

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 12/03/19
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2019-068**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT AND OPERATIONAL PLAN BETWEEN ANCHOR POINT FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AREA AND THE CITY OF HOMER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES

WHEREAS, mutual aid agreements and their operational plans provide for additional resources to residents of the Kenai Peninsula Borough in the form of fire and medical personnel when required; and

WHEREAS, mutual aid agreements and operational plans are common in the fire and emergency medical service professions; and

WHEREAS, Alaska Statute 18.70.150 provides that: “A city, other incorporated entity, and other fire protection groups may organize a mutual-aid program by adopting an ordinance or resolution authorizing and permitting their fire department, fire company, emergency relief squad, fire police squad, or fire patrol to go to the aid of another city, incorporated entity, or fire protection group, or territory outside of it;” and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Administrative Code authorizes state certified emergency medical service providers to enter into mutual aid agreements with other such providers in accordance with a municipal ordinance or resolution; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2012-12 adopted by the assembly on February 28, 2012, provided for a mutual aid agreement and initial operational plan between Anchor Point Fire and Emergency Medical Service Area (“APFEMSA”) and Homer Volunteer Fire Department (“HVFD”); and

WHEREAS, this mutual aid agreement and operational plan, which will replace the mutual aid agreement and operational plan adopted in Resolution 2012-12, updates and clarifies the terms of mutual aid between APFEMSA and HVFD; and

WHEREAS, all associated costs will be borne by each responding agency, and in this manner, costs for manpower, materials, supplies and equipment are exchanged between the agencies, ultimately resulting in service area funds being expended for the benefit of the service area served; and

WHEREAS, in recent years the operational plans have been considered as matters within the expertise of the agencies providing the mutual aid and, therefore, future amendments to the operational plans have been left to the discretion of the agencies; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on October 16, 2019, the Anchor Point Fire and Emergency Medical Service Area Board unanimously recommended approval;

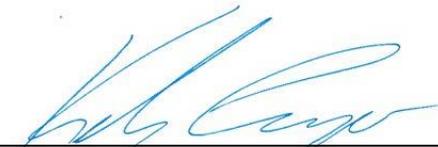
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. A mutual aid agreement between APFEMSA and HVFD is in the best interest of the service areas and is hereby approved. The mayor is authorized to execute a mutual aid agreement substantially in the form of the attached agreement.

SECTION 2. An operational plan substantially in the form of the attached plan is hereby approved and the service area boards and chiefs of APFEMSA and HVFD are hereby authorized to approve amendments to the operational plan with the mayor's approval without further review by the assembly so long as any such amendments do not conflict with the mutual aid agreement.

SECTION 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 3RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

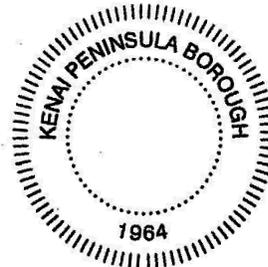


Kelly Cooper, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bjorkman, Blakeley, Carpenter, Cox, Dunne, Hibbert, Johnson, Smalley, Cooper
No: None
Absent: None