

Proposed Amendment to AO 2026-62(S)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 4.50 TO ENACT A NEW SECTION 4.50.120 AND ESTABLISH THE ANCHORAGE PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERSHIP COMMISSION.

Submitted by: Assembly Chair Brawley

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: This amendment adds a subsection regarding the sunset and reauthorization of the Commission, following the format of all other boards and commissions in Title 4. In the Code section for each board and commission in Title 4 the last subsection states the termination date (on a 3-year cycle consistent with AMC 4.05.150) or that the sunset section does not apply to that board/commission. Since the APSC is new, having a sunset audit and reauthorization provides the Assembly a fixed time to review how it has functioned in its first couple years.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and ~~[Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code]~~)

AO Section 1, p. 9, at line 1, amending as follows:

G. This commission shall terminate on October 14, 2029, unless affirmatively continued by the assembly in accordance with section 4.05.150.

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment? ☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) If yes, please detail below.
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Proposed Amendment #2 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Members Goecker, Johnson and Handeland

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: This amendment will require at least one seat for a person who was a victim of a crime, to give representation. The designated seat requires the appointee to fall under the definition of “victim” in state statute, which the Alaska Office of Victims’ Rights also uses to qualify persons to receive their services. The definition is broad and includes the victim’s immediate family when the victim is a minor, incompetent, incapacitated, or deceased. The definition reads:

(19) “victim” means

- (A) a person against whom an offense has been perpetrated;
- (B) one of the following, not the perpetrator, if the person specified in (A) of this paragraph is a minor, incompetent, or incapacitated:
 - (i) an individual living in a spousal relationship with the person specified in (A) of this paragraph; or
 - (ii) a parent, adult child, guardian, or custodian of the person;
- (C) one of the following, not the perpetrator, if the person specified in (A) of this paragraph is dead:
 - (i) a person living in a spousal relationship with the deceased before the deceased died;
 - (ii) an adult child, parent, brother, sister, grandparent, or grandchild of the deceased; or
 - (iii) any other interested person, as may be designated by a person having authority in law to do so.

The qualifications use the above, incorporated by reference, and add an additional qualifier: that the crime the appointee was a victim of must be a crime against a person in AS chapter 11.41, *Offenses Against the Person*, which includes crimes of homicide, assault, reckless endangerment, kidnapping, custodial interference, human trafficking, sexual offenses, robbery, extortion, and coercion.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code])

AO Section 1, p. 4, beginning at line 23, amending to add a new subsection to read as follows:

- ii. Subject matter experts in fields of study relevant to the purpose of the commission; ~~[and]~~
- iii. Behavioral or mental health care professionals; and
- iv. A seat designated for a person who was a victim of a crime. The person must meet the definition of "victim" in state statute, AS 12.55.185(19), and be the victim of a crime against a person set out in AS chapter 11.41.

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) **If yes, please detail below.**

No

Proposed Amendment #3 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Members Goecker, Johnson and Handeland

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: This amendment changes the limitation of no more than 3 members having a public safety employment background to designating 2 seats for persons (or their immediate family members) with a police department background, and a restriction that no more than 4 seats can be filled with individuals with public safety employment backgrounds, including in fire, health, emergency management, prosecution, or law enforcement.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code])

AO(S) Section 1, p. 4, beginning at line 23, amending and adding a subsection as follows:

- ii. Subject matter experts in fields of study relevant to the purpose of the commission; ~~and~~
 - iii. Behavioral or mental health care professionals; and
 - iv. Two seats designated for persons previously employed by, or an immediate family member of a person previously employed by, a police department in any jurisdiction. The terms of these designated seats shall be staggered.
- b. The nine community commissioners ~~[total composition of the commission]~~ shall be subject to the following restrictions:
- i. No more than four ~~[three]~~ members may have been previously employed by the police department, fire department, office of emergency operations management, or department of law in any jurisdiction, or be the immediate family member of anyone employed by these departments in any jurisdiction.

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) **If yes, please detail below.**

No

Proposed Amendment #4 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Members Goecker, Johnson and Handeland

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: This amendment will prohibit a person with a conviction of a felony or a violent crime from serving on the commission.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code])

AO(S) Section 1, p. 4, beginning at line 43, amending to add a new subparagraph as follows:

- iii. No person with a conviction for a felony or a violent crime may serve on this commission. For purposes of this section a “violent crime” is any of those incidents and offenses eligible for compensation by the Alaska Violent Crimes Compensation Board under AS 18.67.101(2).*

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment?
☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) **If yes, please detail below.**

No

Proposed Amendment #5 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Member Scout

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: This amendment changes the prohibition on conducting independent investigations to one of the authorized activities of the Commission, however still subject to the limitations in subsec. D.6., including prohibition on police active investigations. It also includes authority to use the subpoena power.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and ~~[Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code]~~)

AO(S) Section 1, p. 7, beginning at line 41, amending as follows:

5. *Authority.* To accomplish its duties, the commission, upon establishing a quorum, shall have authority to:
 - a. Request and receive briefings from departments;
 - b. Convene public hearings and receive testimony on subjects within the scope of its purpose; ~~and~~
 - c. Access any file releasable as a public record under subsection 3.90.040C. Requests for records shall be in the form of a resolution approved by a majority of the commissioners;
 - d. *Conduct independent investigations on subjects within the scope of the commission's purpose and authority; and*
 - e. *Subject to the privileges recognized by the courts of this state, with the approval of a majority of the commissioners, compel by subpoena the attendance of persons and the production of testimony or records in an inquiry, investigation, hearing or proceeding before the commission on subjects within the scope of the commission's purpose and authority.*

6. *Limitations.* All powers and duties of the commission are conveyed to the body as a whole, and not to the individual commissioners. Nothing in this section shall be construed to provide the following authority to the commission:
- a. Engage with or seek information regarding active investigations, in order to preserve investigative integrity and protect the rights of all involved parties ~~[Interfere with or in any way participate in active law enforcement investigations];~~
 - b. ~~[Conduct independent investigations;]~~
 - ~~[c.]~~ Participate in or influence personnel disciplinary decisions, which remain the exclusive responsibility of department leadership ~~[Make disciplinary decisions or recommendations];~~
 - ~~c[d].~~ Engage or interject in collective bargaining negotiations; or
 - ~~d[e].~~ Access personnel records not otherwise permitted by law.

