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Trantham & Council
Member Rodgers
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CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

Ordinance #06-15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.04.140 OF THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE-ORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, that:

SECTION 1. Classification. This ordinance is permanent in nature and upon passage shall become section 2.04.140 of the Bethel Municipal Code.

SECTION 2. Amendment. Section 2.04.140 of the Bethel Municipal Code is amended as follows (new language is underlined and old language is stricken out):

2.04.140 Organization of council

A. Newly elected and re-elected councilmembers shall be sworn in at the first regular council meeting following certification of the election. The council shall then meet on the first Monday after certification of the regular election and elect from among its members a mayor and a vice mayor who shall take office immediately. For purposes of this subsection A, certification of a regular election in which there is a runoff election occurs when the runoff election results are certified.

B. The term of the mayor expires upon the earlier of the election of a new mayor or the swearing in of the newly elected councilmember who replaces the councilmember who is the mayor. The mayor may serve only while a member of the council regardless of the term established for the office of mayor.

C. The term of the vice mayor expires in the same manner as provided for the mayor.

D. The term of a councilmember shall be two years.

~~B. The mayor shall appoint councilmembers to such special or adhoc council committees as the mayor may establish and shall appoint councilmembers to~~

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E. If there is a vacancy in the mayor and vice mayor's position during the interim period from certification of the newly elected councilmembers until the election of a new mayor and vice mayor, the council shall follow Bethel Municipal Code 2.04.070 and elect a mayor pro tempore to preside until a mayor is elected.

F. The mayor shall appoint councilmembers to such special or adhoc council committees as the mayor may establish and shall appoint councilmembers to such standing council committees as the council establishes pursuant to Bethel Municipal Code 2.52.020. Appointees to council committees serve at the pleasure of the mayor. The term of council committee members expires annually upon the election of the mayor.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage by the Bethel City Council to be implemented for the October 3, 2006 Regular City Election.

R. Thor Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra Modigh, City Clerk