Mayor 07/26/16 Adopted 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2016-041

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SOLE SOURCE CONTINUATION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN RAPID NOTIFY, INC. AND THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH FOR EMERGENCY MESSAGING NOTIFICATION SERVICES

- WHEREAS, the Kenai Peninsula Borough has used the Rapid Notify, Inc. (RN) system since at least 2007, when it was under a different company name, to provide mass emergency messaging to borough residents during wildland fires, tsunami threats and weather emergencies, and even for lost children; and
- WHEREAS, reliability and ease of use makes the RN system effective for the types of disasters about which the borough needs to mass-message the public, including evacuations and shelter instructions; and
- WHEREAS, familiarity and experience with the RN system by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM), 911 personnel, and a multitude of response disciplines area wide makes the system even more functional; and
- WHEREAS, borough GIS mapping and database information has already been inputted into the RN system, eliminating 30 60 days downtime that would be experienced with a change to another system; and
- WHEREAS, the borough's most recent five year agreement with RN has expired and it is essential for the borough to maintain access to the RN system and eliminate any downtime; and
- WHEREAS, RN has offered to enter a new agreement with the borough with a term of up to five years with an annual service fee of \$13,800; and
- WHEREAS, RN's annual service fee of \$13,800 in the new agreement is reasonable and reflects a slight reduction from the previous service fee of \$13,915; and
- WHEREAS, Office of Emergency Management funds were approved in the FY17 budget for a renewal of this agreement; and
- WHEREAS, KPB 5.28.280 requires assembly approval of purchases without competition costing more than \$40,000; and

WHEREAS, the borough's best interest would be served by contracting with Rapid Notify, Inc. to provide continuation of mass emergency notification messaging;

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

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with Rapid Notify, Inc. for mass emergency messaging without competition in a total amount not to exceed \$69,000.

SECTION 2. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 26TH DAY OF JULY, 2016.

Blaine Gilman, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes:

Bagley, Cooper, Dunne, Holmdahl, Johnson, Knopp, Ogle, Gilman

No:

Absent: Welles

None