

Introduced by: Sprague
Date: 05/21/02
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2002-066**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONCEPT OF STATUTORY OR
REGULATORY CHANGES TO ALLOW THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES TO CLASSIFY CERTAIN
PORTIONS OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY AS BEING AVAILABLE FOR SIGN PLACEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities has directed removal of a number of signs within the State highway right-of-way in Soldotna and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, past State policies for issuing permits allowed signs within the right-of-way for adjacent businesses where this did not conflict with highway and utility needs; and

WHEREAS, the highway right-of-way within Soldotna has significant variations in width and portions of the right-of-way are not immediately needed for highway purposes; and

WHEREAS, selling currently unused portions the right-of-way to adjacent property owners would not be appropriate as future needs might require repurchase; and

WHEREAS, some business owners with signs in the right-of-way have advanced a proposal to allow permits for signs with-in the right-of-way in areas where extra width is not being used now for the highway; and

WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough and Administration have previously urged a similar approach to help provide consistency in placement of signs for business;

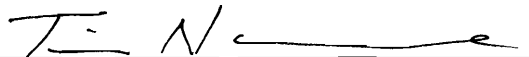
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly supports the concept of statutory or regulatory changes to allow the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities and to classify certain portions of the right-of-way as being available for sign placement. This should be restricted to areas where extra width is not readily useable or is not needed within the foreseeable future for highway and utility purposes.

SECTION 2. Copies of this resolution shall be sent to Senator Ted Stevens, Senator Frank Murkowski, Congressman Don Young, Senator John Torgerson, Senator Jerry Ward, Senator Georgianna Lincoln, Senator Alan Austerman, Representative Ken Lancaster, Representative Mike Chenault, Representative Drew Scalzi, Representative Carl Morgan, Governor Tony Knowles, and Department of Transportation Commissioner Joseph Perkins.

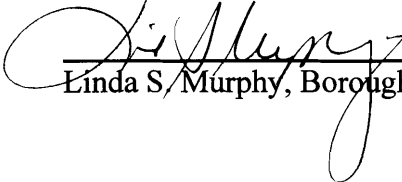
SECTION 3. That this resolution take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 21ST OF MAY, 2002.



Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

