NEW BUSINESS

#### **ITEM #2 - UTILITY EASEMENT ALTERATION**

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KPB File No.	2023-037V
Planning Commission Meeting:	April 22, 2024
Applicant / Owner:	Kasilof Community Church / Kasilof
Surveyor:	Jerry Johnson / Johnson Surveying
General Location:	Sterling Highway and Pollard Loop Rd.

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<u>Specific Request / Purpose as stated in the petition:</u> Petition is to vacate a utility easement and a portion of a second one that have been identified as not in use.

**Notification:** Notice of vacation mailings were sent by regular mail to Sixteen owners of property within 600 feet. Notice of the proposed vacation was emailed to seven agencies and interested parties.

The public notice was posted on the Planning Department's bulletin board at the KPB Administration Building.

#### Staff Analysis:

There are no existing utilities located in the easements to be vacated and no objections to the vacation. No utility company indicated a future use for the easements.

#### **Utility provider review:**

HEA	No comment
ENSTAR	No comments or recommendations
ACS	No response
GCI	Approved as shown

#### Findings:

- 1. Easements were identified as being unused by utility company (HEA) and recommended vacated in conjunction with replat action underway.
- 2. ACS, ENSTAR, GCI, and HEA provided written non-objection to the proposed vacation.
- 3. Vacation of the easement will not affect adjacent properties.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

**CORRECTIONS / EDITS** 

Add KPB File No 2023-037<u>V</u> Add lot label to the lower tract.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on consideration of the merits as outlined by Staff comments and Staff findings, Staff recommends APPROVAL of the utility easement alteration as petitioned, subject to:

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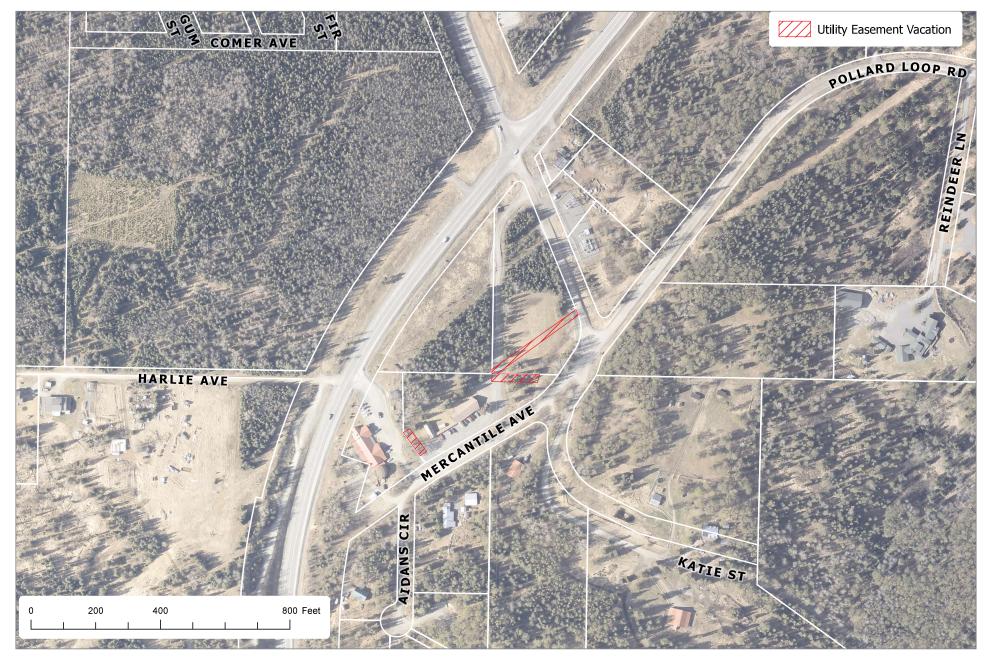
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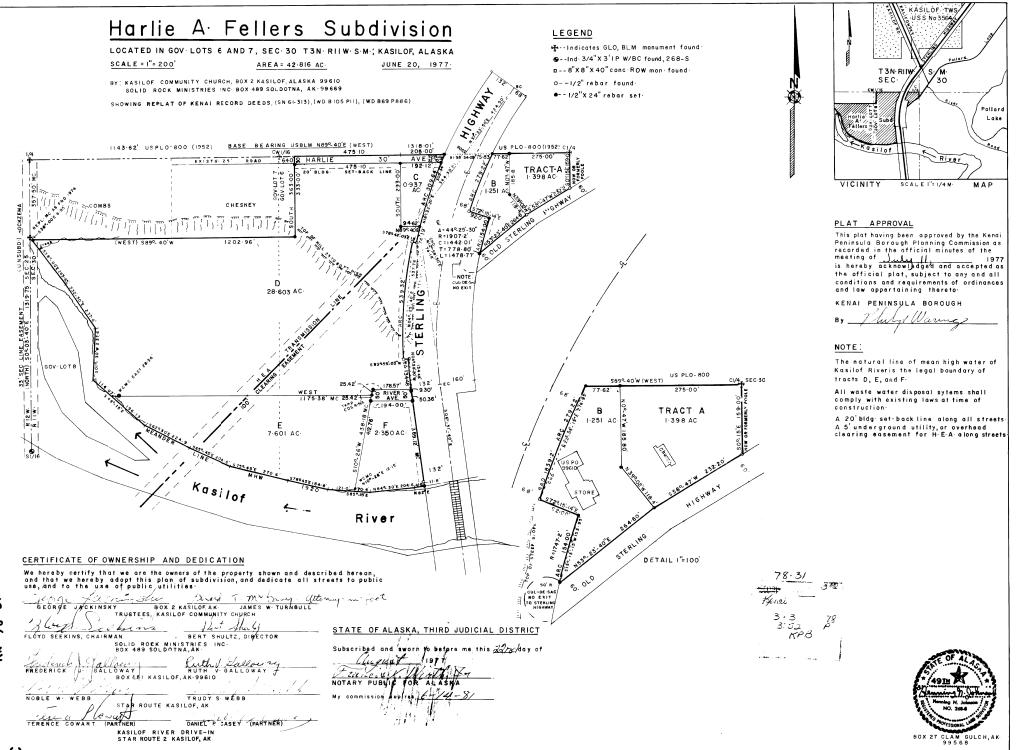


