

June 17, 2011

Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor
Mayor David R. Carey
144 N. Binkley Street
Soldotna, Alaska 99669

Dear Mayor Carey,

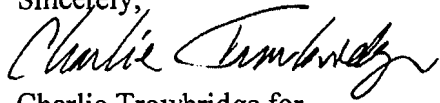
Recent notice to residents indicates the Local Boundary Commission (LBC) will consider a petition for annexation of a 40 acre parcel on Morning Star Road within Kachemak Estates Subdivision contiguous to and east of Deitz Home Estates Subdivision. This acreage was described as being within Section 1 Township 6 South, Range 13 West of the Seward Meridian. The undersigned resident owners of Deitz Home Estates fully support approval of the Kachemak Estates annexation request. The undersigned residents of Deitz Home Estates Subdivision have also requested concurrent consideration by the LBC for annexation to Kachemak City of our properties as depicted in Figure 1. We seek from Kenai Peninsula Borough, a letter of non-objection to our annexation request.

Our position is virtually identical to the proposed Kachemak Estates annex and as described in your June 7, 2011 memo to Assembly President Gary Knopp and KPB Resolution 2011-065. That is, a portion of our subdivision lies partially within and partially outside the Kachemak City limits with access solely across Kachemak City, we do not receive road services from KPB for China Poot Street or Deitz Lane and, access to and by emergency services vehicles must occur through Kachemak City while city services are closer.

The Kachemak City/Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) boundary divides some of the lots on the south side of Deitz Lane while other properties along the northern tier of the subdivision are wholly within KPB. All of these properties benefit, directly and indirectly, through matching grants from road maintenance funds made available through Kachemak City. Additional development of lands north of the Deitz Subdivision is very unlikely due to the steep slope of the adjacent bluff. KPB has declined to provide road maintenance services (plowing, sanding, gravel, grading, CaCl application for dust control, ditching, and etc.) to any properties that necessitate access through Kachemak City lands. Therefore, owners of these "stranded" properties must pay both KPB property taxes for road and emergency services while also paying up to an additional \$300 per year to our neighborhood road service group to ensure consistent and safe access to our homes. This group, the Upper Deitz Road Group (UDRG) has provided the types of road maintenance cited above, including ditching and replacement of an under-road culvert located entirely on borough property. The boundary issue also causes us concern due to the potential for confusion among emergency service providers. Finally, the character, resources, and population of our proposed annexation addition are consistent with those in adjacent Kachemak City.

Based upon the above facts we seek from KPB a letter of non-objection to our request for annexation by Kachemak City. We represent a group of contiguous properties that abut both Kachemak City and the proposed Kachemak Estates annex and whose owners unanimously agree to this proposal. Please find following the description of our contiguous parcel as well as the signature page of all affected property owners.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charlie Trowbridge".

Charlie Trowbridge for
affected Deitz Home Estates residents.
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