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Vote: 6-Yes, 1-No (Notti)*

ORDINANCE NO. 97-17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH GENERALLY APPLICABLE PROCEDURES FOR APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS OF ANY APPOINTED BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION OF THE CITY; CLARIFYING VOTING PROCEDURES; AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF SUCH BODIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is permanent in nature and shall become a part of the Bethel Municipal Code.

Section 2. Amendment of Section. Bethel Municipal Code Section 2.24.080 is amended by adding a new subsection G reading:

G. Removal By Council. A member of the commission may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the City Council after a hearing involving the party to be removed.

Section 3. Amendment of Section. Bethel Municipal Code Section 2.25.030 is amended by adding a new subsection G reading:

G. Removal By Council. A member of the Commission may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the City Council after a hearing involving the party to be removed.

Section 4. Amendment of Section. Bethel Municipal Code Section 2.30.010 is amended by adding a new subsection E reading:

E. Removal By Council. A member of the board may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the City Council after a hearing involving the party to be removed.

Section 5. Adoption of New Chapter. There is adopted as a part of the Bethel Municipal Code a new Chapter 2.52 reading:

Chapter 2.52 BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

2.25.010 Applicability

- 2.25.020 Appointment and Confirmation
- 2.25.030 Removal
- 2.25.040 Voting Rights
- 2.25.050 Notice of Meetings

2.52.010 Applicability. Unless otherwise specifically provided in the ordinance or resolution approved by the Council creating a board, commission, committee, study group, task force or other appointed body, whether advisory or given governmental powers, and whether having a limited or unlimited life, the provisions of this Chapter shall apply to all appointed bodies established by the City Council. The provisions of this chapter do not apply to bodies consisting entirely of City Council Members appointed by the Mayor nor to bodies created by any municipal officer, department, agency or any municipal body other than the City Council.

2.52.020 Appointment and Confirmation. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council. The Mayor may withdraw an appointment at any time prior to confirmation by the Council.

2.52.030 Removal.

A. A member confirmed by the Council may be removed at any time by majority vote of the Council, after a hearing involving the party to be removed.

B. A member that is appointed or nominated by a private or governmental organization or officer as a representative of that organization on the appointed City body may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the Council.

C. An ex-officio member may not be removed by the Council if the person's membership is based solely upon an office or position occupied by that person within a different organization and is not based in part or in whole upon a nomination or recommendation by the person's organization.

2.25.040 Voting Rights.

A. All positions on an appointed body, including ex-officio positions, shall be voting positions unless specifically designated as non-voting or advisory positions.

2.52.050 Notice of Meetings.

A. The presiding officer of an appointed body shall be responsible for notifying the City Clerk of the time and place of each meeting of the appointed body. The notification to the Clerk must be provided in sufficient time for the Clerk to provide reasonable public notice of the meeting of the body.

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B. The City Clerk shall provide public notice of the meetings of all appointed bodies of the City consistent with the requirements of the Alaska Open Meetings Act (AS 44 62.310).

C. The City Clerk may delegate to a department head the responsibility for providing public notice of meetings of an appointed body that provides advice primarily to the department or that is otherwise clearly associated with a particular department.

D. The meetings of all appointed bodies shall be open to the public unless excluded from the provisions of the Open Meetings Act or unless the appointed body is meeting in executive session as authorized in the Open Meetings Act.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 12 day of August, 1997

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By: Agnes L. Phillips
Agnes L. Phillips, Mayor

ATTEST:

LJ Warren
LJ Warren, City Clerk