

## Memorandum

TO: $\quad$ Pete Sprague, Assembly President
Members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly
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FROM: James Baisden, NFSA Fire Chief
DATE: 19 July 2010


SUBJECT: Ordinance 2010-19-09, 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


