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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. PC 19-04**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING ASSEMBLY APPROVAL OF BOUNDARY CHANGES TO COMMUNITY COUNCILS WITHIN THE CORE AREA, WHICH INCLUDE TANAINA COMMUNITY COUNCIL, NORTH LAKES, SOUTH LAKES, GATEWAY, FARM LOOP AND THE CREATION OF THE GREATER PALMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL BOUNDARY.

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WHEREAS, Section 2.76.040(B) of the borough code specifies that the planning department shall, at least once every three years, submit to the Planning Commission and Assembly a report and recommendation on community council boundaries; and

WHEREAS, there are currently five community councils located within the Core Area; and

WHEREAS, there are 58,269 acres of land in the Core Area, and 20,968 of it is not covered by a community council; and

WHEREAS, the residents within those neighborhoods are included in the "BALANCE" line item of the census figures and the resulting figures do not give an accurate representation of the Core Area population; and

WHEREAS, the balance figure includes population from other outlying areas, not just the Core Area; and

WHEREAS, preparation for the 2020 Census is currently underway; and

WHEREAS, completing these boundary adjustments prior to the finalization of the Census 2020 Participant Statistical Areas Program will allow staff the ability to meet these requirements; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission has reviewed the recommended amendments; and

WHEREAS, the planning commission has determined the amendments are in the best interest of the community councils and the borough.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission recommends the Borough Assembly adopt a resolution recommending Assembly approval of Boundary Changes to Community councils within the Core Area, which include Tanaina Community Council, North Lakes, South Lakes, Gateway, Farm Loop, and the creation of the Greater Palmer Community Council Boundary.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2019.

  
COLLEEN VAGUE, Chair

ATTEST

  
MARY BRODIGAN, Planning Clerk

(SEAL)

YES: *Vague, Anderson, Chesbro, Elder, and Ymassarian*

NO: