

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Planning Department

MEMORANDUM

TO: Wayne Ogle, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor *CP*
Max Best, Planning Director *MB*

FROM: Bruce Wall, Planner *BW*

DATE: August 2, 2019

RE: Resolution 2019-045, Supporting the Kenai Peninsula Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan to be Submitted to the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (Mayor)

Providing public transportation is essential to people with special transportation needs, individuals with limited income and people with disabilities that rely heavily, sometimes exclusively, on public and specialized transportation services to live independent and fulfilling lives. These services are necessary for travel to work and medical appointments, to complete errands, or simply to take advantage of social or cultural opportunities.

The attached resolution supports a local committee's efforts to update the Kenai Peninsula Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan ("Plan"). The local committee is made up of diverse stakeholders, including nonprofit, medical, tribal, governmental, private agencies and individuals that were tasked with reviewing and updating the Plan. Through consensus, the updated Plan will be submitted to the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the purpose of applying for federal pass-through funding from Federal Transit Administration programs as well as the Alaska Mental Health Trust. The Plan and project priorities must be supported by a local governing body for the project to be eligible for federal and state transit funding.