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment? ☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) If yes, please detail below.
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No

Proposed Amendment #6 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Member Scout

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: This amendment changes the assigned staff support for the commission to the Office of Equity and Inclusion.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code])

AO(S) Section 1, p. 6, beginning at line 32, amending as follows:

C. **Staff Support.**

- 1. Support.** The commission shall receive administrative and staff support from the office of equity and inclusion ~~police department~~.

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) If yes, please detail below.

No

Proposed Amendment #7 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Member Scout

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: This amendment provides the new Commission with broader access to municipal records, allowing them to receive confidential and privileged documents or records under conditions that protect that status and mitigate risks of inadvertent disclosure, as recommended by the Municipal Attorney.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code])

AO(S) Section 1, p. 7, beginning at line 41, amending as follows:

5. *Authority.* To accomplish its duties, the commission, upon establishing a quorum, shall have authority to:
 - a. Request and receive briefings from departments;
 - b. Convene public hearings and receive testimony on subjects within the scope of its purpose; and
 - c. Access any ~~file releasable as a~~ public record of the municipality, including records exempt from public disclosure under subsection 3.90.040[G]. Records not releasable to the public under that section or due to the confidential or privileged status recognized by the courts of this state for such records may only be reviewed by the commission under circumstances that preserve and protect such status, in consultation with the municipal attorney. Requests for records shall be in the form of a resolution approved by a majority of the commissioners.

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) **If yes, please detail below.**

No

Proposed Amendment #8 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Members Silvers & Johnson

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: The proposed amendment returns commission support to a rotational model among OEM, APD, and AFD, as proposed in the original ordinance.

Given that this is a public safety partnership commission, it is also more appropriate for all three agencies to share responsibility for support. Public safety extends beyond law enforcement alone, and a multi-agency approach better reflects the commission's purpose and scope.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [~~Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code~~])

AO Section 1, p. 6, at line 29, amending as follows:

C. Staff Support.

1. Support. The commission shall receive administrative and staff support on a rotating basis from:

a. The police department;

b. The fire department; and

c. The office of emergency management.

This support shall rotate every six months, with each change in responsibility reported to the assembly in the form of a memorandum. [~~from the police department.~~]

2. Legal counsel. . . .

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) If yes, please detail below.

Proposed Amendment #9 to AO 2026-62(S)

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Submitted by: Assembly Member Silvers

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: The proposed amendment provides a position as a voting member of the community for a current patrol officer or non-management member of APD or AFD. This appointment would not count toward the three-commissioner cap on members with previous public safety employment experience and would obviously be exempt from the general prohibition on Community Commissioners being currently employed by the Municipality.

Both the original and substitute versions of the ordinance place significant importance on ensuring broad representation of the community. The amendment is intended to address a gap in representation owing to the complete absence of any member who can speak to and represent the viewpoint of a public safety officer on the street.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO or AO(S) that are not in current code])

AO Section 1, p. 4, at line 27, amending as follows:

- b. One of the nine community commissioners shall be a current employee of either the Anchorage police department, in the rank of sergeant or below, or the Anchorage fire department, in the rank of lieutenant or below. Service as a commissioner is entirely voluntary, and this requirement may be waived if a qualified and willing candidate cannot be identified.
- c. Except as otherwise provided in subsections a. and b. above, ~~t[7]~~he **nine community commissioners** **[total composition of the commission]** shall be subject to the following restrictions:
 - i. No more than three members may have been previously employed by the police department, fire department, office of emergency operations management, or department of law, in any jurisdiction, or be the immediate family member of

anyone employed by these departments in any jurisdiction.

- ii. No member may be a current employee or immediate family member of a current employee of the Municipality of Anchorage ~~[may serve as a voting commissioner]~~.

Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment? ☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) If yes, please detail below.
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Proposed Amendment # 10 to AO 2026-62(S-1)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 4.50 TO ENACT A NEW SECTION 4.50.120 AND ESTABLISH THE ANCHORAGE PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERSHIP COMMISSION.

Submitted by: Assembly Members Brawley and Perez-Verdia

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Purpose/Summary of Amendment: The purpose of the amendment is to establish an explicit relationship between the new Commission and the Ombudsman's Office. The Ombudsman's Office would provide another source of information for the Commission on the issues and trends arising in the community, or broader observations of issues with quarterly updates that will help the Commission's work and formulating recommendations to the Administration and Assembly.

TEXT OF AMENDMENT

(adding new language, [DELETING CURRENT CODE LANGUAGE] and [~~Deleting words proposed by the unamended AO that are not in current code~~])

AO Section 1, p. 6, at lines 8, amending as follows:

C. Administrative support.

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- 3. The municipal ombudsman's office shall provide a quarterly update to the commission regarding trends, systemic issues, completed investigations, and other information the ombudsman determines appropriate, for the purpose of informing the commission's discussions and recommendations related to public safety systems and practices.**

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Will there be any public or private economic effect to the proposed amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO (check one) If yes, please detail below.