# PROPOSITION NO. 12 CHARTER AMENDMENT TO REQUIRE 12 ASSEMBLY MEMBERS AND 2 MEMBERS FOR EACH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

This proposition would amend the Anchorage Municipal Charter sections 4.01 and 4.04, as follows (<u>underlined and bolded words</u> are proposed new words; [strikeouts in bold] are proposed deletions):

#### Section 4.01. - Power, composition and apportionment.

The legislative power of Anchorage is vested in an assembly of 12 [44] members. There shall be six e[E]lection districts; each [;#-established,] shall have two assembly members, and they shall be formed of compact and contiguous territory containing as nearly as practicable a relatively integrated socioeconomic area. ...

## Section 4.04. - Presiding officer, meetings and procedures.

(e) <u>Seven</u> [Six] members of the assembly shall constitute a quorum; however, a smaller number may recess from time to time and compel the attendance of absent members as prescribed by assembly rule.

If approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question at the April 7, 2020 Regular Election, the amendments to the Charter above shall be effective upon the adoption of a final state redistricting plan by the Redistricting Board of the State of Alaska following the official reporting of the 2020 Census of the United States, and applicable to the next reapportionment of the Assembly per Charter § 4.01.

Shall the Anchorage Municipal Charter be amended as set forth above? (AO 2019-82)

YES

O NO

# PROPOSITION NO. 13 CHARTER AMENDMENT

#### RETAIL SALES TAX ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OF 5% DEDICATING THE REVENUE TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH PURPOSES

This proposition would amend the Anchorage Municipal Charter by adding a new section 14.07 to read as follows:

#### Section 14.07 Alcoholic beverages retail sales tax.

(a) Tax levy and effective date:

The assembly is hereby authorized to levy a five percent (5%) tax on all retail sales of alcoholic beverages. The tax levy shall be effective February 1, 2021.

(b) Dedication of proceeds:

The net receipts from the alcoholic beverages retail sales tax, after payment of the costs of administration, collection and audit to the municipality, are dedicated and shall be available to use only for:

- Funding for police, related criminal justice personnel, and first responders;
- (2) Funding to combat and address child abuse, sexual assault, and domestic violence; and
- (3) Funding for substance misuse treatment, prevention programs, detoxification or long-term addiction recovery facilities, mental and behavioral health programs, and resources to prevent and address Anchorage's homelessness crisis.
- (c) No increase of the alcoholic beverages retail sales tax above five percent (5%) or change of the use of its proceeds may be made without approval of the majority of qualified voters voting on the question.
- (d) At least 120 days before the end of the fiscal year of the municipality and at such other times as the assembly directs, the mayor shall submit to the assembly a report of the tax revenues collected and expended. The report of expenses shall be itemized by each authorized use or purpose and presented to the public.
- (e) The net receipts described in subsection (b) shall not be used to supplant funding for existing service levels contained in the actual operating budget for fiscal year 2020 and the funding to provide for and maintain that level of service in subsequent years. The dedicated net receipts shall only be used to provide additional service levels above the 2020 baseline.

And by amending Anchorage Municipal Charter, Article II (4), and Charter §14.01(b) as follows (underlined and bolded words are proposed new words; [strikeouts in bold] are proposed deletions):

#### ARTICLE II BILL OF RIGHTS

This Charter guarantees rights to the people of Anchorage that are in addition to rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of Alaska. Among rights guaranteed by this Charter are:

(4) The right of immunity from sales taxes, except upon approval by three-fifths (3/5) of the qualified voters voting on the question, except the taxes imposed by Charter § [Section] 14.05 and § 14.07 shall be effective if approved by a majority (50 percent + one) of the qualified voters voting on the question.

### Section 14.01 Taxing Authority

(b) Unless otherwise provided in this Charter, no sales tax ordinance is valid until ratified by three-fifths (3/5) of those voting on the question at a regular or special election, except the taxes imposed by Charter § 14.05 and § 14.07 shall be effective if approved by a majority (50%+ one) of the qualified voters voting on the question.

If approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question at the April 7, 2020 Regular Election, the amendments to the Charter above shall be effective upon certification of the election.

Shall the Anchorage Municipal Charter be amended as set forth above, and the 5% retail sales tax on alcoholic beverages be approved? (AO 2019-148(S-1), As Amended)

YES

O NO



