

Introduced by: Mayor  
Date: 02/16/21  
Action: Adopted as Amended  
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 2021-010**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL POSITIONS IN THE CENTRAL  
EMERGENCY, NIKISKI FIRE, KACHEMAK EMERGENCY AND WESTERN  
EMERGENCY SERVICE AREAS USING EXISTING AVAILABLE FY21 FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, Central Emergency Services, Nikiski Fire Service Area, and Kachemak Emergency Service Area have experienced an increase to their call volume and require additional assistance to meet the emergency response needs necessary to effectively support the residents of their respective service areas; and

**WHEREAS**, Western Emergency Service Area is scheduled to be established effective February 22, 2021, and has an immediate need to increase personnel to establish a workforce adequate to meet the emergency response needs for the residents of the Western Emergency Service Area; and

**WHEREAS**, at its meeting held on January 21, 2021, the Central Emergency Services Board recommended approval to increase the number of personnel assigned to the CES Fire Department to include three additional Fire Fighters and one Senior Captain for FY2022 and unanimously recommended to add the additional personnel in FY2021 using funds saved as a result of CARES, or through other available funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nikiski Emergency Service Area Board met on January 13, 2021, and recommended approval of this resolution increasing the number of personnel assigned to the Nikiski Fire Service Area Fire Department to include three additional Fire Fighters and one additional Assistant Chief for Training for FY2022 and unanimously recommended to add the additional personnel in FY2021 using funds saved as a result of CARES, or other available funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kachemak Emergency Service Area Board met on January 11, 2021 and recommended approval by unanimous consent of this resolution increasing the number of personnel assigned to the Kachemak Fire Service Area Fire Department to include two additional Fire Technicians for FY2022 and unanimously recommended to add the additional personnel in FY2021 using funds saved as a result of CARES, or other available funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Western Emergency Service Area Board requested and unanimously approved this resolution on February 10, 2021, to increase the number of personnel assigned to the Western Emergency Service Area to include four additional Fire Fighters and one Assistant Chief for FY2021 and FY2022; and

**WHEREAS**, Central Emergency Service has \$1,234,879 funds available in the FY2021 operating budget due to the availability and use of CARES Relief funds and the anticipated expense for additional personnel would be \$179,204; and

**WHEREAS**, Nikiski Fire Service has \$511,849 funds available in the FY2021 operating budget due to the availability and use of CARES Relief funds and the anticipated expense for additional personnel would be \$185,257; and

**WHEREAS**, Kachemak Emergency Service has \$72,547 funds available in the FY2021 operating budget due to the availability and use of CARES Relief funds and the anticipated expense for additional personnel would be \$69,245; and

**WHEREAS**, Western Emergency Service has \$86,384 funds available in the FY2021 operating budget due to the availability and use of CARES Relief funds and through Ordinance 2020-19-18 \$111,778 is being appropriated from Western Emergency Service Area fund balance to support the anticipated expense for additional personnel of \$198,162; and

**WHEREAS**, KPB 3.04.100 and .115 require assembly approval of all classified and administrative positions either through the approved annual budget or by resolution, and approving them by resolution will enable the administration to fill these positions before the annual budget is approved; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the respective service area boards request immediate implementation of the increase of personnel using currently available FY2021 funds;

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

**SECTION 1.** As requested by the Central Emergency Service Board, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly approves three additional Firefighter positions and one additional Senior Captain position temporarily for FY2021, and authorizes the use of \$179,204 in available FY2021 funds to support this increase of personnel for the remainder of FY2021 and furthermore agrees to assess continuation of these positions for FY2022 to be presented by the Mayor as a part of the FY2022 budget.

**SECTION 2.** As requested by the Nikiski Emergency Service Area Board, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly approves two additional Firefighter positions temporarily for FY2021, and authorizes the use of \$92,629 in available FY2021 funds to support an increase of personnel for the remainder of FY2021 and furthermore agrees to assess continuation of these positions and an additional firefighter position and assistant chief for training position for FY2022 to be presented by the Mayor as a part of the FY2022 budget.

**SECTION 3.** As requested by the Kachemak Emergency Service Area Board, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly approves two additional Firefighter technicians, temporarily for FY2021, and authorizes the use of \$69,245 in available FY2021 funds to support an increase of personnel for the remainder of FY2021 and furthermore agrees to assess continuation of these positions for FY2022 to be presented by the Mayor as a part of the FY2022 budget.

**SECTION 4.** As requested by the Western Emergency Service Area Board and the transition plan for the expanded service area the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly approves four additional Firefighter positions and one additional Assistant Chief for FY2021, and authorizes the use of \$198,162 in available FY2021 funds to support an increase of personnel for the remainder of FY2021.


**SECTION 5.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.**

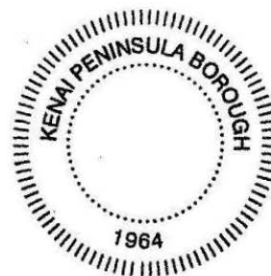


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Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

ATTEST:



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Jonni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bjorkman, Carpenter, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Dunne, Elam, Johnson, Hibbert

No: None

Absent: None