Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Department – GIS Division

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kelly Cooper, Assembly President

Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor \mathcal{U}

John Hedges, Purchasing & Contract Director JH

FROM: Marcus A. Mueller, Acting Planning Director ______ and

DATE: July 23, 2020

RE: Resolution 2020-<u>052</u>; Providing Authorization for Sole Source

Procurement to Enter into a Three Year Software Licensing and Services Agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (Mayor)

The Kenai Peninsula Borough GIS Division uses Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) software to provide spatial data and analysis services to all KPB departments and service areas. This software is especially critical to 911, Emergency Services, Assessing, and Planning. It is the foundation of all internal GIS infrastructure (data, maps, automated solutions) and our public-facing applications such as the online viewers and COVID-19 information hub.

KPB 5.28.280 requires assembly approval by resolution of most purchases without competition costing more than \$40,000. This resolution would authorize the administration to award a three-year contract to ESRI without competition to provide GIS software licensing and services. ESRI is the industry standard for GIS software – there are no other comparable companies or products. ESRI software is offered to municipal governments at standardized rates, in packages

customized to the needs of the organization. This contract includes licensing for all software, training and support for the next three years.

Your consideration of this request is appreciated.

