

Kenai Peninsula Borough
Assembly

MEMORANDUM

TO: Wayne Ogle, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Hal Smalley, Assembly Member (B) for H.S.
Wayne Ogle, Assembly President (B) for W.O.

DATE: January 24, 2019

RE: Resolution 2019-015, Requesting an Additional Seat on the Municipal Advisory Gas Project Review Board to Represent the Interests of the Cities in the Kenai Peninsula Borough and Recommending that the Kenai City Manager be Named to that Seat (Smalley, Ogle)

Governor Sean Parnell, through Administrative Order No. 269, created the Municipal Advisory Gas Project Review Board (MAGP) on March 25, 2014. The purpose of the board is to develop a framework to evaluate the effects and issues that will arise from development of the state's abundant North Slope natural gas resources. The MAGP's duties include reviewing and advising the governor on potential impacts and benefits of new infrastructure for natural gas development on communities in the state. MAGP also considers and advises on new tax structures, as well as payments in lieu of taxes (PILT).

The MAGP is composed of 12 members who are appointed by the Governor, including one seat designated for the Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor or the Mayor's designee. The attached resolution would request the Governor, should he reconstitute the board, designate an additional seat to represent the cities of the Kenai Peninsula Borough. This is in recognition that should the Alaska LNG project be built, there will be multiple and unique impacts to all municipalities in the Kenai Peninsula Borough, in addition to the direct impacts to the Borough of the proposed liquefaction and marine terminal in Nikiski. City Managers from communities in the borough recently met, and agreed that the City of Kenai City Manager or his designee would be the best suited to sit on the MAGP board and represent their various interests alongside the Borough Mayor, should an additional seat be designated. Thank you for your consideration.