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My family has owned property at Funter Bay for about four decades. It has been a place for respite from the urban Juneau environment. It has also been a place independent of government oversight/interference. The City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) has made at least three attempts to annex Funter Bay and we have opposed all of them. Annexation by CBJ would result in taxation without any services. CBJ sees Funter Bay as an additional revenue source, plain and simple.

Xunaa Borough has made an agreement with Funter Bay property owners to assess no property tax and, in exchange, Funter Bay expects no services to be provided. It is my hope that Xunaa Borough will honor this agreement. I have read comments submitted to LBC on the annexation issue and have heard testimony from Hoonah Elders recently about agreements not honored and traditional land stewardship tenets being disregarded all in the name of the almighty dollar. These reports raise concerns.

My first preference is that Funter Bay not be annexed by either borough. If indeed it is necessary for Funter Bay to be incorporated into a borough it appears on the surface that Xunna Borough is the lesser of the 2 evils being proposed at present. If the Xunna Borough annexation occurs the only way to have a say in how Funter Bay property is handled in the future is to become a registered voter in the Xunna Borough, so Funter Bay property owners are at a clear disadvantage if annexed.

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