

CITY OF SEWARD

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RE: Support Letter for KPB Land Acquisition

To the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly,

We are all aware of the negative impacts that a lack of residential housing and available land have on our local economies. Due to the geography of the Seward area, there are not many existing areas for land expansion for residential development, inside or outside of city limits.

Over the last few years, the KPB Land Management Division and the City of Seward have developed a collaborative relationship to problem solve the issue. We've had many conversations where we discuss potential areas, current land ownership, and strategies to get land into play for future development.

City Administration supports the acquisition of parcel #12535007 as it will create an access from a currently developed neighborhood.to otherwise islanded Borough land parcel. It is a strategic acquisition that would create potential for significant future residential development for the Seward Area.

Regards,

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