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FROM: Beth McEwen, Municipal Clerk/Election Official

RE: CBJ Elections Updates

Over the past month, Clerk staff has been shifting into election mode as the construction of the new Thane Ballot Processing Center winds down and the installation, testing, and training on our new equipment has ramped up. Beginning the week of August 29, we will be in full election mode with all other Clerk duties taking second or lower priority through the conclusion of the election cycle at the end of October.

It is our goal to schedule some time slots for Assemblymembers, staff, and the public (in small groups) to tour the new facility during the week of September 6-9 before we have “live ballots” on site for the October 4, 2022 Regular Municipal Election.

On May 16, 2022, the Assembly adopted Resolution 2982 reaffirming the CBJ Assembly District Boundaries based on the 2020 Census Data. We then received notice from the State of Alaska Division of Elections in July that they were implementing temporary redistricting maps which subsequently renumbered the House Districts and precinct numbers as well as changed their maps. There was not sufficient time after we received notice from the state to make the necessary changes to our local election Assembly District Maps in time for the October 4, 2022 Municipal Election Cycle. As such, we will be unable to split the results data for our municipal election out according to district/precinct boundaries as we have in the past. This year’s results will therefore just be reported out as overall results for each race without any more granular statistics based on geographic representation. I will however provide a final report to the Assembly following the conclusion of the election on a variety of election statistics including how many votes were received By Mail, via Secure Drop Box, or at a Vote Center.

Following the conclusion of this year’s election cycle, I will work with our GIS Cartographer and the Law Department to bring a new resolution back to the Assembly with respect to the Assembly District re-mapping/re-numbering needs based on the State Division of Elections final redistricting maps.