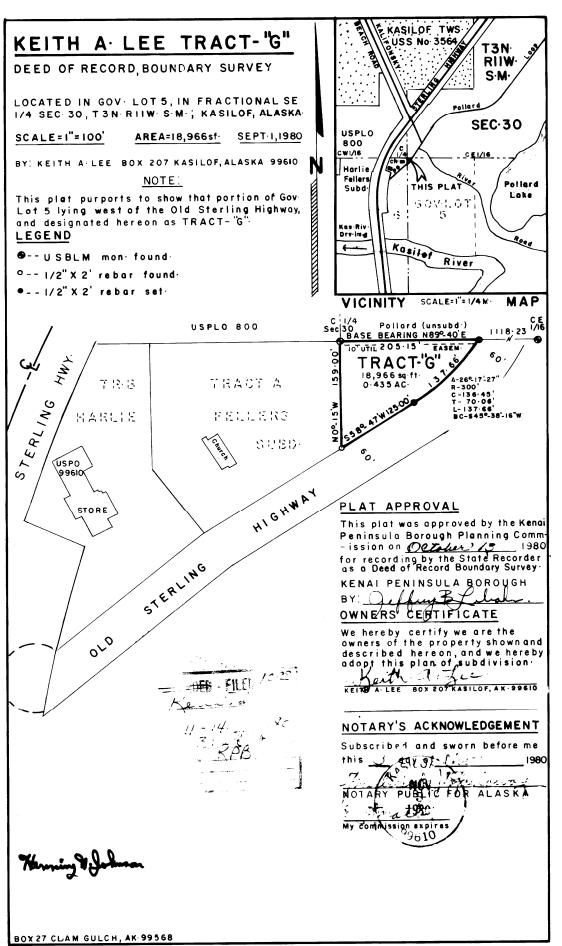
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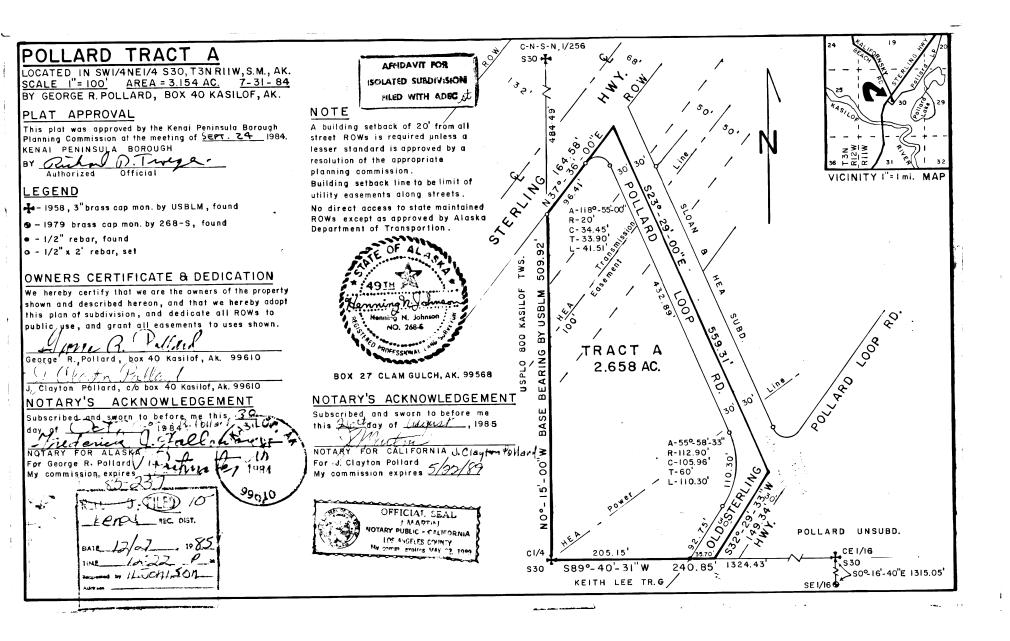
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#### These KASILOF COMMUNITY CHURCH 29 25 PARCEL A-G. SHOWING A REPLAT OF TRACT A, HARLIE A.FELLERS SUBD. KENAI RECORDING DISTRICT 78-31 AND KEITH A. LEE TRACT G, DEED OF RECORD BOUNDARY SURVEY, K.R.D. 80-110. BY Kasilof Community Church, Box 2 Kasilof, Ak. SCALE 1"=100" AREA = 1.833 AC. JAN.19, 1987 36 LOCATED IN SI/2 SEC. 30, T3N RIIW, S.M. NOTE: This plat purports to show a replat of above two LEGEND ⊕ - USBLM mon. found. VICINITY o - 1/2" rerod found NOTES A building setback of 20' from all street R.O.W.s is required unless a lesser standard is approved by a resolution of the appropriate planning commission. Front 10 of building setback is also a utility easement and also the entire setback within 5 feet of side lot lines, for guy wires. Soils on these lots may or may not be suitable for conventional on site waste disposal systems. CONT. BELOW U.S.PL.O. 800 POLLARD TRACT A BASE BEARING SEC. 30 1118.23 480.15 K.R. 78-31 N 8 9 ° - 40 E C 1/4 **A** PARCEL Α G æ : 260-17'- 27" A = 260-17 -R = 300.00° C = 136.45° T = 70.06° L = 137.66° œ TRACT 1.833 AC. 47 ٥ 0 2 HWY. STERLING No person may construct, install, mainfain, or operate a pressurized water system, or water born PLAT APPROVAL waste disposal system unless ap-This plat was approved by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning proval of the ALASKA DEPT. of Commission as provided for in Section 20.04.070 K.PB. Subdivision Regulations. ENV!RONMENTAL CONSERVATION is obtained. 81-80 Y Shick of Trolga. AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL 6-11-87 RECORDED LEILED 20-KENAI RECORDING DISTRICT OWNERS\_CERTIFICATE 617187 We hereby certify that we are the owners of the property shown and described hereon, and we hereby adopt this plan of subdivision 3:40 PM Elise Kladinsky Truster Dana Wather Truster REQUESTED BY ADDRESS H Johnson NOTARY PUBLIC NOTARY'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT day of Tribain 25 1987 Subscribed and sworn to before me this Jane M. Gabler NOTARY PUBLIC FOR ALASKA 28 1987) for George Jackinsky (JANUARY 28 1987) My commission expires Sept. 13 1177 FOR JEAN A WEATHER FOLD (JUNE 11.1987) FOR GREG A. ROZAK (JUNE 11.1987)