

## STANDARDIZED FIRE APPARATUS AND AMBULANCE MANUFACTURERS' BRANDS POLICY

Nikiski Fire Service Area (NFSA) and Central Emergency Service Area (CES) own and operate numerous fire apparatus and ambulance vehicles. These are complicated pieces of equipment that require extensive training to operate safely and efficiently and to maintain. Each manufacturer of equipment requires separate training for the operation and maintenance for equipment in their product line due to these complexities. The parts required for replacement parts are not generally interchangeable between equipment manufactured by different companies.

The standardization of fire apparatus and ambulances for fire and emergency medical service areas is approved consistent with these purposes.

NFSA and CES are authorized to standardize their fire apparatus as Pierce Manufacturing brand and ambulances as Braun Northwest brand provided purchases are made with due diligence to obtain the best possible prices. This can be done by using governmental cooperative purchasing agencies, or other means as defined in KPB Chapter 5.28. -- Procurement and Purchasing.

This policy may be applied to the Anchor Point Fire Service Area, the Bear Creek Fire Service Area and Kachemak Emergency Service Area if they require purchasing of fire equipment and ambulances, subject to approval by the mayor.

This policy shall expire five years after assembly approval in ordinance 2016-\_\_\_\_ unless altered or extended by the assembly.

Date

Mike Navarre, Mayor

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