

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 04/05/16
Hearing: 04/19/16
Action: Enacted
Vote: 8 Yes, 1 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2015-19-29**

**AN ORDINANCE EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS FOR
THE HEALTH CARE TASK FORCE AS ORIGINALLY APPROPRIATED IN
ORDINANCE 2014-19-39**

WHEREAS, the assembly appropriated \$200,000 in Ordinance 2014-19-39 on February 3, 2015, for the purpose “to be used for hiring one or more independent consultants, and to pay expenses, if any, for a working group to assist the borough to research and evaluate options available for reducing health care costs for the borough and school district entities and their employees, and options for reducing costs incurred by the hospitals in the borough, and potentially to assist in implementing one or more of the options subject to assembly approval;” and

WHEREAS, although the title to Ordinance 2014-19-39 included the purpose of identifying ways to also provide more affordable health care to residents, the appropriating language did not mention residents; and

WHEREAS, the mayor formed the Health Care Task Force (HCTF), which has met numerous times since August 2015 gathering significant amounts of information regarding the current health care systems in the borough, and the mayor has hired a consultant to assess current resources and system structure and produce recommendations and financial analyses; and

WHEREAS, the Health Care Task Force has adopted a charter which defines the task force purpose and deliverables that clarify the functions of the HCTF; and

WHEREAS, in order for the HCTF to work towards this purpose, to provide the deliverables, and to consider benefits to residents as well as borough and school district employees the authorized use of the funds should be clarified to include these items;

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

SECTION 1. That the authorized use of the \$200,000 appropriated in Ordinance 2014-19-39 is expanded to include the following in addition to the purposes for which it was already appropriated.

The appropriated funds may be used to support the HCTF purpose and deliverables as described below, the scope of which shall include research, evaluations and recommendations that could result in benefits for all borough residents.

HCTF Purpose:

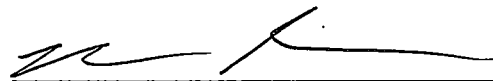
Address current gaps in the borough's health care system and make recommendations that best prepare the entire borough for the future by meeting the goals of the Triple Aim: enhance population health, improve quality, and lower costs; and provide the following deliverables:

HCTF Deliverables:

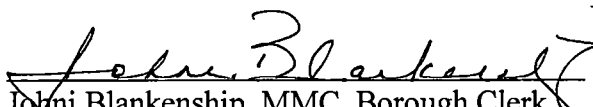
1. Evaluation of current state of the KPB healthcare delivery system.
2. Recommendations and evaluation of alternate health system delivery models/strategies (including assessment of borough-wide health powers).
3. Recommendation for a borough hospital structure.
4. Transition roadmap for recommendations.

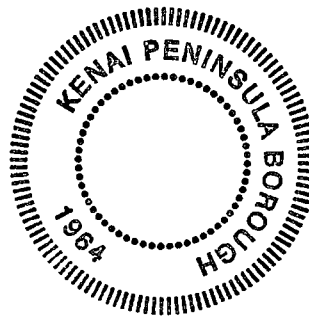
SECTION 2. That this ordinance takes effect immediately upon its enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 19TH DAY OF APRIL, 2016.


Blaine Gilman, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Johmi Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bagley, Cooper, Dunne, Holmdahl, Johnson, Knopp, Ogle, Gilman
No: Welles
Absent: None