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Comments on the incorporation of Talkeetna.

I continue to oppose the incorporation of Talkeetna in any form. It does not make sense socially, environmentally, or economically. Taxes would be added on top of taxes, especially for those who can least afford it. There is no way a local government would be able to take on the responsibilities now carried by the State + borough. It would be a disaster for public services + utilities.

Incorporation is the idea of a few self-serving individuals looking for well-funded city jobs. Public opinion is running roughly 99% against it. But the process lumbers on like a headless monster. Please kill it before it multiplies — or wastes any more of our time.

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