

Legislative Branch

The Legislative Branch has four departments: **The Assembly: the Assembly Counsel's Office, the Municipal Clerk's Office, and the Ombudsman's Office.**

Anchorage Assembly

Description

The Anchorage Assembly is an eleven-member body, elected by the voters of the Municipality that serves as the legislative body of the municipal government. The Assembly is responsible for setting municipal policy through the enactment of laws (ordinances) and the adoption of resolutions. Each Assembly member is elected by district and serves a three-year term. The Assembly derives its powers from the 1975 Anchorage Home Rule Charter and operates under the Anchorage Municipal Code, the Anchorage Municipal Code of Regulations, and the Constitution of the State of Alaska and its laws.

Assembly Services

- Enacts all municipal laws and sets policies
- Establishes annual mill levies
- Appropriates annual and revised funding levels for all municipal departments including the Anchorage School District
- Provides fiscal oversight of all municipal departments
- Approves contracts over \$500,000 awarded through the competitive bid process and contracts for services over \$100,000, and sole source contracts over \$30,000
- Confirms all appointments to municipal boards and commissions, and other executive level staff
- Certifies municipal elections
- Evaluates the overall efficiency and effectiveness of municipal operations
- Listens to the concerns and suggestions of the people of the Municipality of Anchorage

Assembly Counsel's Office

Description

The Office of the Assembly Counsel provides legal advice to the Assembly and its individual members.

Assembly Counsel's Office Legislative Department Services

- Attends the regular and special meetings of the Assembly and committee meetings upon request
- Assists Assembly members with drafting ordinances, resolutions, memoranda, and other working documents; conducts research and provides opinions regarding legal issues in legislative, administrative, and quasi-judicial matters
- Assists the Municipal Clerk as directed by the Chair of the Assembly; provides training to the Board of Ethics; and serves as counsel to the Board of Adjustment

Municipal Clerk's Office

Description

The Municipal Clerk's Office serves as a liaison between the Anchorage Assembly, the Municipal Administration, and the public, linking the community with its local government. The

duties of the Municipal Clerk's Office include: (1) supporting the Anchorage Assembly and Assembly Boards, Commissions, and Committees, (2) conducting fair elections, (3) processing business licenses and coordinating review of liquor and marijuana licenses, (4) accurately managing the records created as a function of the Clerk's Office including: agendas, minutes, approved ordinances and resolutions, and other documents, and (5) providing budgetary assistance to the Assembly by conducting research and providing analyses of municipal budgetary/financial issues.

Municipal Clerk Office Legislative Department Services

- Provides administrative and logistical support to the Assembly, as well as to the Board of Ethics, the Board of Adjustment, the Board of Equalization, and the Salaries and Emoluments Commission
- Publishes the agenda and compiles the minutes of the all Assembly meetings
- Records all Assembly meetings and worksessions
- Provides public notice as required by law
- Manages Assembly records, including safeguarding and disseminating records for the Assembly, the Administration or the public
- Serves as custodian of the municipal seal and maintains and administers oaths of office for municipal officials
- Conducts municipal elections, including managing and updating the elections database, updating election materials; reviewing and verifying candidate qualifications; securing agreements with polling locations; updating election results and reporting results on election day; provides administrative and logistical support to the Election Commission to conduct the public canvass and report to the Assembly on certification of the election
- Processes business licenses and coordinates review of liquor and marijuana licenses, supporting public safety and land use policies as adopted by the Assembly
- Provides budgetary and program assistance to the Assembly by conducting and facilitating policy, program, and operations research, developing legislation, and providing analyses of municipal budgetary/financial issues
- Serves as a liaison between the Assembly, the Administration, and the public, assisting the public to navigate and follow the actions of local government

