

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 19-037**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING BOUNDARY CHANGES TO COMMUNITY COUNCILS WITHIN THE CORE AREA, INCLUDING TANAINA, NORTH LAKES, SOUTH LAKES, GATEWAY, AND FARM LOOP COMMUNITY COUNCILS AND THE CREATION OF THE GREATER PALMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL BOUNDARY.

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WHEREAS, Section 2.76.040(B), of the Borough code specifies that the Planning Department shall, at least once every three years, submit to the Planning Commission and Assembly a report and recommendation on community council boundaries; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, it was determined that the process should be split into two sections, part one for councils outside the Borough core area and part two for councils inside the Borough core area;

WHEREAS, in 2017, the review of community council boundaries for councils outside the Borough core area was completed and resulted in modifications to the Talkeetna Community Council Boundary; and

WHEREAS, there are currently five community councils located within the core area; and

WHEREAS, there are 58,269 acres of land in the core area, and 20,968 of it is not covered by a community council; and

WHEREAS, the residents within those neighborhoods are included in the "BALANCE" line item of the census figures and the

resulting figures do not give accurate representation of the core area population; and

WHEREAS, the balance figure includes population from other outlying areas, not just the core area; and

WHEREAS, preparation for the 2020 Census is currently underway; and

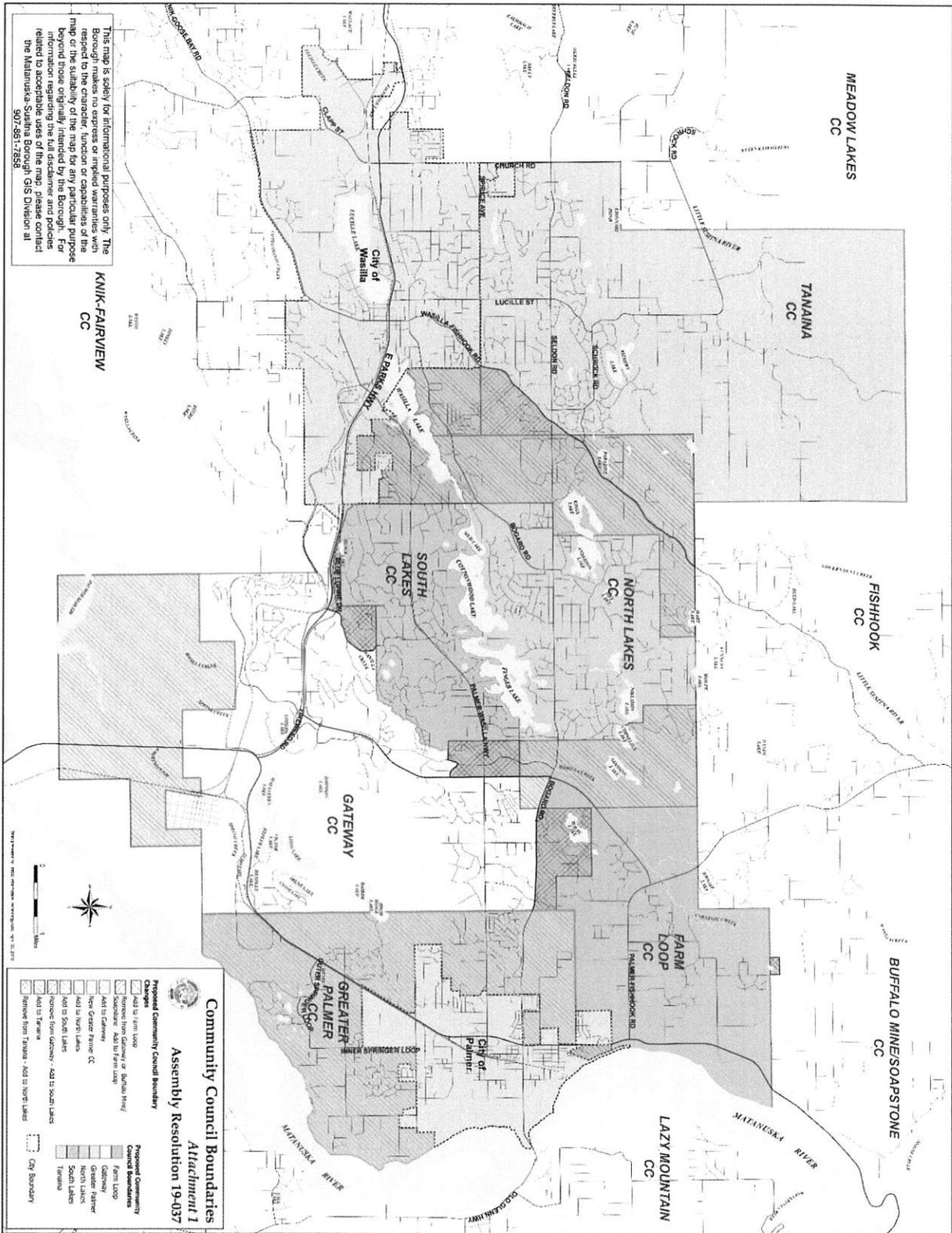
WHEREAS, completing these boundary adjustments prior to the finalization of the Census 2020 Participant Statistical Areas Program will allow staff the ability to meet these requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on April 1, 2019, and adopted Resolution No. 19-04, in support of this action; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly has reviewed the recommended amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly has determined the amendments are in the best interest of the community councils and the Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly approves boundary changes to the Tanaina, North Lakes, South Lakes, Gateway, and Farm Loop Community Councils and the creation of the Greater Palmer Community Council Boundary, as indicated on the map indicated as Attachment No. 1 to this resolution.



ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 16 day  
of April, 2019.

  
VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

  
LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

(SEAL)

YES: Sykes, Beck, Mayfield, and Boeve

NO: McKee, Leonard, and Sumner