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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Dale Bagley, Assembly President

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

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Marcus A. Mueller, Land Management Officer

DATE:

November 25, 2014

SUBJECT:

Postponement Request: Ordinance 2014-32 Authorizing an Exchange with Paula and Timothy Keohane of a 4.3 Acre Drainage Easement At Karluk Avenue for a 1.84 Acre Parcel at Mile 12.1 K-Beach Road which Shall be Subject to the Reservation of a 0.9 acre Drainage Outlet

Easement

Ordinance 2014-32 proposes a land exchange involving a 1.84 acre parcel of borough land that is classified as "government". The "government" classification is to serve a water drainage function as an outlet location for area waters to the Cook Inlet. The parcel contains a drainage swale and outlet pipe that provides surface drainage for an area along K-Beach Road. The exchange proposed would reserve an area that includes the existing drainage and room to develop more substantial drainage improvements.

Through the public process, the question has been asked: "how much land is needed for constructing a proper outlet?" At this time no drainage improvements are designed making it difficult to ascertain exactly how much area might be necessary for a future drainage improvement project. The administration however believes that the question deserves a fair response, as the intent of this exchange is to provide added benefit to drainage assets available to serve public infrastructure, and not inadvertently limit those assets.

We respectfully request the assembly consider postponing Ordinance 2014-32 until the meeting of January 20, 2015. During this time the administration would intend to conduct a review of dimensions needed for potential drainage improvements and explore alternatives if necessary.