



## LOCAL BOUNDARY COMMISSION

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### STATE OF ALASKA LOCAL BOUNDARY COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting for January 28, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.  
Via Zoom

Chair Larry Wood called the meeting to order at approximately 1:35 p.m. Commissioners John Harrington, and Clay Walker were present. Commissioners Ely Cyrus and Clayton Trotter were not present. Also present were LBC staff Jedediah Smith, Assistant Attorney General Gene Hickey, and approximately 20 members of the public.

Commissioner Harrington motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Chair Wood opened the floor to comments from the public on the commission's annual report to the legislature. Senator Mike Cronk asked the commission to clarify a statement in the cover letter regarding disincentives to borough formation and revenue potential. He also noted the report failed to mention any action the commission took regarding legislation during the previous year's legislative session.

Commissioner Harrington motioned to adopt the annual report to the legislature. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion.

Commissioner Harrington referred to past staff reports on borough formation, including the 2003 study on unorganized areas of Alaska that meet borough incorporation standards. He moved to amend the report to include a footnote citing the reference. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. The motion to amend the report passed 3-0.

Chair Wood said the commission adopted official positions on House Bill 150 and House Bill 279. Commissioner Harrington motioned to amend the report to include a summary of LBC comments regarding legislation. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. The motion to amend the report was adopted 3-0.

Chair Wood restated the motion to adopt the Local Boundary Commission's annual report to the legislature as amended. The motion was adopted 3-0.

Commissioner Harrington motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

**APPROVED: February 18 2025**

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LARRY WOOD, CHAIR

**ATTEST:**

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JEDEDIAH SMITH, STAFF