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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AO No. 2004- 97

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 4.60.220 TO  
RENAME THE COMMISSION, REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO ELEVEN,  
REQUIRE FOUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY LIAISONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

**Section 1.** Anchorage Municipal Code section 4.60.220 is amended to read *(the remainder of the section is not affected and therefore not set out)*:

**4.60.220**      **Municipal military and veterans affairs commission.**

- A. There is established a municipal military and veterans affairs commission consisting of not more than 11 [15] members. Members shall be honorably discharged United States military veterans, [OR ACTIVE] reserve or National Guard members not covered by 10 U.S.C. § 973(b)(1), with a demonstrated interest in veterans affairs. All members shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the assembly. Members initially appointed shall serve one-year terms. The Mayor shall invite four active duty military liaisons to the Commission. The participation of these liaisons does not constitute the holding of civil office, nor shall they exercise any sovereign power of the Municipality. An active duty military liaison is not entitled to vote on any question to be determined by the board or commission nor is a liaison a member for the purpose of establishing a quorum of the commission. The mayor shall consult with and ask the [COMMANDERS OF THE] Alaska[N] [AIR] Command Commander to appoint three active duty military liaisons, and the Adjutant General of the Alaska National Guard to appoint one active duty National Guard liaison to the commission [SIXTH INFANTRY DIVISION (LIGHT) SHALL BE ASKED TO APPOINT A MEMBER OF THEIR SERVICE TO ACT AS LIAISON TO THE COMMISSION].
- B. The commission shall:
1. Establish liaison between the municipal government and the active duty military and veterans' communities [COMMUNITY].
  2. Inform the mayor and the assembly of matters concerning the municipality's active duty military, veterans and their families.
  3. Undertake efforts to open and maintain channels of communication

with the active duty military and veterans communities [COMMUNITY] of the municipality and to periodically hold hearings on matters of importance to those communities [THAT COMMUNITY], the municipal government, and Anchorage [COMMUNITY] as a whole[, AND THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT].

4. Report at least annually to the mayor and the assembly on active duty military and veterans' issues.
5. In conjunction with the active duty military and veteran communities conduct various public relations activities to inform the citizens of the municipality of military and veterans' contributions to the community and to address problems involving active duty military and veterans in the Anchorage community.
6. Make recommendations to the mayor and the assembly for the adoption, change or repeal of municipal laws, rules, regulations, restrictions or other matters affecting the active duty military and veterans' communities [COMMUNITY].

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10. Provide advice and supervision for, and participate in, municipally sponsored military or veterans' conferences.
11. Coordinate with other boards and commissions dealing with active duty military and veterans' issues, when necessary.

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13. Not take the place of any member of the military, military organization, veteran or veteran organization by action or representation to the assembly.

[C. THE VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS TITLE SHALL TERMINATE BY OPERATION OF LAW ON JANUARY 17, 1999, UNLESS AFFIRMATIVELY REESTABLISHED OR CONTINUED BY THE ASSEMBLY. PRIOR TO THE TERMINATION, CONTINUATION OR REESTABLISHMENT OF ANY MUNICIPAL BOARD OR COMMISSION, THE ASSEMBLY SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING, RECEIVING TESTIMONY FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC, MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1                   THEREOF, AND IN SUCH HEARING THE BOARD OR COMMISSION  
2                   SHALL HAVE THE BURDEN OF DEMONSTRATING A PUBLIC NEED  
3                   FOR ITS CONTINUED EXISTENCE.]

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5                   (AO No. 88-32(S-1); AO No. 88-185; AO No. 89-1; AO No. 89-155; AO No. 93-3, expires  
6                   1-17-96; AO No. 95-224, § 1, expires 1-17-99; AO No. 99-6, § 1, expires 1-17-02; AO No.  
7                   2001-189, § 1, expires 1-17-05)

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9                   *State law references: Veterans affairs, AS 26.10.010 et seq.*

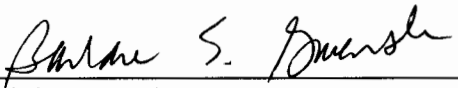
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11 **Section 2.**     The mayor shall reduce the number of members on Military and Veterans' Affairs  
12 Commission as established in Section 1 by appointing only four members in 2004, four members in  
13 2005, and three members in 2006. If convenience and circumstances require, the mayor may appoint  
14 three members in a different year than indicated in the previous sentence, and four members in the  
15 other two years.

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17 **Section 3.**     This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the  
18 Assembly.

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20 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2004.

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24                   Chair of the Assembly

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26 ATTEST:

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28                   Municipal Clerk  
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**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**Summary of Economic Effects -- General Government**

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Sponsor:

Department of Law

Preparing Agency:

Department of Law

Others Impacted:

N/A

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**CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES:**

(In Thousands of Dollars)

	<u>FY04</u>	<u>FY05</u>	<u>FY06</u>	<u>FY07</u>	<u>FY08</u>
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>					
1000 Personal Services					
2000 Non-Labor					
3900 Contributions					
4000 Debt Service					
<b>TOTAL DIRECT COSTS:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Add: 6000 Charges from Others					
Less: 7000 Charges to Others					
<b>FUNCTION COST:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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**CAPITAL:**

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**POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp**

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**PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

None.

**PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

None.

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**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM**

No. AM 466 -2004

Meeting Date: June 8, 2004

**From: Mayor Begich**

**Subject: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 4.60.220 TO RENAME THE COMMISSION, REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO ELEVEN, REQUIRE FOUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY LIAISONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

The Mayor wishes to acknowledge the importance of active duty military personnel and their contributions to the Municipality of Anchorage. In order to do so, this ordinance reconfigures the Veterans' Affairs Commission by adding a focus on active duty military. Section 1 of the ordinance achieves this by renaming the commission the "Military and Veterans Affairs Commission," and designating four seats for active duty military as liaisons. Because federal law prohibits active duty military from holding civil office and the Judge Advocate General's office has advised that participation as a commissioner may be considered the holding of "civil office" under 10 U.S.C. §973, the ordinance creates liaison seats for active duty military and National Guard personnel. The liaisons are not considered voting members and may not be counted for purposes of constituting a quorum. To maintain the number of persons involved in the commission at fifteen, the number of commissioners is reduced to eleven. The Mayor is to consult with the Alaskan Command Commander and the Adjutant General of the Alaska National Guard in selecting liaisons.

Other language amendments to AMC section 4.60.220 are intended to include the involvement and concerns of active duty military and Alaska National Guard members. In addition, subsection AMC subsection 4.60.220C. is deleted because it is outdated and a redundancy of the section on termination of a board or commission, AMC section 4.05.150.

Section 2 of the ordinance directs that the reduction in Veterans' Affairs Commissioners to eleven will be implemented over the next three appointment years by only appointing either three or four members for new terms. Each year, five commissioners' terms will expire but fewer will be appointed until 2006 when the total will be eleven after appointments that year.

1 THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO  
2 ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 4.60.220 REGARDING THE  
3 VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMISSION.  
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5 Prepared by: Frederick H. Boness, Municipal Attorney

6 Concur: Denis C. LeBlanc, Municipal Manager

7 Respectfully submitted: Mark Begich, Mayor  
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