Amended Notice of Election
Incorporation of the Proposed Second Class City of Big Lake
Tuesday, October 27, 2015

This Election Will Be Conducted By Mail
Regular in person polling places will not be open on Election Day.

◆ The election is to vote on the following questions and offices:

◆ Ballot Questions:
1. Shall Big Lake be incorporated as a second class city?
2. Shall the City of Big Lake be authorized to levy a 3.09 mill property tax? (This property tax will, in effect, take the place of certain property taxes currently levied by the borough in the area proposed for incorporation for (1) the Big Lake Roads RSA #21 tax, and (2) the non-areawide property tax for economic development, libraries and animal care. Approval of this proposition is a condition for incorporation. Voters must authorize the City of Big Lake to levy a 3.09 mill property tax in order for incorporation to occur.)
3. The composition of the city council. If a majority of voters approves each of the two questions above, the City of Big Lake will be governed by a seven member city council elected at large. The mayor of the City of Big Lake will be elected by and from the city council.

◆ Voters are eligible to vote in this election if they were registered to vote in the proposed boundaries of the City of Big Lake on or before July 1, 2015

◆ Are you interested in becoming a candidate?
Candidates for city council must be qualified voters and must reside within the proposed boundaries of the City of Big Lake. Interested candidates must file a completed Nominating Petition Packet (including a Public Official’s Financial Disclosure Statement) in order to appear on the ballot.

Nominating Petition Packets will be available beginning Monday, August 10, 2015 at the following locations:

❖ Division of Elections Web Site www.elections.alaska.gov
❖ City of Houston Clerk’s Office, 13878 W. Armstrong, Houston, AK
  Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
❖ Mat-Su Elections Office, North Fork Professional Building, 1700 E. Bogard Road, Suite B102, Wasilla, AK
  Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Candidate Filing Deadline is 5:00 p.m. on August 28, 2015

◆ Your ballot will be mailed to you on or before Monday, October 5, 2015
If you do not receive your ballot, if your mailing address has changed, or if you will not be at your current mailing address for this election, contact the Absentee and Petition Office at (907) 270-2700 or toll free at (877) 375-6508. You have from the time you receive your ballot until Election Day to vote your ballot.

◆ Election Day is Tuesday, October 27, 2015. For your ballot to count, you must:
  1. Sign the return ballot envelope and provide at least one identifier on the ballot envelope.
  2. Have your signature witnessed by one person over the age of 18.
  3. Return your voted ballot. Ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day, Tuesday, October 27, 2015. If you do not want to return your voted ballot by mail, you may place it in the ballot drop-box located at the City of Houston Clerk’s Office or the Mat-Su Elections Office (addresses listed above).

◆ You can vote absentee in-person
If you would like to vote in-person, or need a new ballot, absentee in-person voting begins October 12, 2015 through Election Day, Tuesday, October 27, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Mat-Su Elections Office and Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the City of Houston Clerk’s Office. Ballots will also be available at the Juneau, Anchorage, Fairbanks and Nome election offices.

Questions about the election or need assistance? Call the Mat-Su Elections Office (907) 373-8952
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