

2026 Official Candidate Statement

City & Borough of Juneau, Alaska

Paul Roy Kelly

Candidate: Assembly Areawide



Name as it appears on the ballot:	Paul Roy Kelly
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Age:	42
Occupation:	Application Developer
Spouse:	Supanika Ordóñez
Children:	Timothy Ackerman (12) and James Ackerman (10)
Place of birth:	Anchorage, AK
Length of residency in Juneau:	9 years
Communities lived in:	Anchorage, Alaska; Juneau, Alaska; Barbezieux-Saint-Hilaire, France; and Thouars, France
Education:	High School Diploma from Dimond High School (2003), Bachelor of Science in Computer Systems Engineering from the University of Alaska Anchorage (2016)
Political work:	Legislative Aide (January-May 2017), Juneau Board of Education (October 2018-October 2021), Juneau Assembly (2023-current)

Boards:

AFSCME/ASEA Local 52 – Juneau Chapter Executive Board

Special interests:

Hiking, Gardening, Traveling, Swimming, Writing

Biographical information:

I was born and grew up in Anchorage. Nine years ago, I came down to Juneau for work, fell in love with the community and stayed. In those nine years, I've lived in many different parts of Juneau, which I feel has given me a broader perspective of our community. I've lived downtown, in Switzer Village, rented an attic in Fritz Cove, and bought my first home in West Juneau. I first met my wife, Supanika, and her two children five years ago. We married last year and share a home in Twin Lakes. A year ago we adopted two cats originally named after glaciers: (Wolverine) Wolvie Wednesday, and Taku Tuesday.

Juneau is my chosen home. It's where I hope my wife and I can grow old, and where we hope our children choose to make their homes. My time on the Assembly is meant to be an investment in our community and in that future.

Position statement:

When I ran for the Assembly in 2023 my priorities were addressing homelessness, supporting public education, and diversifying our tourism economy with more of a year-round focus on independent travelers.

As I've served, I've found passion in more priorities. The annual Glacial Lake Outburst Flood has become front-and-center for the entire Assembly. I've prioritized working with the people who are most affected and advocating for them. We also need a change in how we manage our waste-stream. Now that the existing dump is reaching capacity, I believe Juneau needs a better alternative where we can set our own hours and pricing.

In 2023, I won in a field of 10 contenders by working hard and listening. That work ethic carried over into my work as an Assembly member.

Before I was even sworn in, I started doing office hours every Saturday morning to keep in touch with my constituents. Last year, I started distributing a monthly report. This report helps my constituents keep track of our committees where the Assembly's decisions start to coalesce, and Assembly meetings where most decisions are ultimately made.

I also invested a great deal of my personal time in ending the policy of disbursed camping. An informal task force met throughout the winter, and earlier this year resulted in St. Vincent de Paul keeping the Cold Weather Emergency Shelter open year-round. This meant people have a place to go at night instead of resting wherever they could set up camp. I attended nearly every meeting of this task force and led a few of those meetings myself. There is still a lot more work to do.

If you re-elect me this October, I'll continue to work hard for you. I'll continue to listen. I'll advocate for our families in the Mendenhall Valley dealing with the flood. I'll advocate for giving the community more control over its waste management. I'll continue putting in the work on homelessness and housing insecurity, supporting public education, and helping to diversify our tourism industry.