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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AO NO. 2001-160

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 2 REAPPORTIONING
AND ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER AND NATURE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION DISTRICTS.

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

WHEREAS Anchorage Municipal Charter §4.01 provides in pertinent part as follows:

Election districts, if established, shall be formed of compact and contiguous territory containing as nearly as practicable a relatively integrated socioeconomic area. The assembly shall be reapportioned whenever it becomes malapportioned.

and

WHEREAS Anchorage Municipal Code subsection 2.25.010B. provides:

The geographic boundaries of the districts established in this section are described on the copy of the official assembly apportionment map following this section. The original of this map is maintained in the office of the municipal clerk.

and

WHEREAS the federal decennial census reveals a total population of 260,283, thereby establishing the "ideal" number of persons for each election district to be 23,662 (with a two member district "ideal" being 47,324); and

WHEREAS, a 5% deviation (more or less) from the ideal is within the constitutionally mandated parameters; and

WHEREAS, under AR 2001-119, the Assembly declared itself malapportioned on April 17, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the new boundaries established by this ordinance are substantially the same as the historical and current election district boundaries, except to accommodate the anticipated changes in the State voting precinct boundaries or make minor adjustments to minimize deviation from the ideal distribution of population among the districts; and

WHEREAS, the overriding purpose and goal of providing election districts which further the concept of one person/one vote is therein achieved; now therefore,

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code subsection 2.25.010A. is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.25.010 Election districts.

A. There are established ten [SIX] election districts, each of which is entitled to the following number of assembly members:

1. District 1 "Hillside" [(DOWNTOWN)], one member.
2. District 2 "Coastal" [(EAGLE RIVER/CHUGIAK /NORTH MT. VIEW),] one member [TWO MEMBERS].
3. District 3 "Sand Lake" [(NAME [SPENARD])], one member [TWO MEMBERS].
4. District 4 "West Anchorage" [(NAME [FAIRVIEW])], one member [TWO MEMBERS].
5. District 5 "Lake Otis" [(NAME [MULDOON])], one member [TWO MEMBERS].
6. District 6 "Midtown" [(NAME [SAND LAKE/HILLSIDE])], one member [TWO MEMBERS].
7. District 7 "Downtown", one member.
8. District 8 "Tudor", one member.
9. District 9 "Northeast", one member.
10. District 10 "Eagle River/Chugiak", two members.

(AO No. 81-37; AO No. 81-76; AO No. 85-77; AO No. 86-11; AO No. 88-76; AO No. 91-20; AO No. 91-182)

Section 2. Anchorage Municipal Code subsection 2.25.010B. is hereby amended to re-establish the geographic boundaries of Assembly election districts by adopting the official Assembly Apportionment Map attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this _____ day of _____, 2001

Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk