

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AMENDING MSB 18.04.035(A), PORT COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP.

AGENDA OF: March 16, 2021

ASSEMBLY ACTION:

Adopted without objection

4-6-21 (B)

MANAGER RECOMMENDATION: Introduce and set for public hearing.

APPROVED BY MICHAEL BROWN, BOROUGH MANAGER:

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Route To:	Department/Individual	Initials	Remarks
	Originator	KBJ	
	Borough Attorney	JAN/S.	3/4/21
	Borough Clerk	KBJ for LM	03.08.21

ATTACHMENT(S) : Fiscal Note: YES _____ NO _____
Ordinance Serial No. 21-023 (1 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT: This legislation is coming forward at the request of Mayor Halter.

The Port Commission is comprised of seven members. This legislation would designate seat 7 as an Assembly Member seat.

Port MacKenzie is a large asset of the MSB. During the recent special meeting the Manager presented opportunities and recommendations, such as: Port Rail Extension, West Susitna Access Road, Knik Arm Crossing, Ambler Mining District, increase cargo opportunities, and the hiring of a firm to market the Port.

The Port Commission is an advisory board to the Assembly. Seat 7 is currently unoccupied and it is being recommended that this seat become an Assembly Member seat. This Assembly Member will be able to have regular discussions at Port Commission meetings and provide regular updates to the Assembly. This would work well as we have seen with the MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission. Two Assembly Members serve on the MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission and have been able to have important discussions at the Commission level and provide that information to the Assembly. The Mayor requests this level of Assembly participation with the Port Commission and requests approval of this legislation.