

Introduced Policies &
Procedures Committee
Date: 5/21/96
Hearing: 6/18/96
Action: Enacted
Vote: Unanimous

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 96-21**

AN ORDINANCE ADDING KPC 4.50.015, ABSENTEE BY-MAIL PRECINCTS

- WHEREAS,** it is often difficult to obtain precinct workers in smaller precincts; and
- WHEREAS,** there is a much higher dollar per vote value for precincts where the number of registered voters and the turnout is significantly less than other precincts; and
- WHEREAS,** the national trend is going toward elections by-mail; and
- WHEREAS,** allowing the smaller precincts to vote by-mail in regular and runoff elections could increase voter participation and save money;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That a new KPC Section 4.50.015 be added as follows:

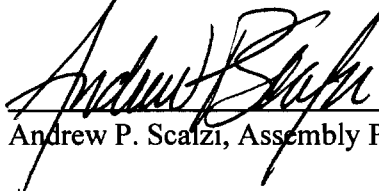
4.50.015 Absentee by-mail precincts.

In precincts where the voter turnout was less than 50 voters at the last regular election, the clerk may designate those precincts as "absentee by-mail" precincts. In those precincts, no election workers shall be appointed. The procedures outlined in Chapter 4.120 shall be followed with the following exceptions:

- A. that ballots shall be sent to each registered voter in the precinct on or before the 15th day prior to the election; and
 - B. that voted ballots must be postmarked on or before midnight of election day and received by the clerk no later than the Tuesday following the election.
- Voters wishing to vote absentee in person may do so at any designated absentee voting site.

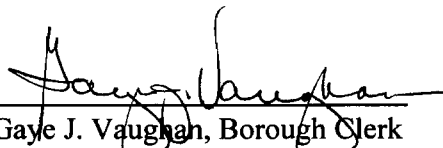
SECTION 2. That this ordinance shall take effect upon enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 1996.



Andrew P. Scalzi, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Gaye J. Vaughan, Borough Clerk