Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 12/02/08
Hearing: 01/06/09
Action: Enacted as Amended
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2008-19-38

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING \$635,193 FROM THE ALASKA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION FOR TEACHER HOUSING IN TYONEK AND APPROPRIATING THE GRANT AND MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000 TO A CAPITAL PROJECT ACCOUNT

- WHEREAS, the number one capital priority for the School District is teacher housing in remote areas, especially Nanwalek and Tyonek; and
- WHEREAS, additional teacher housing is needed in the Village of Tyonek due to lack of adequate, affordable teacher housing in that community; and
- WHEREAS, the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation ("AHFC") has a Teacher, Health Professional, and Public Safety Housing Grant Program ("THHP") that provides funding for construction of teacher housing; and
- WHEREAS, the Borough applied for funding under the THHP program and has received a notice of intent to award a grant to the Borough in the amount of \$635,193; and
- WHEREAS, funding in the amount of \$300,000 was appropriated in the Borough's General Fund and transferred to the School Revenue Capital Project Fund in the fiscal year -2009 budget for teacher housing in Tyonek; and
- WHEREAS, the AHFC grant funds combined with the Borough funds are required to initiate this project, which includes platting the property, environmental review, entering into a long-term lease agreement with Tyonek Native Corporation, other site development activities and construction; and
- WHEREAS, the Borough Assembly expressed its support of this project through adoption of Resolution 2008-051 on June 3, 2008, which endorsed the grant application to AHFC, and through adoption of Resolution 2008-085 on November 18, 2008, which approved a request for additional funding from the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, for teacher housing in Tyonek; and
- **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to provide adequate housing for teachers in the Borough that will encourage quality educational professionals to remain in the community;

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 Alaska Housing Finance Corporation in the amount of \$635,193 for teacher housing in Tyonek 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 \$635,193 are appropriated to account 400.71140.9AHFC.49999 Tyonek teacher housing project.
- **SECTION 3.** That capital project funds in the amount of \$300,000 are appropriated from School Revenue Capital Projects Fund fund balance to account 400.71140.9AHFC.49999 Tyonek teacher housing project.
- **SECTION 4.** That due to the length and nature of this project, the appropriations established through this ordinance shall not lapse at the end of any particular fiscal year.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

Milli Martin, Assembly President

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ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk

Yes:

Fischer, Knopp, Long, Pierce, Smalley, Smith, Sprague, Superman, Martin

No:

None

Absent:

None