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| Introduced by: | Policies &<br>Procedures Committee |
| Date:          | 12/12/95                           |
| Hearing:       | 1/16/96                            |
| Postponed to:  | 2/06/96                            |
| Action:        | Enacted as Amended                 |
| Vote:          | Unanimous                          |

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
ORDINANCE 95-40**

**AN ORDINANCE DELETING RUNOFF ELECTIONS FOR ASSEMBLY  
AND SCHOOL BOARD RACES**

**WHEREAS,** runoff election for the school board and assembly seats are expensive and usually do not change the election results; and

**WHEREAS,** the assembly considers it in the best interest of the borough to eliminate runoff elections for these bodies; and

**WHEREAS,** AS 29.26.060 authorizes the eliminatin of runoff elections by ordinance;

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:**

**SECTION 1.** That KPC Section 4.10.070 is amended to read:

**4.10.070 Votes required for election to office.**

A. Election to the office of borough mayor is by a majority of the votes cast. If no candidate for the office of borough mayor receives a majority of the votes cast for that office, a runoff election will be held between the 2 candidates receiving the highest number of votes.

B. The candidate for an assembly or school board seat receiving the greatest number of votes [IN EXCESS OF 40% OF THE VOTES CAST FOR THAT OFFICE OR SEAT] is elected. [IF NO CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER OR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RECEIVES IN EXCESS OF 40% OF THE VOTES CAST FOR HIS RESPECTIVE OFFICE, A RUNOFF ELECTION SHALL BE HELD BETWEEN THE 2 CANDIDATES RECEIVING THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES.]

C. The candidate for an elected service area board seat receiving the greatest number of votes cast for that seat is elected.

**SECTION 2.** That ratification of this ordinance shall be placed before the voters at the next regular municipal election to be held in October 1996 in the form of the following proposition:

Shall Kenai Peninsula Borough Ordinance 94-40, Section 1 be ratified? This ordinance section

provides that the candidate for an assembly or school board seat receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected. This eliminates the requirement that a candidate must receive in excess of 40% of the votes cast for that office or seat to be elected. If passed, runoff elections would not be held for assembly and school board races.

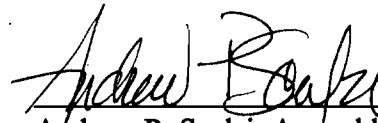
A "YES" vote would eliminate runoff elections for assembly and school board races YES [ ]

A "NO" vote would retain runoff elections for assembly and school board races NO [ ]

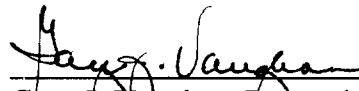
**SECTION 3.** That if ratified by the voters at the next regular municipal election, Section 1 of this ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 1997.

**SECTION 4.** That Section 2 of this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon enactment.

**ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1996.**

  
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Andrew P. Scalzi, Assembly President

**ATTEST:**

  
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Gaye J. Vaughan, Borough Clerk