

KETCHIKAN CHARTER COMMISSION

AGENDA STATEMENT

NO H-4

MEETING OF July 7, 2004

ITEM TITLE Amend Article I, Section 1.01 – Name SUBMITTED BY Debby Otte
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SUMMARY STATEMENT

Earlier in the DRAFT Charter review process, it was decided by the Commissioners to keep the name of the new government simple and to have as little change on the status quo as possible. The Commissioners at that time voted to change the name of the municipal corporation to Ketchikan, with permission given in the Charter to use the City and Borough of Ketchikan, as well.

It was brought to the Commission's attention that both the City and the Borough will be dissolved as entities upon consolidation, so using those titles would not be appropriate in a name used by the new government.

This proposed amendment would rectify that situation while still keeping the Commission's intent intact.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

"I move to amend Article I, Section 1.01 – Name by deleting the words City and Borough and adding the words Municipality of in their place. The new Section 1.01 would read, "The municipal corporation shall be known as "Ketchikan". Whenever it deems in the public interest to do so, the municipality may use the name "Municipality of Ketchikan."