

**NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 2014-20**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CREATION OF A
STAND-ALONE DEPARTMENT OF IÑUPIAT
HISTORY, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE WITHIN
THE NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH**

WHEREAS, the North Slope Borough established the Iñupiat History, Language and Culture (IHLC) Commission under the North Slope Borough Municipal Code of Ordinances (NSBMC) Chapter 2.16; and

WHEREAS, the IHLC Commission is the historic preservation commission for the North Slope Borough; and

WHEREAS, the IHLC Commission recognizes that there is an ongoing and significant need of further study, documentation and perpetuation in the areas of land use, history, language and culture; and

WHEREAS, the residents of North Slope Borough continue to experience the loss of Iñupiaq language and culture; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Community Services has administered the gathering and preservation of data regarding Iñupiat history, language and culture through the IHLC Commission, Iñupiat Heritage Center and Simon Paneak Memorial Museum; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a separate Department of Iñupiat History, Language and Culture, that is no longer housed within the Department of Planning and Community Services, will facilitate more direct communication between the IHLC, the North Slope Borough Mayor and the Assembly, thereby allowing the IHLC to more effectively fulfill its duties and responsibilities as outlined in NSBMC Chapter 2.16; and

WHEREAS, North Slope Borough Charter Sec. 4.060(a) provides that the Assembly shall use ordinances to establish, alter or abolish municipal departments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become part of the Borough Code.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 3. Effectiveness. This code ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

SECTION 4. Repeal, Amendment and Adoption of Sections. Code Sections 19.05.040(A)(6) and 19.05.040(A)(7) are hereby repealed, Code Section 2.16.010 is hereby amended to read as set forth below in Exhibit A with new language indicated by underling and **bolding**, and deleted language by brackets and strike through [~~brackets~~] and Code Sections 20.01.010 through 20.01.040 are hereby adopted as annexed in Exhibit B hereto as part of the Code of Ordinances of the North Slope Borough.

INTRODUCED: 12/02/2014
ADOPTED: 02/04/2015



Forrest D. Olemaun, President

Date: 2-4-15

ATTEST:



Sheila Burke, Borough Clerk

Date: 2-4-15



Charlotte E. Brower, Mayor

Date: 2-4-15

EXHIBIT A

§ 2.16.010 ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby created [~~in the office of the Mayor of~~] **within** the North Slope Borough the Inupiat History, Language and Culture Commission.

EXHIBIT B

TITLE 20: - IÑUPIAT HISTORY, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

CHAPTER 20.01: - DEPARTMENT OF IÑUPIAT HISTORY, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

§ 20.01.010 CREATED

§ 20.01.020 DIRECTOR OF IÑUPIAT HISTORY, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

§ 20.01.030 DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE DIRECTOR

§ 20.01.040 FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF IÑUPIAT HISTORY, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

§ 20.01.010 CREATED.

There is hereby created within the North Slope Borough a Department of Iñupiat History, Language and Culture.

§ 20.01.020 DIRECTOR OF IÑUPIAT HISTORY, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE.

- (A) The principal executive officer of the Department of Iñupiat History, Language and Culture is the Director of Iñupiat History, Language and Culture.
- (B) The Director of Iñupiat History, Language and Culture shall be appointed by the Mayor.

§ 20.01.030 DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE DIRECTOR.

- (A) The Director of Iñupiat History, Language and Culture shall:
 - (1) Act in furtherance of the Department's mission to document, preserve and perpetuate the history, language and culture of the North Slope Region and to ensure that cultural issues are given appropriate consideration during the planning process.
 - (2) Perform and exercise all powers incident to the duties of this office as prescribed by state and federal law, this code of ordinances and such other duties not in conflict therewith as may be assigned by the Mayor.
 - (3) Have authority over and direct the activities and functions of the Department.
 - (4) Prescribe policy and procedure, with the approval of the Mayor, as may be necessary for the effective and efficient operation of the Department.

§ 20.01.040 FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF IÑUPIAT HISTORY, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE.

- (A) The Department of Iñupiat History, Language and Culture shall be responsible for the following functions:
- (1) Administer the duties and responsibilities of the Iñupiat History, Language and Culture Commission as outlined in NSBMC Chapter 2.16;
 - (2) Provide for a traditional land use data base covering the entire Borough including mapping and graphic services;
 - (3) Gather, preserve and disseminate data regarding Iñupiat history, language and culture;
 - (4) Administer the Borough's support of the Simon Paneak Museum in Anaktuvuk Pass;
 - (5) Administer the Borough's support of the Iñupiat Heritage Center in Barrow