Ombudsman's Office

Description

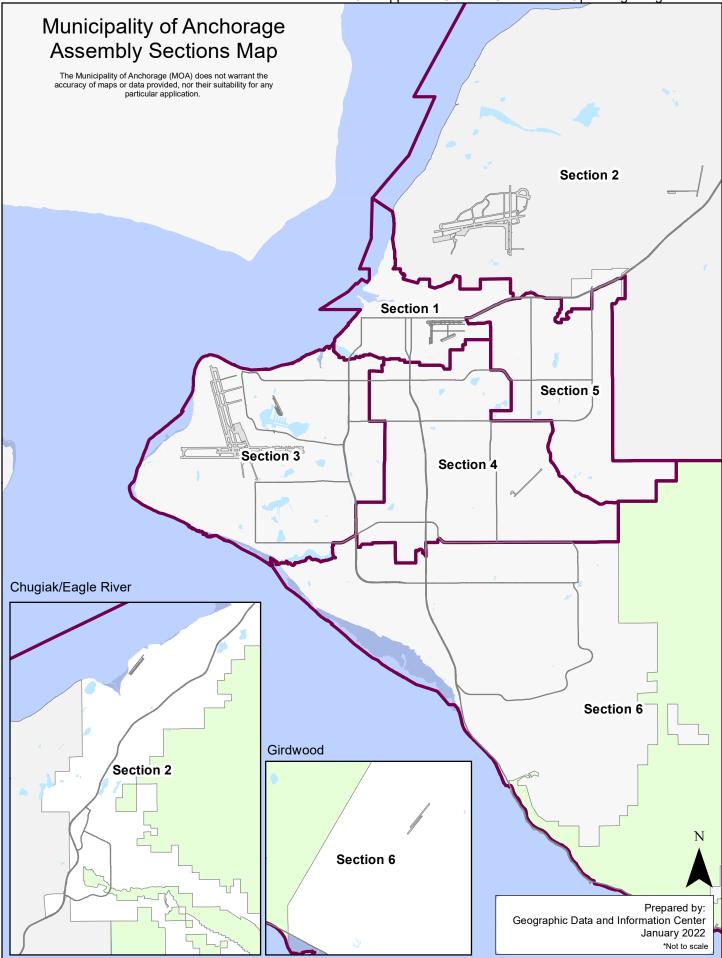
The Ombudsman's Office was established in addition to other remedies or rights of appeal, as an independent, impartial municipal office, readily available to the public and responsible to the Assembly. The Ombudsman's Office is empowered to investigate the acts of municipal agencies and the Anchorage School District, and to recommend appropriate changes toward the goals of safeguarding the rights of persons and of promoting higher standards of competency, efficiency, and equity in the provision of municipal services.

Ombudsman's Office Legislative Department Services

- Provides independent, impartial services to investigate the acts and omissions of municipal government.
- Advises the Assembly, the Mayor, and Municipal departments and agencies regarding fairness and equity in the provisions of Municipal services.
- Recommends changes to Municipal code, policies, and procedures in order to make process fairer and more equitable

• Provides referrals to the public regarding their concerns related to non-Municipal entities and persons

2022 Approved General Government Operating Budget



Assembly Department Summary

| | 2020 Actuals | 2021 Revised | 2022 Approved | 22 v 21 % Chg | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Direct Cost by Division | | | | | | | |
| ASM Assembly | 1,468,934 | 1,661,051 | 2,242,957 | 35.03% | | | |
| ASM Municipal Clerk | 2,715,416 | 3,410,483 | 3,104,709 | (8.97%) | | | |
| ASM Ombudsman | 257,304 | 304,175 | 341,808 | 12.37% | | | |
| Direct Cost Total | 4,441,654 | 5,375,709 | 5,689,474 | 5.84% | | | |
| Intragovernmental Charges | | | | | | | |
| Charges by/to Other Departments | 972,718 | 784,437 | 739,677 | (5.71%) | | | |
| Program Generated Revenue | (54,508) | (60,650) | (60,650) | - | | | |
| Function Cost Total | 5,414,372 | 6,160,146 | 6,429,151 | 4.37% | | | |
| Net Cost Total | 5,359,864 | 6,099,496 | 6,368,501 | 4.37% | | | |
| Direct Cost by Category | | | | | | | |
| Salaries and Benefits | 2,321,495 | 2,959,475 | 3,494,240 | 18.07% | | | |
| Supplies | 29,594 | 12,722 | 22,722 | 78.60% | | | |
| Travel | 8,304 | 22,060 | 28,040 | 27.11% | | | |
| Contractual/OtherServices | 2,075,603 | 2,381,452 | 2,144,472 | (9.95%) | | | |
| Debt Service | - | - | - | - | | | |
| Equipment, Furnishings | 6,658 | - | - | - | | | |
| Direct Cost Total | 4,441,654 | 5,375,709 | 5,689,474 | 5.84% | | | |
| Position Summary as Budgeted | | | | | | | |
| Full-Time | 31 | 33 | 35 | 6.06% | | | |
| Part-Time | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | | | |
| Position Total | 32 | 34 | 36 | 5.88% | | | |
| | Full-Time budgeted position counts are: | | | | | | |

