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Election Committee Chair  
Prepared by: Assembly Counsel  
For reading: November 6, 2007

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
AO NO. 2007-152**

1 AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE  
2 MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON  
3 APRIL 1, 2008, A BALLOT PROPOSITION AMENDING HOME RULE CHARTER  
4 ARTICLE XI, SECTION 11.02, ELECTION PROCEDURES, TO REQUIRE A RUN-OFF  
5 ELECTION IF NO CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR RECEIVES MORE  
6 THAN FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE VOTES CAST FOR THE OFFICE.  
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10 WHEREAS, in 1977 the Anchorage Municipal Charter was amended to provide for run-  
11 off elections in the event that no candidate for the office of mayor received more than  
12 40% of the votes cast; and

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14 WHEREAS, by initiative petition and ballot proposition in 1999, the voters of Anchorage  
15 changed the threshold for determining mayoral run-off elections from 40% to 50% in  
16 Charter Section 11.02(b); and

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18 WHEREAS, by Assembly ordinance and ballot proposition in 2003, the threshold for  
19 determining mayoral run-off elections was changed from 50% to 45% in Charter Section  
20 11.02(b); and

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22 WHEREAS, Charter Section 18.01 provides that the Charter may be amended only  
23 upon the concurrence of a majority of the qualified voters of Anchorage;

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25 THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

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27 **Section 1.** A ballot proposition in substantially the same form as appears in Section 2  
28 below shall be placed on the ballot and submitted to the qualified voters of the  
29 Municipality at the regular municipal election on April 1, 2008.

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32 **Section 2.** The proposition shall be presented in substantially the following form:  
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**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**ASSEMBLY INFORMATION MEMORANDUM**  
**NO. AIM 109-2007**

**Meeting Date:** December 11, 2007

**From:** Municipal Clerk's Office

**Subject: AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON APRIL 1, 2008, A BALLOT PROPOSITION AMENDING HOME RULE CHARTER ARTICLE XI, SECTION 11.02, ELECTION PROCEDURES, TO REQUIRE A RUN-OFF ELECTION IF NO CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR RECEIVES MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE VOTES CAST FOR THE OFFICE.**

Attached to this memo is the Summary of Economic Effects for Ordinance No. AO 2007-152, an ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the Municipality of Anchorage at the Regular Municipal election on April 1, 2008, a ballot proposition amending Home Rule Charter Article XI, Section 11.02, Election Procedures, to require a run-off election if no candidate for the office of Mayor receives more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes cast for the office.

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Submitted by: Barbara E. Gruenstein, Municipal Clerk

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**Summary of Economic Effects -- General Government**

AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON APRIL 1, 2008, A BALLOT PROPOSITION AMENDING HOME RULE CHARTER ARTICLE XI, SECTION 11.02, ELECTION PROCEDURES, TO REQUIRE A RUN-OFF ELECTION IF NO CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR RECEIVES MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE VOTES CAST FOR THE OFFICE.

AO Number: 2007-152                      Title:

Sponsor:                      Assemblymember Sullivan  
 Preparing Agency:      Department of Assembly  
 Others Impacted:

<b>CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES:</b>					
	<b>(In Thousands of Dollars)</b>				
	<b>FY07</b>	<b>FY08</b>	<b>FY09</b>	<b>FY10</b>	<b>FY11</b>
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>					
1000 Personal Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 138	\$ -	\$ -
2000 Non-Labor	-	-	153	-	-
3900 Contributions	-	-	-	-	-
4000 Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL DIRECT COSTS:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 291</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Add: 6000 Charges from Others	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Less: 7000 Charges to Others	-	-	-	-	-
<b>FUNCTION COST:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 291</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**REVENUES:**

**CAPITAL:**

**POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp**

**PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

Costs for municipal elections would rise in mayoral years as run-off elections become more frequent due to the higher percentage required to win an election. Election costs average \$291,000, based on actuals 2002 - 2007 with the two highest years removed. During this period there has not been a runoff election. In mayoral election year 2003 a run off was avoided due to the 45% required majority, avoiding the cost of an additional election.

**PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

Increased revenue for election vendors and workers are the only private sector effects noted at this time.

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**Agenda Document Control Sheet**

AO 2007-152

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<b>1</b>	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT	DATE PREPARED
	ballot prop. - HRC amendment to require a run-off election if no candidate for the Office of Mayor receives more than 50% of the votes case for the office	10/29/07
		Indicate Documents Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AO <input type="checkbox"/> AR <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> AIM
<b>2</b>	DEPARTMENT NAME	DIRECTOR'S NAME
	Assembly	Dan Coffey, Assembly Chair
<b>3</b>	THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY	HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER
	Julia Tucker, Assembly Counsel	343-4419
<b>4</b>	<b>COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY</b>	<b>INITIALS</b>
	Mayor	
	Municipal Clerk	
	Municipal Attorney	
	Employee Relations	
	Municipal Manager	
	Anchorage Parks & Recreation	
	Fire	
	Health & Human Services	
	Merrill Field Airport	
	Municipal Light & Power	
	Office of Management and Budget	
	Police	
	Port of Anchorage	
	Office of Economic & Community Development	
	Solid Waste Services	
	Public Transportation	
	Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility	
	<b>Executive Manager</b>	
	Planning Department	
	Chief Fiscal Officer	
	Heritage Land Bank	
	Information Technology Department	
	Project Management & Engineering	
	Purchasing	
	<b>Other</b>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Special Instructions/Comments</b>	
	Consent Agenda - Introduction	
<b>6</b>	ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED	<b>7</b>
	11/6/07	
	PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED	
	<del>1/22/08</del> 11/27/07	

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