

Kenai Peninsula Borough
Office of Emergency Management

MEMORANDUM

TO: Brent Johnson, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Peter A. Micciche, Mayor *PM*

FROM: Brenda Ahlberg, Emergency Manager *BA*

DATE: August 24, 2023

RE: Resolution 2023-057, Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Fiscal Year 2024 Alaska Land Mobile Radio Communication System Membership Agreements (Mayor)

The Alaska Land Mobile Radio (“ALMR”) Communication System is a digital radio system administered by the State of Alaska that provides communications among many member public safety agencies and organizations. The Kenai Peninsula Borough and its service areas use this system to conduct routine operations on a daily basis, as well as during large-scale emergency events.

The Borough’s Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and its Fire/EMS Service Areas are members of the ALMR system and have previously executed agreements for continued membership and use of the system. This resolution authorizes the Mayor to execute the fiscal year 2024 agreements to allow continued utilization of Borough-owned communication equipment on the system.

Funding for the system continues to be funded by the State of Alaska at 100% for the term of these agreements. The cost to each service area and department, if that cost share were not in place, is identified as follows:

Bear Creek Fire	\$ 607.90
Central Emergency Services	32,681.02
Kachemak Emergency Services	3,817.31
Nikiski Fire Department	183.47
Office of Emergency Management	439,953.12
Western Emergency Service Area	8,144.28
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	\$ 485,387.10

Almost all radio communication equipment used by Borough agencies is compatible with the ALMR system, and continued membership is a requirement to utilize the benefits of the system. Each service area executes its own agreement, which are identical to the main Borough agreement that is attached for brevity.

Your consideration is appreciated.