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Public Hearing: January 31, 2006  
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Vote: 7-0

## *CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA*

### **Ordinance #06-01 (Amended)**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.04.140 OF THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE ELECTION OF A MAYOR AND A VICE MAYOR**

**WHEREAS** the City Council of Bethel has determined that the election of Mayor of the City of Bethel should conform with Alaska Statute Sec. 29.20.230;

**WHEREAS** the City Council of Bethel has determined that the election of Vice Mayor of the City of Bethel should match procedures for the election of Mayor.

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

**SECTION 1. Classification.** This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part 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 reelected councilmembers shall be sworn in at the first regular council meeting following certification of the election, ~~and~~ . The 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 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 ~~by resolution or by motion.~~ pursuant to Bethel Municipal Code 2.52.020. Appointees to council committees serve at the pleasure of the mayor. ~~The first person in the list of appointments to a council committee shall be the chairperson unless the mayor specifically designates a different appointee as the chairperson.~~ The

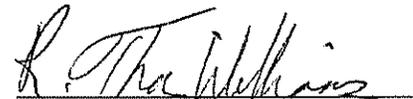
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term of council committee members expires annually upon the election of the mayor.

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

**SECTION 3. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage by the City Council.

**ENACTED THIS 31<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2006, BY A VOTE OF 7 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.**

  
R. Thor Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Sandra Modigh, City Clerk