

**PETERSBURG BOROUGH  
ORDINANCE #2023-10**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 16.12.030(A) OF CHAPTER 16.12, ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF BOROUGH OWNED LANDS, OF THE PETERSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBES TO THE LIST OF ENTITIES THAT MAY PURCHASE BOROUGH PROPERTY FOR LESS THAN ASSESSED VALUE IF DETERMINED BY THE ASSEMBLY TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BOROUGH**

**WHEREAS**, PMC Section 16.12.030(A) provides for the sale of Borough-owned land to a state or federal agency or nonprofit entity for less than assessed value if determined by the Assembly to be in the best interest of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the Petersburg Indian Association requests to be added to this section so they may purchase Borough property at a price lower than assessed value and construct housing units to rent to Petersburg residents; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a recognized shortage of available housing in Petersburg for residents and to address this, in part, the Assembly recently established a Housing Task Force to study the housing shortage and present their findings along with ideas to increase available/affordable housing opportunities.

**THEREFORE, THE PETERSBURG BOROUGH ORDAINS**, Section 16.12.030(A) of the Petersburg Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows. The language proposed for addition is in bolded red and underlined.

**Section 1. Classification:** This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall be codified in the Petersburg Municipal Code.

**Section 2. Purpose:** The purpose of this ordinance is to amend Section 16.12.030(A) to add federally recognized tribes to the list of entities that may purchase Borough property for less than assessed value if determined by the Assembly to be in the best interest of the Borough.

**Section 3. Substantive Provisions:**

**16.12.030 – Disposal to state or federal agency, **federally recognized tribe**, or nonprofit entity, or for purposes of economic development.**

A. The borough may dispose of borough real property for less than the assessed value to a state or federal agency, **federally recognized tribe**, or nonprofit entity, for considerations determined by the borough assembly to be in the best interest of the borough.

**Section 4. Severability:** 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 and circumstance shall not be affected.

**Section 5. Effective Date:** This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon final passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Petersburg Borough Assembly, Petersburg, Alaska this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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**Mark Jensen, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Debra K. Thompson, Borough Clerk**

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