

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION COMMISSION VACANCIES

Multiple vacancies currently exist on the Economic Diversification Commission due to resignation and term expiration. The City of Valdez is accepting applications from citizens who would like to be considered for appointment.

One vacancy to serve a one year term, expiring September 2018 One vacancy to serve a two year term, expiring September 2019 Three vacancies to serve a three year term, expiring September 2020

Members of the commission shall be diversified to the maximum extent possible and appointed to represent specific industry sectors of the economy. No two members may be appointed to serve concurrently from the same industry sector. <u>Appointees representing the following industry sectors will be considered to fill the current</u> <u>vacancies:</u> (1) accommodations, (2) commercial fisheries, (3) contracting/trades, (4) food & beverage, (5) healthcare, (6) microbusiness/nonprofessional sole proprietors, (7) professional services – attorney, engineer, banker, real estate, media, etc., (8) seafood processing, (9) sport fisheries, (10) summer tours & attractions, (11) transportation, (12) utilities, or (13) winter tours & attractions.

The commission is an advisory commission to the city council. It shall have the authority to prepare and submit for approval a comprehensive economic diversification strategy for the overall economic diversification of the community; prepare and recommend for approval reports and plans regarding socioeconomic data and specific sectors of the economy; review and make recommendations to the council for approval of strategic plans, plans of work and funding requests of agencies, organizations, and event sponsors; review and make recommendations for approval on projects submitted for economic development grant funding opportunities; receive, consider and evaluate public input, opinions and recommendations regarding economic diversification programs of the city and advise the city council of any findings or recommendations; and other duties related to economic diversification as outlined in Chapter 2.60 of Valdez municipal code.

Online applications may be submitted through the City's boards and commission application portal at <u>www.ci.valdez.ak.us/boardsandcommissions</u>. Paper applications are available at City Hall and can be submitted by email to <u>aferko@ci.valdez.ak.us</u> or dropped off at the front desk of City Hall. <u>Deadline for submission is Monday</u>, <u>September 11, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.</u> for appointment by City Council on September 19, 2017. As there are multiple vacancies with different term expirations, applicants should note term length preference on their application.