Full-Time budgeted position counts are: 2020: 27 2021: 29 2022: 30

due to 4 positions being budgeted in two fund centers

Assembly Reconciliation from 2021 Revised Budget to 2022 Approved Budget

| | | Pos | sitions | 5 |
|---|--------------|-----|---------|-------|
| | Direct Costs | FT | РТ | Seas/ |
| 2021 Revised Budget | 5,375,709 | 29 | 1 | |
| 2021 One-Time Requirements | | | | |
| REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Assembly Amendment Constant #3 - fund mapping/documentation effort for restrictive platting and zoning covenants and restrictions with reductions to Assembly member Constant's individual account and Assembly travel | 20,000 | - | - | |
| REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Assembly Amendment Weddleton and LaFrance #2 - fund portion of public relations and media campaign to defend property rights along the Railbelt with reductions to Assembly member Weddleton's individual account and Development Services supplies budget | (15,000) | - | - | |
| REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Assembly Amendment Kennedy #1 - Add funding for Chugiak-Eagle River Senior Center with reduction of Assembly Member Kennedy's individual account and from the Anchorage Health Department | 9,000 | - | - | |
| - REVERSE 2021 1Q - ONE-TIME - Special Election - Mayoral Run-Off | (365,000) | - | - | |
| Changes in Existing Programs/Funding for 2022 | | | | |
| Salaries and benefits adjustments - 2021 included partial year cost for 2 new positions added mid-year, 2022 includes full-year costing of those positions | 198,872 | - | - | |
| New or reelected Assembly member pay increase, per Commission on Salaries and Emoluments of Elected Officials Resolution 2019-2 as Amended | 172,557 | - | - | |
| Voter Approved add one (1) new Assembly member to start April 2022 per 2020 Proposition 12, AO 2019-82: increase assembly members by 1 from 11 to 12, with 2 in each of the six election districts | 63,336 | 1 | - | |
| 2022 Continuation Level | 5,459,474 | 30 | 1 | |
| 2022 Assembly Amendments | | | | |
| Amendment #1, Line 4 - Dunbar and Quinn-Davidson - Contractual and professional services for Legislative Branch and add one (1) new Special Admin Assistant I position (2022ASMNEWAA) to total \$230K | 230,000 | 1 | - | |
| 2022 Approved Budget | 5,689,474 | 31 | 1 | |

Assembly Division Summary ASM Assembly

(Fund Center # 101000, 101500)

| | 2020 Actuals | 2021 Revised | 2022 Approved | 22 v 21 % Chg |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Direct Cost by Category | | | | |
| Salaries and Benefits | 761,972 | 1,152,677 | 1,651,583 | 43.28% |
| Supplies | 6,144 | 3,722 | 3,722 | - |
| Travel | 5,410 | 13,810 | 19,790 | 43.30% |
| Contractual/Other Services | 694,397 | 490,842 | 567,862 | 15.69% |
| Equipment, Furnishings | 1,012 | - | - | - |
| Manageable Direct Cost Total | 1,468,934 | 1,661,051 | 2,242,957 | 35.03% |
| Debt Service | - | - | - | - |
| Depreciation/Amortization | - | - | - | - |
| Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total | - | - | - | - |
| Direct Cost Total | 1,468,934 | 1,661,051 | 2,242,957 | - |
| Intragovernmental Charges | | | | |
| Charges by/to Other Departments | 853,255 | 850,523 | 838,312 | (1.44%) |
| Function Cost Total | 2,322,189 | 2,511,574 | 3,081,269 | 22.68% |
| Program Generated Revenue by Fund | | | | |
| Fund 101000 - Areawide General | 38 | - | - | - |
| Program Generated Revenue Total | 38 | - | - | - |
| Net Cost Total | 2,322,151 | 2,511,574 | 3,081,269 | 22.68% |
| Position Summary as Budgeted | | | | |
| Full-Time | 13 | 15 | 17 | 13.33% |
| Position Total | 13 | 15 | 17 | 13.33% |

Assembly Division Detail ASM Assembly

(Fund Center # 101000, 101500)

| Direct Cost by Category Salaries and Benefits | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Salaries and Benefits | | | | |
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| Direct Cost Total | 1,468,934 | 1,661,051 | 2,242,957 | 35.03% |
| Intragovernmental Charges | | | | |
| Charges by/to Other Departments | 853,255 | 850,523 | 838,312 | (1.44%) |
| Program Generated Revenue | | | | |
| 408380 - Prior Year Expense Recovery | 38 | - | - | - |
| Program Generated Revenue Total | 38 | - | - | - |
| Net Cost | | | | |
| Direct Cost Total | 1,468,934 | 1,661,051 | 2,242,957 | 35.03% |
| Charges by/to Other Departments Total | 853,255 | 850,523 | 838,312 | (1.44%) |
| Program Generated Revenue Total | (38) | - | - | - |
| – Net Cost Total | 2,322,151 | 2,511,574 | 3,081,269 | 22.68% |

