

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Finance Department

MEMORANDUM

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

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor CP

FROM: Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director BH

DATE: October 1, 2020

SUBJECT: Amendment to Ordinance 2020-19-07, Appropriating Refinanced 2013 Bear Creek Fire Service Area General Obligation Bond Proceeds for the Purpose of Paying Bond Refinancing Issuance Costs & Request to Postpone Hearing (Mayor)

The Alaska Supreme Court's recent decision which invalidated a plan to sell bonds to pay oil tax credits has caused a certain amount of uncertainty in the Alaska bond market. The Alaska Department of Law has requested a rehearing to better define the scope of the ruling. The Alaska Municipal Bond Bank has delayed its bond issue for a time uncertain as a result of the recent decision. Therefore, pending further analysis of the effect of the Supreme Court ruling we are seeking to postpone the refinancing of the Bear Creek Fire Service Area General Obligation Bonds until after October 2020.

Based on the above circumstances, postponement of the hearing on this ordinance to the December 1, 2020, meeting is requested as well as the following amendment:

(Please note the bold underlined language is new and the bracketed strikeout language is to be deleted.)

- Amend the last whereas clause, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Bond Bank anticipates a refinancing closing date ~~[of September 2020]~~ following October 1, 2020;

Your consideration is appreciated.