

KETCHIKAN CHARTER COMMISSION

AGENDA STATEMENT

NO F-2

MEETING OF February 20, 2004

ITEM TITLE Suggested questions for a Commission mail-out survey (Continued from February 6, 2004) SUBMITTED BY Brad Finney
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SUMMARY STATEMENT

At the regular meeting of the Charter Commission on February 6, 2004, the decision on the format and suggested questions for a mail-out survey was postponed to give the Commission further time for consideration of questions to be put before the public.

Attached are suggested questions for the proposed mail-out for Commission review and modification.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

"I move to submit questions to the public in substantially the same format as those attached. These questions are to be included in a community-wide mail-out or other distribution as soon as funding allows."

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS:

1. Are you City or a rural resident?
 City Rural
2. Are you for or against consolidation?
 For Against
3. Would you vote for consolidation if your taxes remained the same?
 Yes No
1. Would you like the existing rural service areas to remain intact in the consolidated government?
 Yes No
5. In an effort to reduce the size of government, would you be in favor of "consolidating" the existing rural service areas into just two services areas, North and South of the City limits prior to the Shoreline Annexation?
 Yes No
6. Would you vote for consolidation if you were able to elect an assemblymembers from districts if an appropriate number were from each district?
 Yes No
8. Are you in favor of service areas or one central government for all?
 Service Areas Central Government
9. Are you in favor of four (4) service areas which would include: City limits before Shoreline Annexation; City limits to the north end of the road; City limits to the south end of the road; and All other areas, including Pennock, Gravina and outlying areas?
 Yes No
10. If it were shown that a balance could be made between property and sales taxes, with funding still provided for those service area services and no increases in property taxes occurred, would you be in favor of one areawide sales tax instead of the existing 2-_% Borough and 3% City sales taxes?
 Yes No
11. Should the initial terms of office for new Assemblymembers be determined by vote totals or by drawing lots or some other form of random choice?
 Number of votes Drawing of lots or random choice
12. How many assemblymembers should make up the new government's

Assembly?

Five Seven Eight Nine _____

13. Are you in favor of an Enterprise fund to operate all ports & harbors and the Airport?
 Yes No

1. Are you in favor of splitting KPU water away from the Utility into the Public Works Department?
 Yes No

15. While this would not be a function of the Charter, are you in favor of privatizing (selling) KPU Telephone?
 Yes No

17. A number of services currently are provided by the City and Borough on an areawide and nonareawide basis. Which of the following services should the new government, on an areawide basis or on a nonareawide basis, provide? (Note: Areawide means everyone gets the service and pays for the service; nonareawide means the services are just in specific areas and only those residents of that specific area pay for the service.)

Service	Areawide	Nonareawide
Education (Mandatory Areawide)		
Assessment & Collection of Property, Sales, and Transient Occupancy Taxes (Mandatory Areawide)		
Platting, Planning and Land Use Regulations (Mandatory Areawide)		
Parks & Recreation		
Transportation		
Animal Control		
Economic Development		
Emergency 911 Dispatch		
Library		
Museum		
Civic Center		
Mental Health & Substance Abuse		
Hospital		
Public Health		
Cemetery		
Solid Waste Disposal		
Ports & Harbors		
Police		
Wastewater Collection, Treatment & Discharge		
Building Code Enforcement		
EMS		
Streets, Road Maintenance & Public Works		
Fire Suppression		

