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Action:	Enacted
Vote:	9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2008-21**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING KPB CHAPTER 2.60, EMERGENCY SERVICE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, TO ADOPT NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES IN OPERATING THE BOROUGH'S ENHANCED 911 SYSTEM AND DESIGNATE THE TWO KPB PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS (PSAP) WITH SELECTIVE ROUTERS AS DEMARCATION POINTS FOR DELIVERY OF 911 CALLS BY CARRIERS

- WHEREAS,** the Borough is implementing a new Enhanced 911 system that will improve existing landline services and will include Wireless 911 Phase I and Phase II capability according to Federal Communications Commission Docket 94-102, as well as building a technical foundation for Next Generation 911 communications; and
- WHEREAS,** the Borough has acquired and is administering the technical infrastructure required for Enhanced 911, which include customer premise equipment, servers, routers, and databases necessary to support 911 call taking and dispatching; and
- WHEREAS,** the entry of new telecommunications carriers into the Borough has highlighted the need to adopt technical standards as well as consistent and documented operational practices to improve the coordination and deployment of 911 communications; and
- WHEREAS,** the National Emergency Number Association (NENA) is a membership organization representing the interests of public safety and emergency communications professionals, and publishes numerous Standards, Technical Information Documents and Operational Information Documents specifically related to 911 communications; and
- WHEREAS,** the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) is an accredited Standards Development Organization (SDO) by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI); and
- WHEREAS,** ATIS has chartered the Emergency Services Interconnection Forum (ESIF) that facilitates the identification and resolution of technical issues related to the interconnection of telephony and emergency services networks; and
- WHEREAS,** the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is an ANSI accredited SDO that develops, publishes, and disseminates consensus-based codes and standards that include the installation, performance, operation and maintenance of public emergency services communications systems and facilities; and

WHEREAS, NENA, ATIC, ASIF, and NFPA standards are all nationally recognized; and

WHEREAS, state and federal law requires telecommunications carriers to present 911 calls to a designated Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP); and

WHEREAS, to minimize the impact and reduce the costs to telecommunications carriers, the Borough has established two geographically separate demarcation points for carriers to terminate their inbound Enhanced 911 circuits; and

WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough 911 Advisory Board has the responsibility to advise the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly and Administration regarding the level of service, training, equipment, and budgeting needed to properly operate the Enhanced 911 emergency services communication centers and voted to support the adoption of these national standards and demarcation points at its meeting of June 4, 2008;

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

SECTION 1. That KPB 2.60.025 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

2.60.025. Enhanced 911 Standards.

That the Borough will utilize and adopt, to the extent technically and financially feasible, the most current nationally recognized national standards and recommendations as guidelines for the practices and procedures in the operation of the Borough's Enhanced 911 system. These shall include National Emergency Number Association (NENA), Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS), American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards for E911 systems.

SECTION 2. That KPB 2.60.027 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

2.60.027. Designation of Selective Router Demarcation Points.

The Borough hereby designates 253 Wilson Lane in Soldotna and 450 Marathon Road in Kenai as the two 911 PSAP Selective Router Demarcation Points solely for the purposes of 911 call delivery by telecommunications carriers.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 5TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2008.

Grace Merkes
Grace Merkes, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship
Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk



Yes: Fischer, Gilman, Knopp, Long, Martin, Smith, Sprague, Superman, Merkes
No: None
Absent: None