

CODE ORDINANCE

Sponsored by: Borough Manager
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Adopted: 08/03/21

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 21-066**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AMENDING MSB 25.45.040(B), ELECTION RECOUNT, TO INSTRUCT THE CANVASS BOARD TO REVIEW THE WRITE-IN VOTES AND TO COUNT THOSE WRITE-IN VOTES FOR THOSE CANDIDATES WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THE BALLOT AND FOR OFFICIAL WRITE-IN CANDIDATES.

BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the Borough Code.

Section 2. Amendment of section. MSB 25.45.040(B) is hereby amended to read as follows:

(B) In conducting the recount, the canvass board shall review all ballots to determine which ballots, or parts of ballots, were properly marked, which ballots are to be counted in the recount, and shall check the accuracy of the original count and all documentation provided by the election officials. The canvass board shall check the number of ballots and questioned ballots cast in a precinct against the registers and shall check early and absentee ballots voted against early and absentee ballots distributed. The rules in MSB 25.35 governing the counting of [Hand-Marked]

ballots shall be followed in the recount[.], except for:

(1) if there are write-in votes for a candidate whose name appears on the ballot or for an official write-in candidate, these write-in votes shall be tabulated.

Section 3. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 3 day of August, 2021.


VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:


LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

(SEAL)

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Hale, Nowers, McKee, Yundt, Tew, Sumner, and Boeve