Introduced by: Date:

Mayor 06/04/02 Adopted

Action: Vote:

9 Yes, 0 No

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2002-076

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO OFFER FOR COMPETITIVE BID FUEL REDUCTION SALES IN UNIT 7 AS APPROVED BY KPB ORDINANCE 2000-50

- WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough is heavily infested with spruce bark beetles with more than 1,000,000 acres infested during the past six years; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Spruce Bark Beetle program has identified areas where there is a hazard of forest fire from dead spruce; and
- WHEREAS, of the 48,122 acres of borough lands in the 12 units identified under KPB Ordinance 2000-50, approximately 18,694 acres, or 39%, has been identified as being either at high hazard or moderate hazard of forest fire from dead spruce; and
- **WHEREAS**, the expeditious removal of this dead spruce will reduce the fire hazard and provide for enhanced protection for persons and property within the borough; and
- WHEREAS, the KPB Assembly passed Ordinance 2000-50 on December 12, 2000, that authorized the emergency harvest of spruce bark beetle killed timber identified as representing a forest fire hazard; and
- WHEREAS, Ordinance 2000-50 requires a single Forest Management Sales Report be prepared for each harvest unit identified in Ordinance 2000-50; and
- **WHEREAS,** Ordinance 2000-50 requires that unit Forest Management Sales Reports be subject to review by the advisory planning commission where appropriate, by the planning commission, and be approved by the assembly in accordance with Ordinance 2000-50 and KPB 17.50.035; and
- WHEREAS, individual Forest Management Sales Reports have been prepared for unit 7 as identified in Ordinance 2000-50 and presented to the Anchor Point Advisory Planning Commission for review; and
- WHEREAS, the Anchor Point Advisory Planning Commission unanimously recommended on April 9, 2002 that fuel reduction sales in unit 7 be forwarded to the Assembly for immediate action; and

WHEREAS, the KPB Planning Commission conducted a public hearing during its regularly scheduled May 28, 2002 meeting and recommended adoption;

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

- **SECTION 1.** That the mayor is authorized to offer for competitive bid in accordance with KPB Ordinance 2000-50 the Fuel Reduction Sales in the Unit 7 Forest Management Sales Reports.
- **SECTION 2.** That the mayor is authorized to execute all documents deemed necessary to complete this project in accordance with Ordinance 2000-50 and KPB 17.50.035.

SECTION 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon enactment.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 4TH DAY OF JUNE, 2002.

Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

India S. Murphy, Borough Clerk