

MEMORANDUM

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

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

FROM: Bonnie L. Golden, Grants Manager

DATE: August 22, 2007

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 2007-19-19: Accepting and appropriating three state grants totaling \$152,500 for school capital projects

Each year the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District and the Borough maintenance Department compile a list of capital improvement projects for schools. Also each year, this list is included in the Borough Legislative Priorities, requesting funding from the State. The School Board and the Borough Assembly approved this list of projects for the 2007 legislative session. Funding for some of these projects was included in Senate Bill 53, the State's capital budget, which was passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor in June 2007. The State Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development ("DCCED") has notified the Borough that \$152,500 is available for three school-related projects. Legislative grants do not require any matching funds and are available for up to five years.

The three school projects that have received grant awards through DCCED are:

- Nikiski High School – Security Project - \$40,000
- Soldotna Elementary School – Roof Repair - \$75,000
- Soldotna Middle School – Gym Siding - \$37,500

Passage of the attached ordinance will accept and appropriate the grants, making funds available for capital improvement projects at three borough schools.

Attachments (ordinance; notification letters from DCCED)