CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA ORDINANCE NO. 2015-54

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA REPEALING SITKA GENERAL CODE AT CHAPTER 2.66 ENTITLED "TOURISM COMMISSION"

- 1. <u>CLASSIFICATION.</u> This Ordinance is of a permanent nature and is intended to become part of the Sitka General Code ("SGC").
- 2. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>. If any provision of this Ordinance or any application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and application to any person or circumstances shall not be affected.
- 3. <u>PURPOSE.</u> This Ordinance repeals SGC at Chapter 2.66 entitled "Tourism Commission." Due to the inactivity of the Tourism Commission, the Assembly has directed staff to bring forward an ordinance for consideration to repeal the Commission.
- 4. **ENACTMENT.** NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka that SGC 2.66 *et seq.* entitled "Tourism Commission" is repealed to read as follows (new language underlined; deleted language stricken):

Title 2 ADMINISTRATION

Chapters:

- 2.04 City and Borough Assembly
- 2.08 City and Borough Departments
- 2.12 City and Borough of Sitka Hospital Board
- 2.13 Health Needs and Human Services Commission
- 2.14 Historic Trust Board
- 2.16 Library Commission
- 2.18 Planning Commission
- 2.19 Police and Fire Commission
- 2.20 Fire Department
- 2.25 Sitka Police Department
- 2.32 Strategic Planning Commission
- 2.36 Public Notice of Meetings
- 2.38 Gary Paxton Industrial Park
- 2.40 Elections
- 2.44 Municipal Court

- 2.46 Municipal Correctional Officers
- 2.47 Steps for Disaster Preparedness
- 2.54 Sitka Tree and Landscape Committee
- 2.56 Parks and Recreation Committee
- 2.58 Sitka Historical Preservation Commission
- 2.60 Municipal Boards, Commissions and Committees
- 2.62 Sitka Investment Committee
- 2.64 Seafood Processing Economic Development Committee
- 2.66 Tourism Commission

Chapter 2.66 TOURISM COMMISSION

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Sections:

- 2.66.010 Established Membership Terms.
- 2.66.020 Compensation.
- 2.66.030 Filling vacancies.
- 2.66.040 Organization.
- 2.66.050 Duties.

2.66.010 Established Membership Terms.

- A. There shall be established a commission to be known as the tourism commission which shall consist of seven members appointed by the assembly. Appointment of members is recommended from the following groups:
- 1. Sitka Tribe of Alaska;
- 2. Sitka economic development association and/or the Sitka chamber of commerce;
- 3. Sitka conservation society and/or Sitka trail works;
- 4. Sitka charter boat operators association;
- 5. Commercial fishing industry worker, manager or owner;
- 6. Community at large; and
- 7. Sitka convention and visitors' bureau.

- B. Members of the tourism commission shall be appointed to terms of three years, except for the first tourism commission, who shall be appointed and serve terms as follows for the seats designated in subsection A of this section:
- 1. Three years:
- a. Member appointed based on nominee(s) from Sitka Tribe of Alaska;
- b. Member appointed based on nominee(s) from Sitka charter boat operators association; and
- c. Member appointed who is current or former commercial fishing industry worker, manager or owner;
- 2. Two years:
- a. Member appointed based on nominee(s) from Sitka economic development association and/or the Sitka chamber of commerce; and
- b. Member appointed based on nominee(s) from Sitka conservation society and/or Sitka trail works;
- 3. One year: two community at large members.

2.66.020 Compensation.

Members of the tourism commission shall not receive compensation for services performed as commission members.

2.66.030 Filling vacancies.

In the event of a vacancy on the tourism commission caused by death, resignation, inability to serve, or any other reason, before the expiration of the term of any member, the assembly shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term. At the time of a vacancy, the assembly shall give public notice of no less than three days that there is a vacancy on the tourism commission, and identify the particular vacant seat as provided in Section $2.66.010(\Lambda)$. Any group that qualifies to make nominations as provided in Section $2.66.010(\Lambda)(1)$ through (4) may submit nomination(s). Any interested person who qualifies for the particular vacant seat as provided in Section $2.66.010(\Lambda)(5)$ and (6) may apply. However, the assembly is not limited to those applying or nominated when filling a vacancy.

2.66.040 Organization.

The tourism commission shall organize itself only after all seats on the commission have been appointed by the assembly. The tourism commission members shall elect a chair and secretary annually during the first meeting of each year. Meetings are to be held no less than four times per year. Minutes of all meetings shall be furnished to the office of the clerk.

2.66.050 Duties.

The tourism commission shall:

- A. Advise and make recommendations to the assembly on tourism-related community issues;
- B. Assist the assembly as directed on tourism-related community issues;
- C. Coordinate and communicate with diverse community groups on tourism-related issues, including local, state and federal government entities, business interests, nonprofits, and the community at large; and
- D. Assist the assembly with signage projects, including interpretive signs and visitor directional signs.
- 5. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance shall become effective the day after the date of its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska this 10th day of November, 2015.

Mim McConnell, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Sara Peterson, CMC Municipal Clerk

1st reading 10/27/15 2nd reading 11/10/15