| Position Detail as Budgeted Total | 13 | - | 1 | 5 - | | 17 | - |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------|----------------|--|------------------|-----------|
| Special Assistant to the Assembly | - | - | | I - | | 1 | - |
| Special Admin Assistant | - | - | - | · - | | 1 | - |
| Assembly Member | 10 | - | 1 | 0 - | | 11 | - |
| Assembly Counsel | 1 | - | 2 | 2 - | | 2 | - |
| Assembly Chair | 1 | - | 1 | I - | | 1 | - |
| Administrative Assistant | 1 | - | 1 | ı – | | 1 | - |
| | <u>Full Time</u> | Part Time | <u>Full</u> | Time Part Time | | <u>Full Time</u> | Part Time |
| | | | | | | | |

Assembly Division Summary ASM Municipal Clerk

(Fund Center # 102006, 102100, 102079, 102000, 102007, 102003, 102008)

| | 2020 Actuals | 2021 Revised | 2022 Approved | 22 v 21 % Chg |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Direct Cost by Category | | | | |
| Salaries and Benefits | 1,312,689 | 1,508,449 | 1,516,675 | 0.55% |
| Supplies | 21,678 | 8,500 | 8,500 | - |
| Travel | 2,894 | 8,250 | 8,250 | - |
| Contractual/Other Services | 1,374,073 | 1,885,284 | 1,571,284 | (16.66%) |
| Equipment, Furnishings | 4,081 | - | - | - |
| Manageable Direct Cost Total | 2,715,416 | 3,410,483 | 3,104,709 | (8.97%) |
| Debt Service | - | - | - | - |
| Depreciation/Amortization | - | - | - | - |
| Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total | - | - | - | - |
| Direct Cost Total | 2,715,416 | 3,410,483 | 3,104,709 | - |
| Intragovernmental Charges | | | | |
| Charges by/to Other Departments | 269,863 | 109,793 | 94,378 | (14.04%) |
| Function Cost Total | 2,985,279 | 3,520,276 | 3,199,087 | (9.12%) |
| Program Generated Revenue by Fund | | | | |
| Fund 101000 - Areawide General | 54,454 | 60,650 | 60,650 | - |
| Program Generated Revenue Total | 54,454 | 60,650 | 60,650 | - |
| Net Cost Total | 2,930,825 | 3,459,626 | 3,138,437 | (9.28%) |
| Position Summary as Budgeted | | | | |
| Full-Time | 16 | 16 | 16 | - |
| Position Total | 16 | 16 | 16 | - |
| | Full-Time budget | ed position counts | are | |

Full-Time budgeted position counts are:2020: 122021: 122022: 12due to 4 positions being budgeted in two fund centers

Assembly Division Detail

ASM Municipal Clerk

(Fund Center # 102006, 102100, 102079, 102000, 102007, 102003, 102008)

| | 2020 Actuals | 2021 Revised | 2022 Approved | 22 v 21 % Chg |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Direct Cost by Category | | | | |
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| Manageable Direct Cost Total | 2,715,416 | 3,410,483 | 3,104,709 | (8.97%) |
| Debt Service | - | - | - | - |
| — Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total | - | - | - | - |
| Direct Cost Total | 2,715,416 | 3,410,483 | 3,104,709 | (8.97%) |
| Intragovernmental Charges | | | | |
| Charges by/to Other Departments | 269,863 | 109,793 | 94,378 | (14.04%) |
| Program Generated Revenue | | | | |
| 404060 - Local Business Licenses | 15,245 | 18,000 | 18,000 | - |
| 404075 - Marijuana Licensing Fees | 22,400 | 41,000 | 41,000 | - |
| 406580 - Copier Fees | 1,880 | 100 | 100 | - |
| 406625 - Reimbursed Cost-NonGrant Funded | 200 | 50 | 50 | - |
| 408380 - Prior Year Expense Recovery | 52 | - | - | - |
| 408560 - Appeal Receipts | 3,240 | 1,000 | 1,000 | - |
| 408580 - Miscellaneous Revenues | 11,437 | 500 | 500 | - |
| – Program Generated Revenue Total | 54,454 | 60,650 | 60,650 | - |
| Net Cost | | | | |
| Direct Cost Total | 2,715,416 | 3,410,483 | 3,104,709 | (8.97%) |
| Charges by/to Other Departments Total | 269,863 | 109,793 | 94,378 | (14.04%) |
| Program Generated Revenue Total | (54,454) | (60,650) | (60,650) | - |
| Net Cost Total | 2,930,825 | 3,459,626 | 3,138,437 | (9.28%) |

