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I vehemently oppose the annexation of the area along the Kenai Spur Highway as proposed by the City of Soldotna. Annexation is supposed to be beneficial to all involved. This is not the case in this instance – ONLY to the benefit of the City. The benefit to the City of Soldotna is thousands of dollars in sales tax and property tax revenue.

Businesses in the proposed area will be forced to raise prices for goods and services. This will encourage customers to seek the same goods and services from other areas outside the city. There is no benefit to the businesses or residents in this area

The majority of the properties front on the Kenai Spur Highway. This road is maintained by the State of Alaska which costs the City nothing. The one property that benefits from city water and sewer is Alaska Maxi Storage and that facility paid for the extension of service when it was developed. All others have adequate onsite well and septic systems. There is no benefit to the properties in the area.

In the past, the city attempted to annex this and other areas. At that time because of comments of resistance at council meetings, it was decided to annex by the legislative review method. Mayor Dave Carey vetoed the action because of the number of citizen objections at the meeting. There were not enough votes to override the veto.

The legislative review method amounts to taxation without representation.

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