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Local Boundary Commission,

Elfin Cove is really a magical place. Here are some of the benefits of owning a business or summer home in Elfin Cove and claiming them as your primary domicile.

- 1. You can become a resident and receive Power Cost Equalization. This means you will get a break on your electrical bill. (about \$575)
- 2. You can register to become an Alaska voter. (forever)
- 3. The harbor moorage is free. (floathouses and businesses included)
- 4. Your business will have no oversight.
- 5. Best of all is that there are no taxes. This means the approximately \$16,000,000 made every Summer by the lodges in town get to keep every cent they make.
- 6. If anything goes wrong with your building(s) or property while you are gone for the winter, the Locals will take care of it for you.

An example of how this works:

In the Inner Harbor of Elfin Cove one (of two) finger of the state dock is used nearly exclusively by the lodges owned by Kelly and Mary Crump- two officers of the Board of Directors of the community nonprofit. Kelly is the Treasurer and is now the Manager of the Fuel Dock and Mary is the Secretary for the Community of Elfin Cove Nonprofit Corporation. They moor half their fleet of 28 self-guided fishing boats and one of their fish processing facilities including cleaning tables, racks and freezers to the first finger. They also own and operate a floating trinket shop (hoodies,caps, etc) on another part of the Inner Harbor state docks. They also use two other private docks in the Inner Harbor where they moor the remainder of the self -guided fleet each with fish processing facilities. This month (February 2024) one of the these other fish processing floats pushed over the piling it was moored to. Since the Crumps weren't in Elfin Cove but live Utah in the same house that they bought in 2003, some of the seven persons actually living in Elfin Cove had to move it to the first finger and tie it behind the float already there. It will be moored there until Kelly comes back to Alaska in the Spring. This is the second winter that one of their fish houses has broken loose and had to be rescued by those living in EC through the winter. We support the proposed Xunaa Borough because it would provide oversite to some of the issues in Elfin

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