Introduced
Date:
Hearing:

Drathman, Navarre April 7, 1998 May 5, 1998

Action: Vote:

Enacted as amended
Unanimous

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 98-14

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KPB CHAPTER 1.12 TO CLARIFY ORDINANCE FORMAT AND PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, KPB Chapter 1.12 contains requirements for ordinance format and publication; and

WHEREAS, additional requirements explaining legislative style changes, requiring titles to fairly summarize the ordinance, and addressing publication of ordinance summaries and their amendments, may help to improve communications with the public concerning proposed legislation;

WHEREAS, the requirement that a summary of proposed ordinances be published can be satisfied by publishing only the title if the title summarizes the ordinance, which would reduce publication costs otherwise incurred by publishing both the ordinance title and a separate summary;

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

SECTION 1. KPB 1.12.020 (B) shall be amended to read as follows:

## 1.12.020. Form requirements.

B. The title shall clearly identify <u>and fairly summarize</u> the subject matter, and when an <u>ordinance</u> is amended to the extent that new public notice is required, the title shall be amended to reflect the primary changes to the ordinance;

**SECTION 2.** KPB 1.12.020(H) shall be enacted to read as follows:

#### 1.12.020. Form requirements.

- H. Every ordinance and resolution shall contain a footer in the following form:
  - 1. "Kenai Peninsula Borough, Alaska" shall be on one side of the footer;
  - 2. The ordinance or resolution number shall be on the opposite side of the footer from the above statement;
  - 3. The page number and total pages shall be identified below the ordinance or resolution as "Page of "; and

4. In the center of each footer, the following statement shall appear: "New Text Underlined: [DELETED TEXT BRACKETED]".

This subsection does not apply to resolutions.

**SECTION 3.** KPB 1.12.040(A) shall be amended to read as follows:

#### KPB 1.12.040. Publication, posting and public hearing required — Procedure.

A. Publication shall be by causing a summary of each ordinance and, when amended and subject to further consideration by the assembly, a summary of its amendments, to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the borough together with a notice of the time and place for public hearing. Publication of the title shall satisfy this requirement where the title fairly summarizes the ordinance. Accompanying publication of ordinance summaries shall be a statement advising the public that, subject to legal limitations, ordinances may be amended by the assembly prior to adoption without further public notice. The hearing shall follow newspaper publication by at least 5 days.

**SECTION 4.** That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 5th DAY OF MAY, 1998.

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Jack Brown, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clo