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Submitted by: Assembly member Kendall
Prepared by: Department of Law
For reading: September 10, 2002

6 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
7 AO NO. 2002- 143

8 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SUBSECTION 2.30.030A.
9 TO REQUIRE ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY BE HELD AT THE ASSEMBLY
10 CHAMBERS UNLESS THERE IS AN EMERGENCY OR UNAVAILABILITY OF SPACE; AND
11 TO REQUIRE ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY HELD AT THE ASSEMBLY
12 CHAMBERS BE TELEVISED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

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14 THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

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16 Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code subsection 2.30.030A. is hereby amended to read as
17 follows: *(the remainder of the section is not affected and therefore not set out.)*

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19 2.30.030 Meetings.

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21 A. Regular, special and informal meetings, work session meetings, and all assembly
22 committee meetings shall be held at the Assembly Chambers, 3600 Denali Street,
23 unless otherwise designated by the assembly due to emergency or unavailability of the
24 space. Regular meetings of the assembly shall be held on each Tuesday of each month
25 at 5:00 p.m. [AT THE ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS, 3600 DENALI STREET,
26 UNLESS OTHERWISE DESIGNATED BY THE ASSEMBLY]. All [REGULAR
27 AND SPECIAL] meetings [AND ALL WORK SESSIONS] shall be public meetings,
28 [AND] shall be electronically recorded, and shall be televised if held at 3600 Denali
29 Street. The electronic recordings of work sessions shall be retained for five years.

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31 1. For purposes of this section, *meeting* shall have the meaning provided in
32 Alaska Statutes 44.62.310.

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35 (AO No. 13-75; AO No. 61-75; AO No. 242-76; AO No. 78-49; AO No. 79-137; AO No. 82-
36 140; AO No. 83-120(S); AO No. 83-211; AO No. 84-55; AO No. 84-86; AO No. 84-224;
37 AO No. 84-249; AO No. 85-15(S); AO No. 85-54; AO No. 86-62; AO No. 86-151; AO No.
38 87-12; AO No. 88-164; AO No. 89-15, 4-1-89; AO No. 90-154(S); AO No. 91-25; AO No.
39 91-178(S); AO No. 92-107(S); AO No. 94-76, § 1, 5-3-94; AO No. 94-132(S), § 4, 8-25-94;
40 AO No. 94-177(S), § 1, 10-27-94; AO No. 95-130, § 1, 6-6-95; AO No. 95-83(S-1), §§ 1--3,
41 1-9-96; AO No. 96-22, § 3, 2-6-96; AO No. 96-92, § 1, 6-25-96; AO No. 97-19, § 2, 2-11-
42 97; AO No. 98-161, § 1, 10-20-98; AO No. 2000-121, § 1, 8-15-00)

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this _____ day of _____, 2002.

Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

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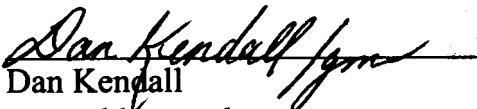
Meeting Date: September 24, 2002

From: Assembly member Kendall

Subject: AO 2002-143; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SUBSECTION 2.30.030A. TO REQUIRE ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY BE HELD AT THE ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS UNLESS THERE IS AN EMERGENCY OR UNAVAILABILITY OF SPACE; AND TO REQUIRE ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY HELD AT THE ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS BE TELEVISED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

The importance and influence that certain meetings, especially work sessions, have on the Assembly and its members in gathering information and informing the members' opinions has grown over the years. The reasons for this include the volume and quality of information that such meetings generate, as well as the ability of the assembly members to focus on a single issue at these meetings, with municipal staff readily available to answer questions as they come up. However, the general public suffers since most individuals cannot take time off from work or easily make it to City Hall to attend these meetings, especially citizens living or working in or near Eagle River or Girdwood. By conducting these meetings at the Loussac Library more of the general public can attend, since the library is centrally located with ample free parking. More importantly, by televising these meetings, the general public can watch the meetings at their convenience. The general public would also have access to a video library of work sessions and similar meetings. Through television, the general public would get to see in full color and sound many of the exhibits and similar presentations. The general public would also get to see first hand how the Assembly conducts its business outside the regular Tuesday night meetings.

Respectfully submitted:


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Assembly member