

Legislative Branch

The Legislative Branch has four departments: **The Assembly: the Assembly Counsel's Office, the Municipal Clerk's Office, and the Ombudsman's Office.**

Anchorage Assembly

Description

The Anchorage Assembly is an eleven-member body, elected by the voters of the Municipality that serves as the legislative body of the municipal government. The Assembly is responsible for setting municipal policy through the enactment of laws (ordinances) and the adoption of resolutions. Each Assembly member is elected by district and serves a three-year term. The Assembly derives its powers from the 1975 Anchorage Home Rule Charter and operates under the Anchorage Municipal Code, the Anchorage Municipal Code of Regulations, and the Constitution of the State of Alaska and its laws.

Assembly Services

- Enacts all municipal laws and sets policies
- Establishes annual mill levies
- Appropriates annual and revised funding levels for all municipal departments including the Anchorage School District
- Provides fiscal oversight of all municipal departments
- Approves contracts over \$500,000 awarded through the competitive bid process and contracts for services over \$100,000, and sole source contracts over \$30,000
- Confirms all appointments to municipal boards and commissions, and other executive level staff
- Certifies municipal elections
- Evaluates the overall efficiency and effectiveness of municipal operations
- Listens to the concerns and suggestions of the people of the Municipality of Anchorage

Assembly Counsel's Office

Description

The Office of the Assembly Counsel provides legal advice to the Assembly and its individual members.

Assembly Counsel's Office Legislative Department Services

- Attends the regular and special meetings of the Assembly and committee meetings upon request
- Assists Assembly members with drafting ordinances, resolutions, memoranda, and other working documents; conducts research and provides opinions regarding legal issues in legislative, administrative, and quasi-judicial matters
- Assists the Municipal Clerk as directed by the Chair of the Assembly; provides training to the Board of Ethics; and serves as counsel to the Board of Adjustment

Municipal Clerk's Office

Description

The Municipal Clerk's Office serves as a liaison between the Anchorage Assembly, the Municipal Administration, and the public, linking the community with its local government. The

duties of the Municipal Clerk's Office include: (1) supporting the Anchorage Assembly and Assembly Boards, Commissions, and Committees, (2) conducting fair elections, (3) processing business licenses and coordinating review of liquor and marijuana licenses, (4) accurately managing the records created as a function of the Clerk's Office including: agendas, minutes, approved ordinances and resolutions, and other documents, and (5) providing budgetary assistance to the Assembly by conducting research and providing analyses of municipal budgetary/financial issues.

Municipal Clerk Office Legislative Department Services

- Provides administrative and logistical support to the Assembly, as well as to the Board of Ethics, the Board of Adjustment, the Board of Equalization, and the Salaries and Emoluments Commission
- Publishes the agenda and compiles the minutes of the all Assembly meetings
- Records all Assembly meetings and worksessions
- Provides public notice as required by law
- Manages Assembly records, including safeguarding and disseminating records for the Assembly, the Administration or the public
- Serves as custodian of the municipal seal and maintains and administers oaths of office for municipal officials
- Conducts municipal elections, including managing and updating the elections database, updating election materials; reviewing and verifying candidate qualifications; securing agreements with polling locations; updating election results and reporting results on election day; provides administrative and logistical support to the Election Commission to conduct the public canvass and report to the Assembly on certification of the election
- Processes business licenses and coordinates review of liquor and marijuana licenses, supporting public safety and land use policies as adopted by the Assembly
- Provides budgetary and program assistance to the Assembly by conducting and facilitating policy, program, and operations research, developing legislation, and providing analyses of municipal budgetary/financial issues
- Serves as a liaison between the Assembly, the Administration, and the public, assisting the public to navigate and follow the actions of local government

