

NONCODE ORDINANCE

Sponsored By: Mayor Halter
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Public Hearing: 03/05/19
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Adopted: 03/05/19

Motion to amend something previously adopted passed: 03/19/19

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 19-030**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY
ESTABLISHING A BOROUGH TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE AND CONSIDER STEPS
TO DEVELOP A PROPOSAL TO VOTERS THAT ADDS SPECIFIC POLICE POWERS
TO ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

WHEREAS, the voters of the Borough voted to have the Borough
staff investigate and consider steps to develop a proposal to
voters that adds police powers to its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly directed the Manager, at the Assembly
Planning Work Session on January 19, 2019, to form a task force to
fulfill the voters request; and

WHEREAS, a series of public meetings and a public survey in
2018 determined that citizens consider crime in the Borough to be
a serious problem; and

WHEREAS, the citizens want something done about crime in the
Borough; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for people knowledgeable of
possible police powers options to provide recommendations; and

WHEREAS, in order to expedite the creation of this task force
this noncode ordinance is being utilized in lieu of the normal
nomination and vacancy process.

BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. Classification. This is a noncode ordinance.

Section 2. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

Section 3. Formation of a Police Powers Task Force. The Deputy Borough Manager, George Hays, will be the chairperson and will facilitate the meetings of the Police Powers Task Force. In the event of a tie vote, the Deputy Manager may cast a tiebreaker vote, but will otherwise not be a regular voting member. The task force will consist of 10 full-voting members; the Deputy Manager only votes in case of a tie, and three ex officio non-voting members who will be nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by the Assembly as follows:

Ex Officio Non-Voting Police Powers Task Force Members:

1. John Aschenbrenner Deputy Borough Attorney
2. Cheyenne Heindel Borough Finance Director
3. Tony April Detachment B Commander, AK State Troopers

Police Powers Task Force Members:

1. Ted Leonard Borough Assembly Member for District 4
2. Jim Sykes Borough Assembly Member for District 1
3. Lance Ketterling Chief of Police, City of Palmer
4. Bert Cottle Mayor, City of Wasilla
5. Earl Houser Superintendent, Goose Creek Corrections

6. Jeff Laughlin Retired Alaska State Trooper
7. Robert Hall Business Owner, City of Houston
8. Mike Holman Vice President, AK Association of Chiefs of Police Inc.
9. At-Large Public Member Who Has Been Involved With Trooper Training, Community Safety, or Has Been Involved In Gathering Public Input on the Issue
10. George Hays Deputy Borough Manager - votes only in case of tie vote

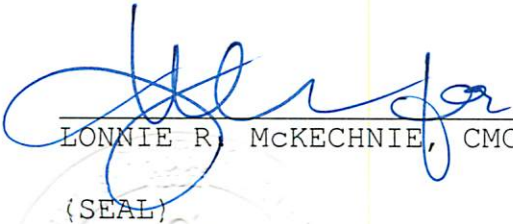
Section 4: Purpose of the Task Force. The Police Powers Task Force will investigate and consider steps to develop from one to three prioritized, fiscally reasonable, and possible proposals for the purpose of sending them to the Assembly for consideration. The Assembly will consider whether to present one or more of these proposals to the voters on the next regular ballot for the purpose of adding specific police powers to the Borough's responsibilities.

Section 5: This Police Powers Task Force shall have their recommendation to the Assembly on, or before, June 28, 2019, and shall sunset on December 31, 2019.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 5 day
of March, 2019.


VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk
(SEAL)

03/19/19 vote:

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Sykes, Beck, McKee, Leonard, Mayfield, Sumner,
and Boeve

03/05/19 vote:

YES: Sykes, Beck, Leonard, Mayfield, and Boeve

NO: McKee and Sumner