NOVEMBER 19, 2025 CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADDITIONAL MATERIAL/REVISIONS

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Dear Kenai City Council Members:

I am writing to urge the Council to appoint Glenese Pettey to the vacant Kenai City Council seat. She ran for a seat on the Council this election cycle and got hundreds of votes, although ultimately falling short by a mere 38 votes. She has served on the Council in the past, and therefore has the experience to immediately begin serving with no down time to learn the ropes. During her service on the Council she was a model Council member: considerate and respectful of the public and her fellow Council members; thoughtful and deliberate during Council meetings.

With respect to the other three applicants:

- 1. Mr. Douthit resigned his seat on the Council to further his political ambitions. He chose not to run for his Council seat in order to run for Mayor; he knew the risks of losing the Mayor race, which he did. He should not simply be awarded a Council seat he did not run for.
- 2. Ms. Miller Obay has provided no information with her application by which to evaluate her -- we don't even get to know where she lives in Kenai. Furthermore, there is no evidence that she has any experience in municipal government; if not, she would need quite a bit of training in order to get up to speed to be an effective legislator.

I am also against appointing novices to an elected office who have not run for office in the community. Let them run for office to show that people in the community support them first, because appointing them gives them an immediate advantage as an incumbent.

3. Mr. Bannock is a problematic candidate. His application letter is deeply offensive, particularly for its insulting and arrogant tone. Furthermore, he has in the past shown a great lack of respect towards Kenai City Council members: during the COVID epedemic, he called Council members, on the radio, "elitist douchebags" because of their vote on spending COVID funds. While acting as a "provocateur" on his radio show -- where his behavior might amuse certain listeners -- his behavior does not inspire confidence that he could fairly represent all City residents. And he would have an unfair advantage over other Council members by having a radio show where he can express his opinions, but does not have to give time for opposing views.

Thank you for considering this letter.

Kristine A. Schmidt 43-year Kenai resident Kenai, Alaska 99611 (907) From: To:

City Council

Subject: Vacant
Date: Wedne

Wednesday, November 19, 2025 12:44:59 PM

Dear Council Members,

I wanted to reach out to you as you continue your dedicated service on the Kenai Council. I deeply appreciate the immense commitment and sacrifice of personal time and intellectual energy required for such a role. Your efforts in navigating the complexities of our community's governance do not go unnoticed, and I truly commend you for consistently stepping up to serve.

As the Assembly considers candidates for the vacant seat, I felt compelled to share my perspective on someone I believe could bring transformative energy and vision to our city: Alex Douthit.

I've been keenly observing Alex's involvement in the community, and his passion for Kenai's future is truly inspiring. He possesses a remarkable track record of tangible investments and active participation within our community, demonstrating a genuine commitment to its wellbeing. More than just a desire, he brings boundless energy and a proactive approach, consistently looking for ways to foster growth and opportunity. While some might find his ideas bold or unconventional at times, I see this as a significant asset. It indicates a mind unafraid to challenge conventions and envision innovative solutions – precisely what's needed to propel Kenai forward rather than simply maintaining the status quo.

Kenai stands at a pivotal moment, and I believe we need leadership that not only understands our history but is also prepared to aggressively chart a dynamic new course. While we deeply respect those who have served our city diligently in the past, and indeed, many qualified individuals may be seeking this position, I sense a growing desire within the community for fresh perspectives and a renewed sense of urgency. The results of the last election cycle, for instance, perhaps indicate a public appetite for new momentum and leadership that can invigorate our path forward. We need someone who isn't just competent, but truly *on fire* for Kenai's potential, capable of generating

excitement and tangible progress.

My hope for Kenai is not just survival, but true flourishing – to become the *first choice* destination for businesses seeking a vibrant market, for families looking for an exceptional quality of life, and for visitors drawn to our unique sporting events and cultural festivals. Alex embodies this ambitious spirit, consistently articulating a vision that moves beyond merely being a 'good' option to becoming a truly 'great' one.

Of course, I understand that every individual, Alex included, has their own areas for growth, and I haven't worked with him directly in an official capacity. This is my heartfelt opinion, stemming from a deep love for our shared home and a hopeful outlook for its future. I earnestly ask you to reflect on Alex Douthit's unique blend of passion, innovative thinking, and community-driven energy. It aboaligns with the kind of transformative leadership Kenai needs right now.

With respect,

Dave Daniel

Dave Daniel Kenai, AK

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Knackstedt and Council Members

THROUGH: Terry Eubank, City Manager

FROM: Lee Frey, Public Works Director

DATE: November 19, 2025

SUBJECT: Ordinance 3493-2025 Requested Amendment

This memo requests an amendment to correct an inconsistency between the third WHEREAS and Section 1 of the Ordinance. The third WHEREAS indicates the project is estimated to cost \$20,000, different from the requested appropriation amount of \$25,000. Quotes obtained support a budget of \$25,000 requiring amendment to the third WHEREAS.

The following amendment is respectfully requested.

Motion

Amend the amount in the third WHEREAS from \$20,000 to \$25,000.

Thank you for your consideration.