

# 2022 Official Candidate Statement

## City & Borough of Juneau, Alaska

### Carole Triem

#### Candidate: Areawide Assemblymember



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**Age:** 34

**Occupation:** Program Manager

**Spouse's Name:** Sean Maguire

**Place of Birth:** Petersburg, Alaska

**Length of Residency in Juneau:** 8 years

**Education:** B.A. Economics Seattle University; Masters of Public Policy, Georgetown University

#### **Biographical Information** *[limited to 150 words or less.]:*

Carole was born in Petersburg. Growing up, her first paychecks came from the tourism industry at age 12 – she was a Norwegian dancer performing for small cruise ships. Carole attended Seattle University and earned a degree in economics. Graduating during the Great Recession, she struggled along with many other young people to find a job that would pay both the rent and student loan payments. Seeking a career path focused on public service, Carole attended Georgetown University where she earned a Masters in Public Policy. Carole returned to Alaska in 2014, moving to Juneau to work for the State of Alaska. In 2019 she met her husband Sean and the two of them live downtown with their cat Siri.

**Biographical Information** *[continued...]*

Carole and Sean (but not Siri) love to explore Alaska through hiking and camping. A lifelong swimmer, Carole is also a semi-regular attendee of the Glacier Swim Club master's team.

**Advocacy Statement** *[limited to 250 words or less.]:*

Carole was elected to the Assembly in 2018 and was the first millennial member to serve on the Assembly. She felt compelled to step up and serve, knowing she wanted to have a positive impact on Juneau's future. Even now, Carole is still the youngest member of the Assembly, which means she thinks of Juneau's future in terms of decades.

Mayor Beth Weldon appointed Carole to chair the Visitor Industry Taskforce in 2019. Carole led the community through a robust public process that ultimately resulted in unanimously accepted recommendations to manage the tourism industry in Juneau. As an Assembly member, Carole remains committed to implementing those recommendations.

Since 2020 Carole has chaired the Assembly Finance Committee. Her background in economics makes her well qualified to lead the Assembly through its annual budget process as it faces the challenges of near-record high inflation, sky rocketing insurance costs, and a challenging labor market. She examines financial decisions with logic and reasoning, to ensure that Juneau taxpayers get the outcomes they deserve from their local government.