

Introduced by:	Mayor
Date:	09/07/04
Shortened Hearing:	09/21/04
Action:	Enacted
Vote:	9 Yes, 0 No

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2004-19-10**

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING A GRANT FROM THE
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOREST SERVICE, IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$70,000 FOR FOREST HEALTH RESTORATION**

- WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough is currently implementing a Forest Health Restoration Program to mitigate the effects of the spruce bark beetle infestation; and
- WHEREAS,** the KPB is dedicated to reforesting all public land harvested for fuel reduction, and through Ordinance 2000-19-19 appropriated \$1,050,000 towards reforesting spruce bark beetle infested land; and
- WHEREAS,** through enactment of Ordinance 2003-19-11 the Borough accepted \$68,200 from the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (“Forest Service”) to supplement the cost of the Borough’s 2004 reforestation program; and
- WHEREAS,** the KPB is scheduled to plant approximately 1,400 acres at a cost of \$280,140 during the summer of 2005 to rehabilitate borough-owned land harvested because of the spruce bark beetle infestation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Forest Service has funding available for the borough’s 2005 Forest Health Restoration Program on a cost-share basis of 25 percent Forest Service / 75 percent KPB towards 2005 Borough planting costs; and
- WHEREAS,** the Planning Department submitted a proposal to the Forest Service for \$70,035 to supplement its costs of the Forest Health Restoration Program; and
- WHEREAS,** the Borough has received notice of award of a grant in the amount of \$70,000; and
- WHEREAS,** the grant program requires a local match in the amount of 75 percent of the project cost, or \$210,105; and
- WHEREAS,** matching funds in the amount of \$210,105 for this purpose will be provided from the approved FY05 Planning Department budget - Spruce Bark Beetle account 262.21320.01BT3.43011 (Contract Services); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to accept and appropriate the Forest Service grant money to benefit the ongoing Borough Forest Health Restoration Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

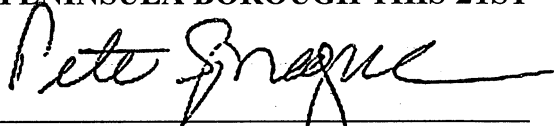
SECTION 1. That the mayor is authorized to accept a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, in the amount of \$70,000 for the Borough Forest Health Restoration program and is authorized to execute a grant agreement and any other documents deemed necessary to accept and expend the grant and to fulfill the intents and purposes of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That grant funds in the amount of \$70,000 are hereby appropriated to account 262.21320.05FOR.43011 (Contract Services).

SECTION 3. That due to the length and nature of this project, the appropriation established through this ordinance shall not lapse at the end of any particular fiscal year.

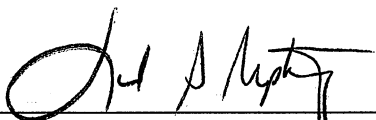
SECTION 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon enactment.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 21ST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2004.



Pete Sprague, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk