

# State of Alaska Local Boundary Commission

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# PROPOSED AGENDA FOR LOCAL BOUNDARY COMMISSION (LBC) PUBLIC MEETING

Monday, November 16, 2015 – 8:00 a.m.

Atwood Building, 550 West Seventh Avenue, Room 102, Anchorage, Alaska

Teleconference number: 1-800-315-6338. Access code: 94587#

As there are no action items on the agenda, there will not be a public comment period

# **Local Boundary Commission Workshop**

Moderated by Glen Hamburg, Local Government Specialist from Division of Community and Regional Affairs (DCRA)

Presentations from LBC Staff Brent Williams and Eileen Collins
Invited Guests: Dr. Victor Fischer, Senator Clem Tillion, Senator Gary Wilken, the Honorable Elaine
Andrews, the Honorable Kathleen Franklin, and the Honorable Chris Kennedy

The goal of the workshop is to discuss and review LBC process and procedure, its powers, and successfully conducting a hearing. There will be presentations by DCRA staff, and by distinguished guests. The commissioners and staff will have opportunities to ask questions, and to interact in breakout sessions.

#### 8:00 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Call to order
- Roll call and determination of guorum
- Acknowledge guests and staff present at originating site and each individual teleconference site
- Approve agenda
- Goals and objectives (staff)

8:10 NEW BUSINESS: LBC WORKSHOP. Series of presentations from DCRA staff and distinguished guests, questions to the guests and staff, and breakout sessions

Moderator Glen Hamburg then leads the LBC workshop

# 8:10 – 9:45 Session One: LBC Petitions and Hearings

- Local Governments in Alaska (Glen Hamburg and Eileen Collins)
- Petition Process Overview (Eileen Collins)
- Hearings and Decisional Meetings (Brent Williams)
- Breakout Session

9:45 - 10:00 Break

10:00 – 12:00 Session Two: Overview of LBC Powers by Distinguished Guests. Each presentation includes time for questions.

#### 10:05 – 10:30 Dr. Vic Fischer, 1955 Alaska Constitutional Delegate and Former Alaska State Senator

Constitutional Authority and Framers' Intent for the LBC

# 10:30 - 11:00 Gary Wilken, Former Alaska State Senator

Disincentives to Borough Formation and Alaska's Fiscal Situation

## 11:00 – 11:30 Clem Tillion, Former Alaska State Senator and Representative

• The Mandatory Borough Act and the unorganized borough

11:30 - 12:00 Breakout Session

12:00 - 1:00 Recess for Lunch

#### 1:00 Meeting Reconvenes: Afternoon Session

• Chair calls to order, and then the moderator introduces Session Three

# 1:05 – 2:00 Session Three: Successfully Conducting a Hearing (the Honorable Elaine Andrews, the Honorable Kathleen Franklin, and the Honorable Chris Kennedy)

2:00 – 2:30 Session Three Question and Answer Session

2:30 - 2:45 Break

# 2:45 – 4:00 Session Four: LBC Petitions and Hearings. This session is interactive, and is continued from the morning

# 2:45 – 3:05 Conducting LBC meetings (Brent Williams)

Purpose and responsibilities and expectations of staff and commission

# 3:05 – 3:40 Meetings Best Practices (Glen Hamburg)

- Alaska's Open Meetings Act
- Public comment best practices

#### 3:40 – 4:00 Session Four Breakout session

## 4:00 – 4:25 Session Two Overview of LBC Powers (Continued)

• Breakout session: one unorganized borough or several unorganized boroughs?

# 4:25 Closing Comments From Commissioners and LBC Staff

4:30 Adjourn