

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ron Long, Assembly President
Members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: John J. Williams, Borough Mayor
Craig Chapman, Finance Director

FROM: Bonnie L. Golden, Grants Manager

COPY: Nikiski Fire Service Area

DATE: July 26, 2007

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2007-19-09: Accepting and appropriating on behalf of Nikiski Fire Service Area a Volunteer Fire Assistance grant from the Alaska Department of Natural Resources

The Nikiski Fire Service Area (“Service Area”) has been awarded a \$7,370 grant under the 2007 Volunteer Fire Assistance (“VFA”) grant program. The Alaska Department of Natural Resources administers these federal funds.

Grant funds may be used for equipment purchases or training. The VFA grant program requires a minimum 10 percent match. Expenditures for fire fighting equipment or training made by the Service Area during the 2007 calendar year are eligible costs under the grant program. The Service Area has sufficient funds in its current operating budget to meet the matching requirements. The Service Area Board of Directors approved the acceptance of the grant at its meeting on July 11, 2007.

The grant program requires that the grant funds and matching funds be spent before December 31, 2007. Therefore, a shortened public hearing date of August 21, 2007, has been requested to allow sufficient time for expenditure of the grant and matching funds prior to termination of the grant period.

Attachments (Ordinance and Notification Letter from DNR)