

An ordinance of the Haines Borough placing a proposition on the October 7, 2014 Haines Borough General Election ballot to amend Borough Charter Section 16.04 to remove the requirement for a runoff election if a candidate does not receive at least 40% of votes cast to be elected to borough office.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is a non-code ordinance authorizing placing a proposed amendment to the Haines Borough Charter on the ballot for the 2014 general municipal election.

Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Proposed Amendment of Charter Section 16.04. It is hereby determined to be for a public purpose and in the public interest of the Haines Borough to place a question on the October 7, 2014 regular Haines Borough General Election ballot that would amend the Haines Borough Charter, to delete the requirement to hold a runoff election if no candidate receives at least 40 percent of the votes cast as follows:

NOTE: STRIKETHROUGH ITEMS ARE DELETED

Charter Section 16.04 Election Procedures

All borough elections shall be nonpartisan. The assembly by ordinance shall establish procedures for regular and special borough elections, including provisions for absentee voting.

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In case of a tie vote for borough office, the assembly shall determine the successful candidate by lot.

Section 4. The Borough shall submit the following proposition to the qualified voters of the Haines Borough at the October 7, 2014 Haines Borough General Election:

PROPOSITION No. 1

AMEND CHARTER 16.04 TO DELETE REQUIREMENT FOR A RUNOFF ELECTION WHEN
NO CANDIDATE RECEIVES FORTY PERCENT OF VOTES CAST

Shall Section 16.04 of the Haines Borough Charter be amended to remove the requirement for a runoff election if no candidate receives 40% of the votes cast, as follows?

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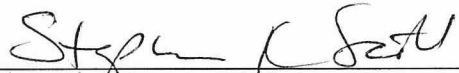
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Section 5. Section 3 of this ordinance shall become effective only if the proposition described in Section 4 is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the proposition at the October 7, 2014 Haines Borough General Election and shall take effect thirty days after certification of the results of the election. The remaining sections of this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Haines Borough Assembly.

ADOPTED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY THIS 26th DAY OF AUGUST, 2014.




Stephanie Scott, Mayor

Attest:


Julie Cozzi, MMC, Borough Clerk

Date Introduced:	07/29/14
Date of First Public Hearing:	08/12/14
Date of Second Public Hearing:	08/26/14 - Adopted