



Kenai City Council - Work Session

November 19, 2025 – 3:30 PM

Kenai City Council Chambers

210 Fidalgo Avenue, Kenai, Alaska

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Agenda

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INTRODUCTION

1. Introductory Memo from City Clerk.

C. CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS FOR APPOINTMENT

1. Alexander Nathaniel Douthit
2. Michelle R. Miller Obay
3. Glenese Pettey
4. Duane Anthony Bannock

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS *(Public comments limited to five (5) minutes per speaker)*

E. ADJOURNMENT

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/sNSNAbsnTk6P8efaLT8Mdg>



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Knackstedt and Council Members

FROM: Shellie Saner, City Clerk

DATE: November 10, 2025

SUBJECT: **Applicants for Appointment to City Council**

The Council during the October 15, 2025 meeting declared a vacancy on City Council and directed the City Clerk to solicit applications for appointment.

During the application filing period (October 31 - November 12, 2025), the Clerk's Office received four applications.

All applicants were confirmed as qualified to serve as a City Council member according to Kenai Municipal Charter and Code.

Applicants interviews were placed on the work session agenda in the order the applications were received in accordance with City Council Policy No. 20.220.

Application for Appointment to City Council

This form must be completed in its entirety or applicant will not be validated. Corrections must be initialed. Completed originals must be received by the Clerk's Office during the applicant filing period, **October 31, 2025 at 8:00 a.m.** through **November 12, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.**, applications will not be accepted after the closing of the application period.

GENERAL INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

I, Alexander Nathaniel Douthit am a qualified voter, will be at least twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of appointment and declare myself to be a resident of the City of Kenai for one year and eligible for the office of:

City Council - (One seats, with a term expiring October 2026)

APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

My current physical residence address is: [REDACTED] Kenai, AK 99611

I have been a resident of the City of Kenai since: June 2009

My full mailing address is: [REDACTED] Kenai, AK 99611

Home Ph: _____ Cell Ph: 907-398-2080 Email: alex@douthits.com

Provide at least one Identifier:

Voter No. _____ SS# (last 4 digits) _____ Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the information in this Application for appointment to City Council is true and complete, that I meet the specific residency and citizenship requirements of this office and if appointed will serve. I further certify that I will meet the age requirements upon taking the Oath of Office, if appointed. I also acknowledge that should I choose to withdraw my application for appointment to City Council, my withdrawal must be submitted to the City Clerk in writing with my signature.

[Signature] 10/31/25
Candidate Signature Date

ATTESTATION OF SIGNATURE

The above signature of Alex Douthit is attested on this 31st day of October 2025.

Name of Authorized Signatory who Attests Signature: Michelle M. Saner

Signatory Title: City Clerk

[Signature]
Signature of Authorized Signatory

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Date and Time Received: 10-31-25 Received by: S. Saner

Eligibility Verified by: S. Saner Date Verified: 10-31-25

Financial Disclosure Statement: ☒ Included with Declaration **OR** ☐ On file with the City Clerk

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GENERAL INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

I, Michelle R. Miller Obay am a qualified voter, will be at least twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of appointment and declare myself to be a resident of the City of Kenai for one year and eligible for the office of:

City Council - (One seats, with a term expiring October 2026)

APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

My current physical residence address is: [REDACTED] Kenai

I have been a resident of the City of Kenai since: 2009

My full mailing address is: [REDACTED] Kenai

Home Ph: (907) 741-8125 Cell Ph: (907) 453-7944 Email: inhershoes2015@gmail.com

Provide at least one Identifier:

Voter No. _____ SS# (last 4 digits) [REDACTED] Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the information in this Application for appointment to City Council is true and complete, that I meet the specific residency and citizenship requirements of this office and if appointed will serve. I further certify that I will meet the age requirements upon taking the Oath of Office, if appointed. I also acknowledge that should I choose to withdraw my application for appointment to City Council, my withdrawal must be submitted to the City Clerk in writing with my signature.

Michelle R. Miller Obay
Candidate Signature

Nov. 10, 2025
Date

ATTESTATION OF SIGNATURE

The above signature of Michelle Renee Miller is attested on this 10th day of November ~~August~~ 2025.

Name of Authorized Signatory who Attests Signature: Michelle M. Sauer

Signatory Title: City Clerk

[Signature]
Signature of Authorized Signatory

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Date and Time Received: 11-10-25 12:30pm Received by: S. Sauer

Eligibility Verified by: SS Date Verified: 11-10-25

Financial Disclosure Statement: ☒ Included with Declaration **OR** ☐ On file with the City Clerk

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GENERAL INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

I, Glenese Pettey am a qualified voter, will be at least twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of appointment and declare myself to be a resident of the City of Kenai for one year and eligible for the office of:

City Council - (One seats, with a term expiring October 2026)

APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

My current physical residence address is: [REDACTED]

I have been a resident of the City of Kenai since: April 1990

My full mailing address is: [REDACTED] Kenai AK 99611

Home Ph: 907 223-3465 Cell Ph: 907 252-4170 Email: glenese@pci.net

Provide at least one Identifier:

Voter No. _____ SS# (last 4 digits) [REDACTED] Date of Birth: _____

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the information in this Application for appointment to City Council is true and complete, that I meet the specific residency and citizenship requirements of this office and if appointed will serve. I further certify that I will meet the age requirements upon taking the Oath of Office, if appointed. I also acknowledge that should I choose to withdraw my application for appointment to City Council, my withdrawal must be submitted to the City Clerk in writing with my signature.

