Kenai Peninsula Borough Central Emergency Services

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kelly Cooper, Assembly President

Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Borough Mayor \mathcal{U}

Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director BH

John Hedges, Purchasing and Contracting Director It

FROM: Roy Browning, CES Chief 16

Bryan Crisp, Nikiski Chief Jbl

DATE: February 13, 2020

RE: Ordinance 2019-19-<u>28</u>, Appropriating Funds from Nikiski Fire Service Area

and Approving the Purchase of Safety-Rated Belts for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Equipment for Central Emergency Service Area and

Nikiski Fire Service Area (Mayor)

In ordinance 2019-19-13 the assembly authorized the borough to receive Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) on behalf of Central Emergency Services (CES) and Nikiski Fire Service Area (NFSA) funded largely by a FEMA, Assistance to Firefighters Grant obtained by the City of Kenai. The City of Kenai awarded the contract to Municipal Emergency Services.

The SCBA grant did not fund the upgraded safety belt waist harness. This waist harness, EZ-Scape Pro is a self-rescue belt, which meets NIOSH and NFPA safety standards for life safety rope, fall, decent and anchor device. This rated waist harness is necessary for use as a ladder belt, as well as a life safety attachment for rescue which will increase safety during high risk firefighting and rescue hazards.

By purchasing the safety belt waist harness during the manufacturing process CES and NFSA jointly will see an overall savings of \$67,050.00 for 150 SCBA safety belt waist harnesses. The vendor, MES is the only company that would sell these as a part of the

assembly, providing value for the borough. Both CES and NFSA would like to take advantage of this overall costs savings during this order which this ordinance would also approve.

CES and NFSA are requesting purchase of the EZ-Scape Pro belt from Municipal Emergency Services (MES). NFSA is also requesting an appropriation of \$13,312.00.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT FUNDS VERIFIED Acct. No. CES 443.51610.19461.49999 Amount: \$ 49,088.00 Acct. No. NFSA 441.27910 Amount: \$ 13,312.00 By: Date: 2/12/2020