

Kenai Peninsula Borough Purchasing & Contracting

MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter Ribbens, Assembly President
Members, KPB Assembly

THRU: Peter A. Micciche, Mayor *PM*
Robert Ruffner, Planning Director *RR*

FROM: John Hedges, Purchasing and Contracting Director *JH*
Ben Hanson, IT Director *BH*

DATE: April 24, 2025

RE: Resolution 2025- 020 Authorizing the Standardization of VertiGIS Studio Software (Mayor)

KPB 5.28.280, Proprietary procurement, allows for direct procurement pursuant to a standardization policy approved by the Assembly.

VertiGIS Studio, a software product developed by VertiGIS North America Ltd, is the development platform used to power “viewKPB”, the KPB’s main public GIS viewer and one of the most visited resources on the KPB website. Importantly, VertiGIS Studio is also used for a variety of internal applications and automated workflows for staff across multiple departments.

KPB GIS staff has spent a considerable amount of effort developing custom applications that allow non-GIS staff to complete many GIS-related tasks without the need for high-end hardware or advanced training. Repetitive and complex processes have been automated, improving consistency, reducing errors, and saving staff time. To redo this customized development would mean considerable cost Incurred by the KPB.

VertiGIS North America Ltd has provided a quote for a Small Municipal & County Enterprise License Agreement and General Enterprise Services Package totaling \$69,975. Licensing and development costs have been included in the FY26 GIS operating budget, with future funding to be requested through the regular budget process as needed. Standardization is requested for a period of six years, equivalent to the duration of two typical contract terms.