

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Community & Fiscal Projects

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kelly Cooper, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor *CP*
Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director *BH*
Ben Hanson, IT Director *BH*
Max Best, Planning Director *MB*
Dan Nelson, Emergency Manager *DN*

FROM: Brenda Ahlberg, Community & Fiscal Projects Manager *BA*

DATE: March 5, 2020

RE: Resolution 2020-023, Supporting Three Applications to Supplement Eligible Response and Resiliency Projects Under the Economic Development Administration, "2019 Disaster Supplemental Grant" (Mayor)

The Economic Development Administration (EDA), a division of the U.S. Department of Commerce, offers the "2019 Disaster Supplemental Grant" opportunity for communities impacted by the presidential-declared major disasters that occurred in 2018 and 2019. The borough is an eligible applicant resulting from the federal disaster November 30, 2018 Cook Inlet Earthquake.

The borough is submitting three EDA applications to supplement the following projects:

1. Tsunami warning system upgrade: Upgrade 14 existing warning sirens that serve the areas at risk for tsunami inundation for borough coastal communities and install one new tower and warning system in the Kachemak Selo area.
2. Wireless communication system redundancy project: Phase one of two will fund the development of an engineer plan that identifies optimal tower locations, radio equipment needs and a cost estimate to build redundant coverage to the western side of the Kenai Peninsula for the purpose of business communications, emergency response and recovery and infrastructure that supports public alert and warning systems. Phase two will be project construction based upon the phase one plan. The borough will seek grant funds to supplement phase two.

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3. Geographic information system products: Update aerial photography and create structure inventory to be used to support response, resiliency and mitigation projects.

The borough, as the applicant, must document that the 20 percent matching share will: (i) be committed to the project for the period of performance, (ii) be available as needed, and (iii) not be conditioned or encumbered in any way that may preclude its use consistent with the requirements of EDA investment assistance. In order to meet these requirements, applicants must submit for each source of the matching share a commitment letter or equivalent document signed by an authorized representative of the organization providing the matching funds.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT MATCH & ADMIN FEE FUNDS/ACCOUNT VERIFIED	
Account	<u>100.27910</u>
Amount:	<u>\$215,000.00</u>
By: <u>BH</u>	Date: <u>3/4/2020</u>