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Department of Law
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5 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
6 AO NO. 2001-181(S)
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9 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SUBSECTION 28.40.010D.
10 AND REPEALING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 28.40.040 TO CLARIFY
11 AND SIMPLIFY BALLOT LANGUAGE AND CONTENT AND TO FACILITATE THE USE
12 OF NEW ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES
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15 THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

16 Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code section 28.40.040 is hereby repealed and subsection
17 28.40.010D. is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 28.40.010 Form of Ballots
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20 D. The propositions to be voted on shall follow the candidates for office or shall
21 be on separate ballots, as the municipal clerk may determine. Subject to
22 subsection A. of this section, ballots for propositions to be voted on shall
23 contain only the question posed by the proposition without explanation
24 preceded by an objectively stated, informative caption or title for the
25 proposition. The words "yes" and "no" shall appear below each proposition.

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27 1 Notwithstanding subsection D. of this section, ballot propositions
28 relating to capital projects may contain additional information if:

- 29 a. Such additional information is required by section 6.10.035
30 relating to operation and maintenance costs of the capital
31 improvement; or
32 b. The inclusion of such additional information is required under
33 Alaska Statutes 14.11.100 or its successors in order to qualify
34 for financial assistance for school construction projects from any
35 source and for which the Municipality is or may be in the future
36 eligible; or
37 c. Bond ocunsel determines that such additional information is
38 required under State or federal law or necessary to enable the
39 Municipality to market its bonds on terms desired by the
40 Municipality.
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28.40.040 [PROPOSITION SUMMARY]

[A. FOR ALL MUNICIPAL PROPOSITIONS OVER 100 WORDS, INCLUDING PROPOSITIONS SUBMITTED BY VOTER INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM, THE MUNICIPAL CLERK, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY, SHALL PLACE ON THE BALLOT FOLLOWING THE TITLE OF EACH PROPOSITION, A TRUE, IMPARTIAL AND CONCISE SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSITION NOT EXCEEDING 100 WORDS AND IDENTIFIED AS A SUMMARY. THE SUMMARY SHALL USE SHORT, DIRECT SENTENCES AND SIMPLE LANGUAGE OF COMMON UNDERSTANDING.

[1 NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION A. OF THIS SECTION, BALLOT PROPOSITIONS APPROVING ANY CREATION, RESCISSION OR ALTERATION IN TERMS, PURPOSES OR USES OF MUNICIPAL BONDED DEBT, SHALL COMPLY WITH THIS SECTION ONLY TO THE EXTENT APPROVED BY MUNICIPAL BOND COUNSEL FOR THE SUBJECT DEBT.

[B UNLESS EXPLICITLY DECLARED OTHERWISE BY THE ORDINANCE, INITIATIVE OR REFERENDUM APPROVING THE BALLOT PROPOSITION AND WHENEVER AN ORDINANCE DIRECTS THE SUBMISSION OF A BALLOT PROPOSITION UTILIZING THE DIRECTION "IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM" OR SIMILAR WORDS TO THAT EFFECT, THE MUNICIPAL CLERK SHALL NOT BE LIMITED, RESTRICTED OR PREVENTED THEREBY FROM IMPLEMENTING SUBSECTION A. OF THIS SECTION.]
(AO No. 96-159(S), § 1, 1-14-97)

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval of the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 8th day of January, 2002.


Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST


Municipal Clerk.