Ombudsman's Office

Description

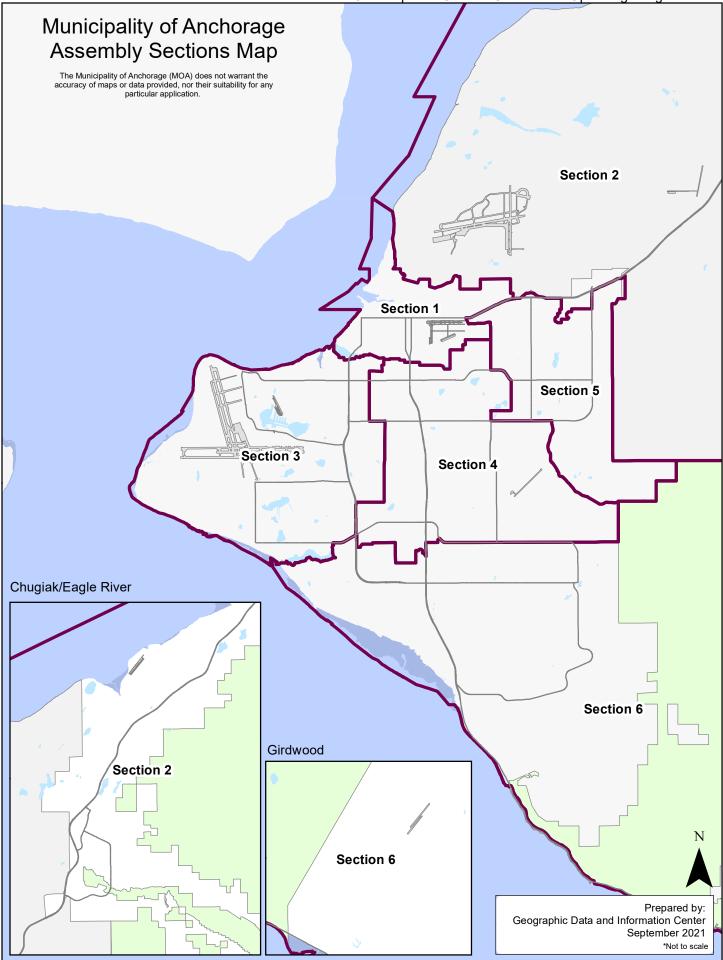
The Ombudsman's Office was established in addition to other remedies or rights of appeal, as an independent, impartial municipal office, readily available to the public and responsible to the Assembly. The Ombudsman's Office is empowered to investigate the acts of municipal agencies and the Anchorage School District, and to recommend appropriate changes toward the goals of safeguarding the rights of persons and of promoting higher standards of competency, efficiency, and equity in the provision of municipal services.

Ombudsman's Office Legislative Department Services

- Provides independent, impartial services to investigate the acts and omissions of municipal government.
- Advises the Assembly, the Mayor, and Municipal departments and agencies regarding fairness and equity in the provisions of Municipal services.
- Recommends changes to Municipal code, policies, and procedures in order to make process fairer and more equitable

• Provides referrals to the public regarding their concerns related to non-Municipal entities and persons

2022 Proposed General Government Operating Budget



Assembly **Department Summary**

	2020 Actuals	2021 Revised	2022 Proposed	22 v 21 % Chg					
Direct Cost by Division									
ASM Assembly	1,468,934	1,661,051	2,073,957	24.86%					
ASM Municipal Clerk	2,715,416	3,410,483	3,053,709	(10.46%)					
ASM Ombudsman	257,304	304,175	331,808	9.08%					
Direct Cost Total	4,441,654	5,375,709	5,459,474	1.56%					
Intragovernmental Charges									
Charges by/to Other Departments	972,718	784,437	739,677	(5.71%)					
Program Generated Revenue	(54,508)	(60,650)	(60,650)	-					
Function Cost Total	5,359,864	6,099,496	6,138,501	0.64%					
Net Cost Total	5,359,864	6,099,496	6,138,501	0.64%					
Direct Cost by Category									
Salaries and Benefits	2,321,495	2,959,475	3,394,240	14.69%					
Supplies	29,594	12,722	12,722	-					
Travel	8,304	22,060	28,040	27.11%					
Contractual/OtherServices	2,075,603	2,381,452	2,024,472	(14.99%)					
Debt Service	-	-	-						
Equipment, Furnishings	6,658	-	-	-					
Direct Cost Total	4,441,654	5,375,709	5,459,474	1.56%					
Position Summary as Budgeted									
Full-Time	31	33	34	3.03%					
Part-Time	1	1	1	-					
Position Total	32	32 34							
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due to 4 positions being budgeted in two fund centers

Assembly Reconciliation from 2021 Revised Budget to 2022 Proposed Budget

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	Direct Costs	FT	PT	Seas
2021 Revised Budget	5,375,709	29	1	
2021 One-Time Requirements				
 REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Assembly Amendment Constant #3 - fund mapping/documentation effort for restrictive platting and zoning covenants and restrictions with reductions to Assembly member Constant's individual account and 	20,000	-	-	
Assembly travel - REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Assembly Amendment Weddleton and LaFrance #2 - fund portion of public relations and media campaign to defend property rights along the Railbelt with reductions to Assembly member Weddleton's individual account and Development Services supplies budget	(15,000)	-	-	
 REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Assembly Amendment Kennedy #1 - Add funding for Chugiak-Eagle River Senior Center with reduction of Assembly Member Kennedy's individual account and from the Anchorage Health Department 	9,000	-	-	
- REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Special Election - Mayoral Run-Off	(365,000)	-	-	
Changes in Existing Programs/Funding for 2022				
 Salaries and benefits adjustments - 2021 included partial year cost for 2 new positions added mid-year, 2022 includes full-year costing of those positions 	198,872	-	-	
 New or reelected Assembly member pay increase, per Commission on Salaries and Emoluments of Elected Officials Resolution 2019-2 as Amended 	172,557	-	-	
 Voter Approved add one (1) new Assembly member to start April 2022 per 2021 Proposition 12, AO 2019-82: increase assembly members by 1 from 11 to 12, with 2 in each of the six election districts 	63,336	1	-	
2022 Continuation Level	5,459,474	30	1	
2022 Proposed Budget Changes				
- None	-	-	-	
2022 Proposed Budget	5,459,474	30	1	

Assembly Division Summary ASM Assembly

(Fund Center # 101000, 101500)

	2020 Actuals	2021 Revised	2022 Proposed	22 v 21 % Chg
Direct Cost by Category				
Salaries and Benefits	761,972	1,152,677	1,551,583	34.61%
Supplies	6,144	3,722	3,722	-
Travel	5,410	13,810	19,790	43.30%
Contractual/Other Services	694,397	490,842	498,862	1.63%
Equipment, Furnishings	1,012	-	-	-
Manageable Direct Cost Total	1,468,934	1,661,051	2,073,957	24.86%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
Depreciation/Amortization	-	-	-	-
Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total	-	-	-	-
Direct Cost Total	1,468,934	1,661,051	2,073,957	-
Intragovernmental Charges				
Charges by/to Other Departments	853,255	850,523	838,312	(1.44%)
Function Cost Total	2,322,189	2,511,574	2,912,269	15.95%
Program Generated Revenue by Fund				
Fund 101000 - Areawide General	38	-	-	-
Program Generated Revenue Total	38	-	-	-
Net Cost Total	2,322,151	2,511,574	2,912,269	15.95%
Position Summary as Budgeted				
Full-Time	13	15	16	6.67%
Position Total	13	15	16	6.67%

Assembly Division Detail ASM Assembly

(Fund Center # 101000, 101500)

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Direct Cost by Category								
Salaries and Benefits		76	61,97	72 1,	152,677	1,	,551,583	34.61%
Supplies			6,14	44	3,722		3,722	-
Travel			5,4	10	13,810		19,790	43.30%
Contractual/Other Services		69	94,39	97 4	490,842		498,862	1.63%
Equipment, Furnishings			1,01	12	-		-	-
Manageable Direct Cost Total		1,40	68,93	34 1,0	661,051	2,	,073,957	24.86%
Debt Service				-	-		-	-
Non-Manageable Direct Cost Te	otal			-	-		-	-
Direct Cost Total		1,40	68,93	34 1,6	661,051	2,	,073,957	24.86%
Intragovernmental Charges								
Charges by/to Other Departments		8	53,28	55 850,523		838,312		(1.44%)
Program Generated Revenue								
408380 - Prior Year Expense Recove	ery		3	38	-	-		-
Program Generated Revenue Total			:	38	-	-		-
Net Cost								
1	Direct Cost Tot	al 1,46	68,93	34 1,6	661,051	2,073,957		24.86%
Charges by/to Other De	epartments Tot	al 8	53,28	255 850,523		838,312		(1.44%)
Program Generated	d Revenue Tot	al	(38) -		-		-	
Net Cost Total		2,32	2,15	51 2,5	11,574	2,9	912,269	15.95%
Position Detail as Budgeted								
	2020 Re	evised	2021 Revised		Revised	2022		oposed
	Full Time	Part Time	<u> </u>	<u>Full Time</u>	Part Time		Full Time	Part Time
Administrative Assistant	1	-		1	-		1	-
Assembly Chair	1	-		1	-		1	-
Assembly Counsel	1	-		2	-	İİ	2	-

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Assembly Member

Special Assistant to the Assembly

Position Detail as Budgeted Total

Assembly Division Summary ASM Municipal Clerk

(Fund Center # 102006, 102100, 102079, 102000, 102007, 102003, 102008)

	2020 Actuals	2021 Revised	2022 Proposed	22 v 21 % Chg
Direct Cost by Category				
Salaries and Benefits	1,312,689	1,508,449	1,516,675	0.55%
Supplies	21,678	8,500	8,500	-
Travel	2,894	8,250	8,250	-
Contractual/Other Services	1,374,073	1,885,284	1,520,284	(19.36%)
Equipment, Furnishings	4,081	-	-	-
Manageable Direct Cost Total	2,715,416	3,410,483	3,053,709	(10.46%)
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
Depreciation/Amortization	-	-	-	-
Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total	-	-	-	-
Direct Cost Total	2,715,416	3,410,483	3,053,709	-
Intragovernmental Charges				
Charges by/to Other Departments	269,863	109,793	94,378	(14.04%)
Function Cost Total	2,985,279	3,520,276	3,148,087	(10.57%)
Program Generated Revenue by Fund				
Fund 101000 - Areawide General	54,454	60,650	60,650	-
Program Generated Revenue Total	54,454	60,650	60,650	-
Net Cost Total	2,930,825	3,459,626	3,087,437	(10.76%)
Position Summary as Budgeted				
Full-Time	16	16	16	-
Position Total	16	16	16	-
	Full-Time budget	od position countr	aro	

Full-Time budgeted position counts are:2020: 122021: 122022: 12due to 4 positions being budgeted in two fund centers

Assembly Division Detail

ASM Municipal Clerk

(Fund Center # 102006, 102100, 102079, 102000, 102007, 102003, 102008)

	2020 Actuals	2021 Revised	2022 Proposed	22 v 21 % Chg
Direct Cost by Category				
Salaries and Benefits	1,312,689	1,508,449	1,516,675	0.55%
Supplies	21,678	8,500	8,500	-
Travel	2,894	8,250	8,250	-
Contractual/Other Services	1,374,073	1,885,284	1,520,284	(19.36%)
Equipment, Furnishings	4,081	-	-	-
— Manageable Direct Cost Total	2,715,416	3,410,483	3,053,709	(10.46%)
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
— Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total	-	-	-	-
Direct Cost Total	2,715,416	3,410,483	3,053,709	(10.46%)
Intragovernmental Charges				
Charges by/to Other Departments	269,863	109,793	94,378	(14.04%)
Program Generated Revenue				
404060 - Local Business Licenses	15,245	18,000	18,000	-
404075 - Marijuana Licensing Fees	22,400	41,000	41,000	-
406580 - Copier Fees	1,880	100	100	-
406625 - Reimbursed Cost-NonGrant Funded	200	50	50	-
408380 - Prior Year Expense Recovery	52	-	-	-
408560 - Appeal Receipts	3,240	1,000	1,000	-
408580 - Miscellaneous Revenues	11,437	500	500	-
Program Generated Revenue Total	54,454	60,650	60,650	-
Net Cost				
Direct Cost Total	2,715,416	3,410,483	3,053,709	(10.46%)
Charges by/to Other Departments Total	269,863	109,793	94,378	(14.04%)
Program Generated Revenue Total	(54,454)	(60,650)	(60,650)	-
Net Cost Total	2,930,825	3,459,626	3,087,437	(10.76%)

