



**CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL  
PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA  
Tuesday, July 23, 2013  
6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Hearing Items:
  - a. AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA TO ADJUST THE RATE OF CONSUMER SALES TAX LEVIED WITHIN THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA *(second reading)*
4. Written Testimony
5. Oral Testimony
6. Adjournment

# **Agenda Item 3a**

## **CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL**

**BOROUGH ASSEMBLY  
PUBLIC HEARING ITEM  
July 23, 2013**

### **INFORMATION:**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA TO ADJUST THE RATE OF CONSUMER SALES TAX LEVIED WITHIN THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA (*second reading*)**

### **Attachments**

1. Proposed Ordinance
2. Letter to sponsors regarding Petition for Initiative Ordinance, dated September 6, 2012
3. Sufficiency of Initiative Petition, dated November 30, 2012

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CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL

ORDINANCE No. 869

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND  
BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA TO ADJUST THE  
RATE OF CONSUMER SALES TAX LEVIED WITHIN THE  
CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VOTING CITIZENS OF THE CITY AND  
BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA.

SEC. 1        Action. The purpose of this ordinance is to adjust the rate of Consumer sales tax within the City and Borough of Wrangell. This ordinance amends Section 5.08.020 of the Wrangell Municipal Code.

SEC. 2        Amendment. Section 5.08.020 of the Wrangell Municipal code is amended as follows:

The words: "The consumer sales tax is levied in the amount of seven percent of the sales price" are stricken from Section 5.08.020 of the Wrangell Municipal Code and replaced with the words, "The consumer sales tax is levied in the amount of five and one half percent (5.5%) of the sales price."

SEC. 3        Effect of the Amendment. The effect of this ordinance is that Section 5.08.020 of the Wrangell Municipal Code is amended to read in its entirety:

The consumer sales tax is levied in the amount of five and one half percent (5.5%) of the sales price of all retail sales, on all rents, and on all services, made, paid or performed within the municipality.

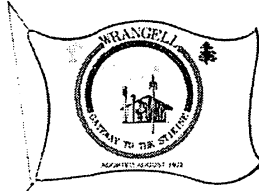
SEC. 4        Classification. This is a permanent code ordinance.

SEC. 5        Initiative Election. The Proposition to approve this ordinance would adjust the rate of consumer sales tax levied within the City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska, and shall Ordinance No. 869 of the Borough authorizing the sales tax adjustment be approved, and that the Proposition be submitted to the qualified voters of the Borough for approval or rejection at the next regular borough election, to be held October 1, 2013.

CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL

PROPOSITION 1

Kim Flores, Borough Clerk



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September 6, 2012  
Via US Mail and Email

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Re: Petition Booklets for Initiative Ordinance

Dear Mr. Christian and Ms. Dawson:

The Petition booklets for the Initiative Ordinance to adjust the Rate of Consumer Sales Tax Levied within the City & Borough of Wrangell from seven percent (7%) to five and one half percent (5.5%) be placed on the ballot for the next Regular Borough Election to be held October 1, 2013 shall be prepared and will be ready for pickup at my office, no later than the afternoon of September 6, 2012.

As the contact person, you are responsible for notifying sponsors that the petition will be available at that time. In reference to WMC 2.32.030 (C), copies of the petition shall be provided by the clerk to each sponsor who appears in the clerk's office and requests a petition, and the clerk shall mail the petition to each sponsor who requests that the petition be mailed.

Per WMC 2.32.040 (A), the signatures on an initiative or referendum petition shall be secured within 90 days after the clerk issues the petition.

*Letter to Mr. Christian and Ms. Dawson*  
*September 6, 2012*  
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Also, per WMC 2.32.050 (A), all copies of an initiative or referendum petition shall be assembled and filed as a single instrument.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Flores". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Kim Flores  
Borough Clerk

cc: Mayor/Assembly Members  
Borough Manager  
Borough Attorney



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November 30, 2012  
Via US Mail and Email

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Re: Sufficiency of Initiative Petition

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Christian:

Upon review and in consultation with the Borough Attorneys, I hereby certify that the Initiative Petition to adjust the Rate of Consumer Sales Tax Levied within the City & Borough of Wrangell from seven percent (7%) to five and one half percent (5.5%) is sufficient and filed with the City and Borough of Wrangell.

There were a total of 113 valid signatures received as of November 21, 2012, of which 94 signatures were needed.

  
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Kim Flores, Borough Clerk

11-30-12  
Date:

cc: Mayor and Assembly Members  
Borough Attorney  
Borough Manager