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