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MEMORANDUM

TO: Pete Sprague, Assembly President
Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

THRU: *blc* David R. Carey, Mayor
cc Craig Chapman, Finance Director
MB Max Best, Planning Director

FROM: *ma* Marcus A. Mueller, Land Management Officer

DATE: September 30, 2010

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2010-40 Authorizing the Equal Value Exchange of Two Substandard Lots in Kasilof for a 0.69-acre Right-of-way Easement for the Relocation of Woods Drive With Cook Inlet Region, Inc.

The Kenai Peninsula Borough has been working toward the relocation of the first one-half mile of Woods Drive from its original alignment to an improved alignment crossing borough land. However in order to connect back into Woods Drive, right-of-way is needed from the adjacent landowner, Cook Inlet Region, Inc. ("CIRI"). CIRI has been consulted regarding this project and has offered to grant an easement in exchange for two borough-owned substandard-size tax foreclosed parcels in Kasilof which adjoin CIRI property. The conveyance of these lands to CIRI would be possible, consistent with the borough's 2009 substandard lot sale provisions. CIRI has further been consulted regarding the proposed Widgeon Woods Subdivision and has allowed the borough to draw the plat with the inclusion of a portion of the CIRI land in order to optimize the subdivision and achieve the desired road alignment.

The attached ordinance authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement to facilitate the acquisition of the required easement in exchange for two substandard-size tax foreclosed lots in Kasilof. Shortened hearing is requested in order to allow work on the project to commence before the ground freezes. Your consideration of this ordinance is appreciated.