

Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Department – Land Management Division

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kelly Cooper, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

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

FROM: Marcus A. Mueller, Land Management Officer *MAM*

DATE: January 23, 2020

RE: Resolution 2020-011, Authorizing the Acquisition by Donation of 20 Acres of Land Located in the Seward Area on Behalf of the Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area (Mayor)

The Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area (SBCFSA) provides for flood planning and mitigation. A property owner has offered to donate a 20-acre parcel that is within the Resurrection River historic braidplain to the borough for conservation purposes. At its September 9, 2019, meeting, the SBCFSA board recommended acquisition of the property to be used for conservation and possible future flood mitigation.

This acquisition would further the borough comprehensive plan Land Use Objective D: "Maintain quality of the borough's natural environment, including protecting visual quality, minimizing development in hazardous areas, and developing strategies that help reduce and respond to impacts of changing environmental conditions. Strategy 2. Identify and protect the critical natural systems of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, its rivers, watersheds, floodplains and fish and wildlife habitats and resources."

The SBCFSA would be responsible for the costs associated with the acquisition including title insurance, closing costs, and 2020 property taxes.

This resolution is scheduled to come before the Planning Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 27, 2020. The recommendations of the Planning Commission will be submitted to the assembly for its consideration at the February 4, 2020, assembly meeting.

Your consideration of this resolution is appreciated.

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Acct. No.	<u>259.21212.00000.48610</u>
Amount	<u>\$600.00</u>
By: <u><i>PP</i></u>	Date: <u>1/23/2020</u>
<u><i>BH</i></u>	