Glenese Pettey
Candidate Signature

11.10.2025
Date

ATTESTATION OF SIGNATURE

The above signature of Glenese Pettey is attested on this 10th day of November 2025.

Name of Authorized Signatory who Attests Signature: Michelle M. Sener

Signatory Title: City Clerk

[Signature]
Signature of Authorized Signatory

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Date and Time Received: 11-10-25 1:20 p.m. Received by: SS

Eligibility Verified by: SS Date Verified: 11-10-25

Financial Disclosure Statement: ☐ Included with Declaration **OR** ☒ On file with the City Clerk

[REDACTED]
Kenai, AK 99611Phone 907-252-4170
E-mail glenese@gci.net

Glenese Pettey

Education	[1982-1987] University of Memphis State Bachelor of Science Engineering Technology Computer Systems Technology	Memphis, TN
	[1977-1978] Baptist System School of Nursing Diploma of Nursing Registered Nurse	Little Rock, AR
Professional experience	[2007-2025] Edward Jones Investments Financial Advisor	Kenai, AK
	[2006-2007] Big G Electric & Engineering Infra-Red Thermographer and Safety Specialist	Soldotna, AK
	[2002-2006] Robin Place Fabrics Manager-Purchasing Agent	Soldotna, AK
	[1977-1988] Health Care Professional Registered Nurse	Memphis, TN
Community activities	Community Foundation: Board Member Presently	
	CARTS Central Area Rural Transit System Board Member Presently	
	Mountain Group Board Member Presently	
	Kenai Peninsula Community Care Center 2015-2022 Board Member	
	Transportation Coordinator for Kenai River Classic for 2004 - 2006; received the Kenai River Classic Volunteer of the Year Award for 2005	
	Board Member for Kenai Council on the Arts 2000-2002	
Interests and activities	Treasurer for Kenai Peninsula Quilting Guild 1998-2000	
	Traveling the world, Graphic Design, Hiking, Canoeing, Camping Quilting, Beading and Reading a Great Book.	

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GENERAL INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

I, Duane Anthony Bannock am a qualified voter, will be at least twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of appointment and declare myself to be a resident of the City of Kenai for one year and eligible for the office of:

City Council - (One seats, with a term expiring October 2026)

APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

My current physical residence address is: [REDACTED]

I have been a resident of the City of Kenai since: September 2008 (after a 5 year absence) 37 years prior

My full mailing address is: PO Box 2044 Kenai, AK 99611

Home Ph: _____ Cell Ph: 907 398 2316 Email: d_bannock@hotmail.com

Provide at least one Identifier:

Voter No. [REDACTED] SS# (last 4 digits) [REDACTED] Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the information in this Application for appointment to City Council is true and complete, that I meet the specific residency and citizenship requirements of this office and if appointed will serve. I further certify that I will meet the age requirements upon taking the Oath of Office, if appointed. I also acknowledge that should I choose to withdraw my application for appointment to City Council; my withdrawal must be submitted to the City Clerk in writing with my signature.

Duane Bannock

Candidate Signature

11/12/25

Date

ATTESTATION OF SIGNATURE

The above signature of Duane Bannock is attested on this 12th day of November 2025.

Name of Authorized Signatory who Attests Signature: Michelle M. Sener

Signatory Title: City Clerk

[Signature]

Signature of Authorized Signatory

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Date and Time Received: 11-12-25 2:10 pm

Received by: SS

Eligibility Verified by: SS

Date Verified: 11-12-25

Financial Disclosure Statement:

☒ Included with Declaration

OR

☐ On file with the City Clerk

Duane Bannock
PO Box 2044
Kenai AK 99611
d_bannock@hotmail.com
907-398-2316

November 11, 2025

Mr. Mayor and Council Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to present myself as an applicant for appointment to the Kenai City Council. I welcome the opportunity to share my qualifications and reasons for applying and look forward to your interview.

I have been a resident of Kenai for nearly all of my life and have had the pleasure and honor of serving on this Council from October 1993 to February 2003 when I resigned the seat to take a position at the State of Alaska that required a move to Anchorage.

When returning to Kenai in 2008, I was clear to my realtor: only show us homes in the Greater City of Kenai; I had no desire to live elsewhere. It was a thrill to find our new home where we've resided since.

However, upon return, I've seen a difference in the once vibrant, performing and active city that I had left earlier. I found a city that doesn't have vision, positive direction or even stated goals. A City Administration that has since seemed content to coast on past laurels and a Council not challenging the status quo. If selected for this position, over its remaining term, I intend to push you and the administration to reclaim that 'drive' and prideful momentum that was once prevalent yet can be again.

Due to multiple parts of my professional life, I have kept up with the daily actions that influence the City and most importantly: its residents and visitors. From retail sales, property leasing (including the Kenai Municipal Airport) and providing hospitality service, one nagging phrase continues to rear its ugly head: "***Kenai: Where businesses go to die.***" Why does that phrase even exist? When asked on a radio program I have the pleasure to host, neither our Mayor nor former Council member (and current applicant) could answer.

Sadly, I know the answer. I know because I've been living with it for much of the last 15 years.

I am willing to commit to the remainder of this term to make that phrase obsolete; to return Kenai to a place of prominence for businesses and residents alike.

Thank you for your consideration,



Duane Bannock