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# Coffey hijacking Anchorage 2020 (in secret!)

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A number of people are asking, "What's wrong with businessman and lawyer Dan Coffey rewriting Anchorage's zoning code?"

The biggest problem is that his work has been done in secret, behind closed doors for over a year now. We have only a tiny glimpse (from a Daily News interview) whom he talked with and how they advised him. Municipal employees who have seen his work are not allowed to disclose the contents. But we do know that it is a rewrite, without typical editing marks, of chapters the Assembly provisionally adopted over a period of several years.

Compare this process with the publicly noticed meetings and detailed reports be-



officials stated that the rewrite process would be transparent from start to finish, unlike past custom where community decisions would be made in public and then some of the city's more powerful leaders would go to the mayor's office and "fix" elements they didn't like.

*Enough is enough. It is time for Title 21 to go public again. Mr. Coffey's rewrite should be released now. The Assembly should bring up the provisionally adopted chapters for final adoption.*

sidewalks, preferring "business as usual" without government interference.

In a recent fundraising letter, Mr. Coffey deplored Title 21 as imposing "costly and unnecessary government regulations on development." He made it sound as if Anchorage should not learn from the Lower

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This is more double-speak.

These cowards stopped sending their fish-wrap to the library here, they don't like us making them look like idiots.