

Date: June 7, 2011

To: Assembly President Knopp; Assembly Members; Mayor Carey

From: Mike McBride

Subject: Ordinance 2011-24 - Assembly Term Limits

President Knopp,

To fundamentally change our borough government with an item on the consent agenda is wrong!

If you consider this fundamental change to our government as a routine and non-controversial ordinance, then I think you have truly lost touch with reality.

This ordinance should be debated publically and each of you should make your position very clear on the subject and then vote for the record.

You may not agree with the term limits for assembly approved by a majority of voters **FOUR TIMES**, but limits were approved and you should respect the public position on this issue!

In conclusion, the public has a right to know the specific names of those of you who want to ignore the majority of voters. **Take Ordinance 2011-24 off the consent agenda, debate the issue publically for all to see and hear and then vote!**

Respectfully,

Mike McBride

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Cc Borough Clerk for public record/distribution as written testimony against Ordinance 2011-24

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Subject: Proposed ordinances 2011-23 and 2011-24

Briefly I would like to express my dissatisfaction regarding the proposed ordinances 2011-23 and 2011-24. Both are in my humble opinion affronts to the people you supposedly represent. If you should enact and pass such you can count on me and my neighbors and friends to oppose your future reelections to your current offices.

Regards,

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Subject: ordinance 2011-23 and 24

we are paying to much taxes already,vote no thanks john w bennett

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Subject: Public Testimony on Ordinance 2011-23 & 2011-24

Dear KPB Assembly,

I ask that you NOT pass Ordinances 2011-23 & 2011-24. We do not need or want a sales tax increase for ANY reason! Also, we do not want to increase term limits to three terms! The people have already spoke loudly on this issue. To continue to push these AGENDAS is not in the best interests of the people and businesses of the KPB. I will vociferously oppose both measures should they make it to the ballot.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Re: Ordinance 2011-23

I am OPPOSED to Ordinance 2011-23, and urge you to vote NO to defeat this ordinance for the following philosophical reasons:

1. This is a slippery slope. The sales tax has always been dedicated to schools, and while we give the school district far more than the sales tax generates, that was and is the only reason the voters agreed to tax themselves with a sales tax. To start adding other things to the sales tax is to open the door to all sorts of future "wants".
2. This borough is a second class borough with limited powers. If, for instance, CARTS wants to have a predictable and ongoing funding source, then let them go to the trouble of forming a service area for the Central Peninsula. Have them go to the people and ask them if the people of the area really want this service. If a majority does, the people served will pay through their property taxes. If not, why are we giving them any money at all?
3. You cannot tax yourself into prosperity. Higher sales tax only drives more people to Anchorage. That is the opposite of "Economic Development"

Please stand firm on principle for a local government that governs best when governing least. Just say "no, thank you".

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July 30, 2011

President Gary Knopp and
Members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

Re: Ord. 2011-24

In listening to the last meeting, and thinking about what the Assembly is endeavoring to accomplish, I looked up the language as it is written in Borough Code for the Mayor, who also serves under a 2 term limit. However, that language very much clarifies what constitutes a term.

[2.04.010. - Term of office—Limitation of terms.](#)

The term of office of the borough mayor is 3 years. No person who has completed two consecutive full terms as mayor may serve another term or portion of a term until a period of 180 days has passed since the end of their second consecutive full term of office. A full term of office means the regular term of office for mayor and does not include portions of a term served by appointment or election to the remainder of an unexpired term vacated by another person.

(Ord. No. 93-33, § 3, 1993; Ord. No. 92-55, § 2, 1992; Ord. No. 86-79, § 1, 1986; Ord. No. 81-5, § 1, 1981; Ord. No. 72-22, § 1, 1972; Ord. No. 54, § 2, 1967; Ord. No. 50, § 3, 1967; KPC § 9.05.01)

My suggestion is utilize the Mayor's language, to be enacted when the October election is certified. I was hoping it could be done as housekeeping, but the initiative was very clear, two terms including portions thereof. Therefore it has to wait the two full years.

Thanks for listening.

Sincerely,

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Subject:

FW: Term Limits

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Subject: Term Limits

Dear Assembly Members,

Please overturn the mayor's veto of the ordinance about term limits. I believe this piece of legislation is fair if we are to have term limits. As to term limits in general, I would encourage you to consider totally eliminating them. The voters naturally limit any person's term who they do not wish to continue in office.

Also, may I remind you that many citizens in the borough are unable to come to the meeting to testify but listen to your meetings on the radio. When citizens who live in proximity of your meeting state they represent the voice of the people, they are forgetting a large portion of the population has no "voice" because of distance.

Francie Roberts