

## **KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH**

## Nikiski Fire Service Area

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Pete Sprague, Assembly President

Members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU:

David Carey, Borough Mayor Whichy

Sue Wilcox, Chief of Staff William

Craig Chapman, Finance Director & Chapman

Brenda Ahlberg, Community & Fiscal Projects Manager

FROM:

James Baisden, NFSA Fire Chief

DATE:

19 July 2010

SUBJECT:

Ordinance 2010-19-<u>09</u>, An ordinance accepting and appropriating \$73,000

from the State of Alaska to purchase an ambulance for the Nikiski Fire Service

Area.

The Nikiski Fire Service Area (NFSA) requested funding to purchase an ambulance in the borough's 2010 legislative priorities. Senate Bill 230, which appropriated funding in the amount of \$73,000 for this project, was passed by the State Legislature and signed by Governor Parnell on June 4, 2010.

The purpose of this project is to replace an aging nine year old ambulance with a new advanced, life support ambulance. The current ambulance has an excessive number of miles due to transports from the service area to the Central Peninsula Hospital. A typical round trip averages 60 miles, which quickly adds wear and tear to heavy duty apparatus. Over 800 runs occur per year and approximately 75 percent of the service area runs are EMS-related.

The Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development has provided award notification, and the service area passed the motion to recommend acceptance of the grant at its regular board meeting held June 22, 2010. The total project cost has been included in the borough's FY11 budget in the amount of \$185,000. This legislative grant in the amount of \$73,000 will be used to supplement the project fund.

The NFSA Fire Chief will be the project manager on this project and shall provide grant

oversight and project completion.

Attachments: draft ordinance, award notification

	FINANCE DEPARTMENT FUNDS VERIFIED
Acct. No.	441.51110.11413.48514
Amount _	\$185,000.00
Ву:	Date: 7/20/10