MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

Assembly Memorandum

No. AM 21-2022

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From: **MAYOR** 1 2 Subject: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY 3 SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE 4 MUNICIPALITY AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON 5 **APRIL 5, 2022, A BALLOT PROPOSITION AMENDING** 6 MUNICIPAL CHARTER TO ELECT THE MUNICIPAL CLERK. 7 8 9 Anchorage Municipal Charter Section 4.05 requires that the Municipal Clerk be 10 appointed by the assembly, "The assembly shall appoint a municipal clerk and 11 prescribe the duties of that office. The clerk serves at the pleasure of the 12 assembly." 13 14 The Municipal Clerk is in charge of preparing, conducting and supervising all 15 municipal elections. (AMC 28.10.020). 16 17 18 A Municipal Clerk elected by the people shall improve transparency, create accountability, and increase public trust in the democratic process. 19 20 As there is no expected cost related to this ordinance, no summary of economic 21 effects is attached. 22 23 24 THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL. 25 Prepared by: Jessica Willoughby, Assistant Municipal Attorney 26 Patrick Bergt, Municipal Attorney 27 Approved by: Amy Demboski, Municipal Manager 28 Concur: Respectfully submitted: Dave Bronson, Mayor 29

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