

**CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA
RESOLUTION 12-12-51**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA
AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE
CITY AT THE MARCH 5, 2013 REGULAR CITY ELECTION THE QUESTION OF
AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF “PUBLISHED” OR “PUBLICATION” IN
SECTION 1-6(5) OF THE CITY CHARTER TO AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION OF
CITY NOTICES IN PRINT OR BROADCAST OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEDIA, OR
COMBINATION THEREOF, THAT THE COUNCIL DETERMINES WILL PROVIDE
THE MOST EFFECTIVE NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.**

WHEREAS, Section 1-6(5) of the City Charter provides that the City gives notices to the public under the City Charter and Code by publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the City;

WHEREAS, both the City and members of the public have come increasingly to rely on electronic media, including communications over the Internet, as a source of information regarding the functions of City government; and

WHEREAS, the City maintains a website accessible to the general public that is suitable for posting notices to the public that are required under the City Charter and Code, such as notices of the time, place and subject of meetings of governmental bodies of the City, and notices regarding City elections; and

WHEREAS, posting notices that are required under the City Charter and Code regarding the functions of City government on the City’s website is an effective and efficient means of providing notice to the public regarding the functions of City government; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Open Meetings Act permits the City to give notices of meetings of governmental bodies of the City by print or broadcast media.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

Section 1. The City shall submit the following proposition to the qualified voters of the City at the regular election to be held in the City on March 5, 2013. The proposition must receive an affirmative vote from a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question to be approved.

PROPOSITION NO. 2
AMENDMENT OF CORDOVA CITY CHARTER SECTION 1-6(5)
CONCERNING THE MANNER IN WHICH THE CITY PROVIDES
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC UNDER THE CHARTER AND CITY CODE

Shall Section 1-6(5) of the Cordova City Charter be amended to read as follows?

(5) When the word "published" or "publication" is used in this charter, it shall mean appearing at least once in the city in such print or broadcast or other electronic media, or a combination thereof, that the council determines will provide the most effective notice to the public.

Section 2. The proposition, both for paper ballots and machine ballots, shall be printed on a ballot which may set forth other propositions, and the following words shall be added as appropriate and next to rectangles provided for marking the ballot for voting by hand or machine:

PROPOSITION NO. 2

Yes

No

Section 3. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier to occur of the following: (i) the date on which the United States Department of Justice issues its non-objection under the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to the changes effected by the proposition that is to be submitted to the voters under this resolution; and (ii) the date immediately following the last date on which the United States Department of Justice could object to the changes effected by the proposition that is to be submitted to the voters under this resolution under the Voting Rights Act of 1965, provided that no objection to any such change has been issued before that date. The clerk is authorized to determine the effective date of this resolution, which shall be set forth in the permanent records of City resolutions.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26th DAY OF DECEMBER 2012.





James Kallander, Mayor

Attest:



Susan Bourgeois, City Clerk