

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Planning Department – GIS Division

MEMORANDUM

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

THRU: Mike Navarre, Mayor *MN*
John Hedges, Purchasing & Contractor Director *JH*

FROM: Robert Ruffner, Planning Director *RR*

DATE: February 9, 2023

RE: Resolution 2023-017, Providing Authorization for Sole Source Procurement to Enter into a Three-Year Software Licensing and Services Agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (Mayor)

The Kenai Peninsula Borough's ("Borough") GIS Division uses Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. ("ESRI") software to provide spatial data and analysis to all Borough departments and service areas. This software is especially critical to 911, Emergency Services, Assessing, Roads, and Planning. It is the foundation of all internal GIS infrastructure (data, maps, automated solutions) and the Borough's public-facing applications such as the online viewers and information hubs.

KPB 5.28.280 requires assembly approval by resolution of most purchases without competition costing more than \$40,000. The Resolution authorizes the administration to award a three-year contract to ESRI without competition to provide GIS software licensing and services. ESRI is the industry standard for GIS software – there are no other comparable companies or products. ESRI software is offered to municipal governments at standardized rates based on population. This contract includes licensing for all software, training and support for the next three years, in the annual amount of \$56,700.00, subject to annual appropriation and availability of funds.

Your consideration is appreciated.