

Introduced by:	Sprague at Request of Borough Clerk
Date:	06/17/03
Action:	Defeated
Vote:	4 Yes, 3 No, 2 Absent
Action:	Notice of Reconsideration given by Davis for 07/08/03
Action:	Adopted
Vote:	9 Yes, 0 No
Date:	07/08/03

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2003-073**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A DIGITAL RECORDING
SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED SOUND SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS IN THE
BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS AND AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER
OF FUNDS FOR PURCHASE, INSTALLATION AND TRAINING**

WHEREAS, the borough's existing analog recording system is aging, has become unreliable and provides both a poor record of assembly meetings and inferior audio output for radio broadcasts and audio streaming via the Internet; and

WHEREAS, purchase and installation of a digital recording system would enhance the quality of recordings and maximize storage space since up to 20 hours of meetings could be stored on one CD; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk and her staff have spent a considerable amount of time researching available systems to determine which ones most nearly fit the needs of the Borough Clerk, the School District and the Planning Department, since all three entities use the assembly chambers on a regular basis and rely on the recording system to provide a record of the meetings conducted there; and

WHEREAS, in April, representatives of N. W. Judicial Technologies and FTR Gold Software provided an on-line product demonstration for the Clerk's Office Staff and representatives of the School District, Planning Department and the Borough's Management Information Systems Department; and

WHEREAS, FTR Gold software has been installed in every court room in the State of Alaska and is rapidly becoming the standard in digital recording software for court systems and municipalities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, N. W. Judicial Technologies is the West Coast vendor for FTR Gold software and compatible hardware, and offers a complete package including system installation and training of borough employees to operate and maintain the system; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to purchase an integrated system from a well established and reliable vendor; and

WHEREAS, since both the Borough and the Alaska Court System rely on the locally available

court reporters to produce transcripts of proceedings, and since these court reporters are now proficient in the use of the FTR Gold system; it is in the best interest of the Borough to purchase like software for its recording needs; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's M. I. S. director is currently working with the software manufacturer to assure that the system will produce an audio file of sufficient quality to allow the compression necessary to stream assembly meetings over the Internet; and

WHEREAS, The Borough's Purchasing Director has conducted his own research into sources for the purchase and installation of the requested software and hardware and is confident that this purchase meets the requirements of KPB 5.28.280 which provides for the sole source purchase of supplies or goods; and

WHEREAS, funds for this project are available in the FY 2003 budget utilizing previously appropriated and unencumbered funds for sound system improvements, assembly contingency and elections software;

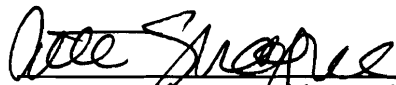
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the sum of \$3,500 is hereby transferred from Account Number 100.11130.00000.42120, Assembly Elections Computer Software, and the sum of \$23,130 is transferred from Account Number 100.11110.00000.49999, Assembly Contingency, to Account Number 100.11110.00000.48210, Assembly Communications Equipment.

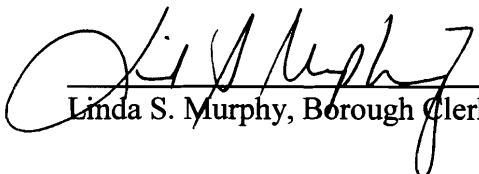
SECTION 2. That the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with N. W. Judicial Technologies for the purchase and installation of sound system components including software, hardware and consumables and any associated training and maintenance agreements for an amount not to exceed \$46,500.

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

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 8TH DAY OF JULY, 2003.


Pete Sprague, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

