

## Comparison Table for Election Voting Method Options 2020

In light of COVID-19, the October 6, 2020 Municipal Election will encounter significant challenges. Below is our Status Quo election process as compared to conducting a By Mail Election in partnership with the Municipality of Anchorage. Having watched other jurisdictions in Alaska and across the nation, our status quo is not a realistic option. Time is of the essence to decide which method to use.

<b>TYPE OF ELECTION:</b>	<b>BY MAIL ELECTION with assistance from the Municipality of Anchorage Vote Center</b>	<b>STATUS QUO ELECTION (Precincts + Absentee Stations)</b>
<b>Require Purchase of New Election Equipment?</b>	Yes \$85,000 for Vote Centers, ballot drop boxes & other equipment	Yes* 2020 Election only \$35,300
<b>Additional Space Required for Election?</b>	No, primary space needs would be met at Anchorage Election Center. Juneau space needs could be met w/use of Chambers, Rm237 & Election Closet \$6,000	Due to COVID-19, new locations would be needed for some polls. Use of some churches and BRH as polling places is not realistic.
<b>Printing/Mailing &amp; Advertising</b>	\$48,000	\$30,200
<b>Personnel Costs</b>	\$35,000	\$33,000
<b>Code Change or Motion required?</b>	Per CBJ 29.07.060, a MOTION is required by the Assembly to call for a By Mail election. Some Code changes would be required to proceed with this type of election.	Minor/housekeeping code changes had been planned in advance of the 2020 election.
<b>OVERALL COST ESTIMATES</b>	<b>\$174,000</b>	<b>\$98,500 for 2020 Election</b>

\* In light of COVID-19, additional equipment would need to be purchased to ensure safe voting and ballot handling practices.