Position Detail as Budgeted

	2020 Revised		2021 Revised			2022 Proposed		
	Full Time	Part Time		Full Time	Part Time		Full Time	Part Time
Administrative Assistant	10	-		10	-		10	-
Deputy Municipal Clerk	3	-		3	-		3	-
Election Coordinator	1	-		1	-		1	-
Junior Admin Officer	1	-		1	-		1	-
Municipal Clerk	1	-		1	-		1	-
Position Detail as Budgeted Total	16	-		16	-		16	-

Full-Time budgeted Adminitrative Assistant position counts are:2020: 62021: 62022: 6due to 4 positions being budgeted in two fund centers

Assembly Division Summary ASM Ombudsman

(Fund Center # 103079, 103000)

	2020 Actuals	2021 Revised	2022 Proposed	22 v 21 % Chg
Direct Cost by Category				
Salaries and Benefits	246,834	298,349	325,982	9.26%
Supplies	1,773	500	500	-
Travel	-	-	-	-
Contractual/Other Services	7,133	5,326	5,326	-
Equipment, Furnishings	1,564	-	-	-
Manageable Direct Cost Total	257,304	304,175	331,808	9.08%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total	-	-	-	-
Direct Cost Total	257,304	304,175	331,808	-
Intragovernmental Charges				
Charges by/to Other Departments	(150,400)	(175,879)	(193,013)	9.74%
Function Cost Total	106,904	128,296	138,795	8.18%
Program Generated Revenue by Fund				
Fund 101000 - Areawide General	16	-	-	-
Program Generated Revenue Total	16	-	-	-
Net Cost Total	106,888	128,296	138,795	8.18%
Position Summary as Budgeted				
Full-Time	2	2	2	-
Part-Time	1	1	1	-
Position Total	3	3	3	-

Assembly Division Detail ASM Ombudsman

(Fund Center # 103079, 103000)

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Direct Cost by Category								
Salaries and Benefits		24	46,8	334 2	298,349		325,982	9.26%
Supplies			1,7	773	500		500	-
Travel				-	-		-	-
Contractual/Other Services			7,1	133	5,326		5,326	-
Equipment, Furnishings			1,5	564	-		-	-
Manageable Direct Cost Total		25	57,3	304 3	304,175		331,808	9.08%
Debt Service				-	-		-	-
Non-Manageable Direct Cost Te	otal			-	-		-	-
Direct Cost Total		25	57,3	304 3	304,175		331,808	9.08%
Intragovernmental Charges								
Charges by/to Other Departments		(15	0,4	00) (1	75,879)	(193,013)	9.74%
Program Generated Revenue								
408380 - Prior Year Expense Recove	ery			16	-		-	-
Program Generated Revenue Total				16	-		-	-
Net Cost								
ſ	Direct Cost Tot	al 25	57,3	304 3	304,175		331,808	9.08%
Charges by/to Other De	epartments Tot	al (15	(150,400)		(175,879)		193,013)	9.74%
Program Generated	d Revenue Tot	al	(16)	-		-	-
Net Cost Total		10	6,8	888 1	28,296		138,795	8.18%
Position Detail as Budgeted								
2020 Revis		evised		2021 R	levised		2022 Pr	oposed
	Full Time	Part Time		<u>Full Time</u>	Part Time		Full Time	Part Time
Associate Ombudsman	1	-		1	-		1	-
Deputy Ombudsman		1		-	1		-	1
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Position Detail as Budgeted Total

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