Position Detail as Budgeted

| | 2020 F | Revised | 202 | I Revised | 2022 Approved | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| | <u>Full Time</u> | Part Time | Full Time | ne Part Time Full Time | | Part Time |
| | | | | | | |
| Administrative Assistant | 11 | - | 11 | - | 11 | - |
| Deputy Municipal Clerk | 3 | - | 3 | - | 3 | - |
| Junior Admin Officer | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - |
| Municipal Clerk | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - |
| Position Detail as Budgeted Total | 16 | - | 16 | - | 16 | - |

Full-Time budgeted Adminitrative Assistant position counts are:2020: 62021: 62022: 6due to 4 positions being budgeted in two fund centers

Assembly Division Summary ASM Ombudsman

(Fund Center # 103079, 103000)

| | 2020 Actuals | 2021 Revised | 2022 Approved | 22 v 21 % Chg |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Direct Cost by Category | | | | |
| Salaries and Benefits | 246,834 | 298,349 | 325,982 | 9.26% |
| Supplies | 1,773 | 500 | 10,500 | 2000.00% |
| Travel | - | - | - | - |
| Contractual/Other Services | 7,133 | 5,326 | 5,326 | - |
| Equipment, Furnishings | 1,564 | - | - | - |
| Manageable Direct Cost Total | 257,304 | 304,175 | 341,808 | 12.37% |
| Debt Service | - | - | - | - |
| Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total | - | - | - | - |
| Direct Cost Total | 257,304 | 304,175 | 341,808 | - |
| Intragovernmental Charges | | | | |
| Charges by/to Other Departments | (150,400) | (175,879) | (193,013) | 9.74% |
| Function Cost Total | 106,904 | 128,296 | 148,795 | 15.98% |
| Program Generated Revenue by Fund | | | | |
| Fund 101000 - Areawide General | 16 | - | - | - |
| Program Generated Revenue Total | 16 | - | - | - |
| Net Cost Total | 106,888 | 128,296 | 148,795 | 15.98% |
| Position Summary as Budgeted | | | | |
| Full-Time | 2 | 2 | 2 | - |
| Part-Time | 1 | 1 | 1 | - |
| Position Total | 3 | 3 | 3 | - |

Assembly Division Detail ASM Ombudsman

(Fund Center # 103079, 103000)

| | | A | 2020 ctuals | F | 2021 Revised | 2022 Approved | 22 v 21 % Chg |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Direct Cost by Category | | | | | | | |
| Salaries and Benefits | | 24 | 46,834 | | 298,349 | 325,982 | 9.26% |
| Supplies | | | 1,773 | | 500 | 10,500 | 2000.00% |
| Travel | | | - | | - | - | - |
| Contractual/Other Services | | | 7,133 | | 5,326 | 5,326 | - |
| Equipment, Furnishings | | | 1,564 | | - | - | - |
| Manageable Direct Cost Total | | 25 | 57,304 | ; | 304,175 | 341,808 | 12.37% |
| Debt Service | | | - | | - | - | - |
| Non-Manageable Direct Cost To | Non-Manageable Direct Cost Total | | - | | - | - | - |
| Direct Cost Total | | 25 | 257,304 | | 304,175 | 341,808 | 12.37% |
| Intragovernmental Charges | | | | | | | |
| Charges by/to Other Departments | | (15 | 0,400) | (1 | 75,879) | (193,013) | 9.74% |
| Program Generated Revenue | | | | | | | |
| 408380 - Prior Year Expense Recovery | у | | 16 | | - | - | - |
| Program Generated Revenue Total | | | 16 | | - | - | - |
| Net Cost | | | | | | | |
| Di | irect Cost Tot | al 25 | 57,304 | : | 304,175 | 341,808 | 12.37% |
| Charges by/to Other Dep | partments Tot | al (15 | 0,400) | (1 | 75,879) | (193,013) | 9.74% |
| Program Generated | Revenue Tot | al | (16) | | - | - | - |
| Net Cost Total | | 10 | 6,888 | 1 | 28,296 | 148,795 | 15.98% |
| Position Detail as Budgeted | | | | | | | |
| | 2020 Re | vised | | 2021 F | Revised | 2022 | Approved |
| | Full Time | Part Time | <u>Ful</u> | <u>l Time</u> | Part Time | Full Time | Part Time |
| Associate Ombudsman | 1 | _ | | 1 | _ | 1 | _ |
| Deputy Ombudsman | - 1 | 1 | _ | - | 1 | | 1 |
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Position Detail as Budgeted Total