

Introduced by: Mayor, Assembly
Date: 02/27/24
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2024-008**

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TRANSFER A GRANT AWARDED TO THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL FACILITY IN KACHEMAK-SELO FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the process to build a new school facility for the Kachemak-Selo community began in 2012 when Kachemak-Selo residents submitted a petition to KPBSD Board of Education requesting improved school facilities; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, following the enactment of Senate Bill 138, the Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) was awarded a grant by the State of Alaska (State) through the Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) for the planning, design, construction and equipping of a new K-12 school facility in Kachemak-Selo under AS 14.11.005; and

WHEREAS, the State initially approved an eligible amount of \$16,719,236 including a State grant of \$10,867,503 and a required local match of \$5,851,733 pursuant to AS 14.11.008; and

WHEREAS, DEED reduced the grant award to \$10,010,000 due to student population projections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to AS 14.11.008, DEED requires a 35 percent match of \$5,390,000 through cash, in-kind or a combined contribution; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2018-19-02 approved and appropriated the DEED grant subject to voters' approval of the ballot proposition in Ordinance 2018-21 seeking voter approval to issue \$5,450,000 of general obligation bonds to pay the required local match;

WHEREAS, the ballot proposition to pay the local required match failed at the regular election on October 2, 2018; and

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

SECTION 1. That the Assembly requests the Alaska State Legislature transfer grant GR-17-001 (Kachemak Selo New K-12 School Construction) from the Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) to the Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development (DCCED).

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all documents and make all agreements deemed necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

SECTION 3. That the Clerk will provide a copy of this resolution to the State Legislature.

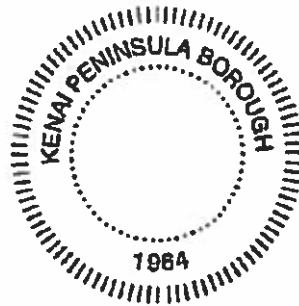
SECTION 4. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 27TH DAY FEBRUARY 2024.


Brent Johnson, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Michele Turner, CMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Cooper, Cox, Ecklund, Elam, Hibbert, Ribbens, Tunseth, Tupper, Johnson
No: None
Absent: None