

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Community & Fiscal Projects

MEMORANDUM

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

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor *CR*
John Hedges, Purchasing & Contracting Director *JH*

FROM: Brenda Ahlberg, Community & Fiscal Projects Manager *Bl*
Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director *BH*
Dil Uhlin, Roads Director *JH*

DATE: October 28, 2021

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2021-19- 28, Allocating and Redirecting U.S. Department of Treasury, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Established by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and Appropriating General Fund Fund Balance to Specific Pay-Go Capital Projects (Mayor)

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (“funds”), established by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, provides \$350 billion in emergency funding for eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments. The borough is a direct grant recipient of \$11,403,341. This amount is based upon the 2019 census and the Community Development Block Grant population determinations. The granting agency is the U.S. Treasury, which will release the funds in two deposits with no match requirement. The borough received the first deposit \$5,701,670.50 on May 25, 2021. The second deposit will be released May 2022.

In July 2021, by way of Ordinance 2021-19-08, \$11,403,341 was appropriated to these three projects that may create the greatest public benefit on an areawide basis: 1.) \$2,000,000 in revenue replacement to be allocated to educational services, 2.) \$3,403,341 in revenue replacement for critical infrastructure “Pay-Go” capital projects, and 3.) \$6,000,000 for solid waste leachate system rehabilitation. The \$3,403,341 in critical infrastructure requires additional allocation of funds to specific “Pay-Go” capital projects to be approved by the assembly.

Of the \$3,403,341 in lost revenue to be invested in “pay-go” critical infrastructure projects, it is proposed that the following “Pay-Go” Capital projects be completed:


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1. \$2,203,341 to fund the Homer High School Roof Replacement Project. This ordinance also appropriates General Fund fund balance of \$1,800,000 needed to complete Phases 2 and 3 of the Homer High School Roof Replacement Project.
2. \$700,000 to fund the construction of a new exterior side on a portion of West Homer Elementary to stop water intrusion.
3. \$500,000 to fund critical bridge infrastructure by rebuilding and upgrading bridges within the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT
M FUNDS/ACCOUNT VERIFIED**

Account: 271.94910.SLF03.49999 Amount: \$3,403,341.00

Account: 100.00000.00000.27910 Amount: \$1,800,000

By 

Date: 10/27/2021