

Kenai Peninsula Borough  
Finance Department

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Wayne Ogle, KPB Assembly President  
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

**THRU:** Charlie Pierce, KPB Mayor *cli*

**FROM:** Dan Nelson, OEM Manager *DN*  
Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director *BH*

**DATE:** December 21, 2018

**RE:** Ordinance 2018-19-26 Appropriating Funds from the General Fund for Earthquake Response Under the locally Declared Disaster Emergency Within the Kenai Peninsula Borough (Mayor)

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On November 30, 2018 at 8:29 am a 7.0 earthquake shook from an epicenter five miles north of Anchorage which was felt across Southcentral Alaska. Tsunami warnings were issued for coastal communities, including Seward and the Kachemak Bay communities of Homer, Seldovia, Nanwalek and Port Graham.

Both the State of Alaska and federal government issued emergency declarations to assist the Municipality of Anchorage, Kenai Peninsula Borough and Matanuska-Susitna Borough on November 30, 2018.

The borough mayor issued a local emergency declaration for the entire Kenai Peninsula Borough on December 4, 2018, subsequently extended to June 7, 2019 by the assembly.

The borough continues to conduct repairs and damage assessments borough-wide. Work has been completed and continues for the following departments and service areas: Maintenance, Purchasing and Contracting, Roads, Office of Emergency Management, Solid Waste, North Peninsula Recreation, Nikiski Fire, Central Emergency Services, Kachemak Emergency Services, and Central Peninsula Hospital Service Area. These departments and service areas have financially supported the initial response, and therefore, we are requesting an appropriation to reimburse these operational funds as well as provide funds for expenditures through June 2019. The borough is currently and

will continue working with the State of Alaska and federal government to request reimbursement for this disaster.

It is expected that significant expenses will be incurred in responding to this event and repairing damages to facilities and public infrastructure caused by the earthquake. This ordinance appropriates funds in the amount of \$450,000 to enable the borough to continue repairs and assessments associated with the disaster. Your consideration is appreciated.

<b>FINANCE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT / FUNDS VERIFIED</b>	
Acct. No.	<u>      (FB) 100.27910      </u>
Amount:	<u>      \$450,000.00      </u>
By: <u>BA</u>	Date: <u>12/20/18</u>