

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Community & Fiscal Projects

MEMORANDUM

TO: Brent Hibbert, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor *CP*

FROM: Brenda Ahlberg, Community & Fiscal Projects Manager *Ba*
Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director *BH*

DATE: November 19, 2020

RE: Resolution 2020-083, Amending the Spending Plan Approved for CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds Received from the State of Alaska, to Supplement Audio Video Capabilities to Allow Remote Meetings at the Donald E. Gilman Kenai River Center, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Telephony Project, Student Home-to-School Transportation Costs and Funding to Support Presumed COVID-19 Education-Related Expenditures (Mayor)

This resolution, upon approval, is the seventh amended plan to the borough's Coronavirus Relief Fund Spending Plan (CRF). The amended plan addresses four budget revisions.

1. Audio Video Capabilities: Provide \$10,000 toward audio/video capabilities in the conference room located at the Donald E. Gilman River Center, using the CAR08 "Tech-Remote Meeting Integration" funds originally approved for audio/video capabilities in the assembly chambers.

On October 27, 2020, the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District ("School District") requested additional CARES Act funding to support the District in two areas, telephony and student transportation;

2. Educational Request for Telephony Costs (CAR21): Provide funds up to \$23,341 to the School District for a Microsoft Teams Telephony project. This provides for telework voice calling support to the existing audio/video platform in response to COVID-19 telework situations.
3. Educational Request for Transportation Costs (CAR21): Provide funds up to \$1,740,942 to the School District to support student home-to-school

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transportation. The State of Alaska transportation funding has been cut as a result of fewer students in our brick and mortar schools due to the shift to homeschooling.

4. Educational COVID-19 Related Costs (CAR21): Provide funding of up to \$2,111,091 to utilize the presumptive assumption that \$500/per student has been spent by the School District on COVID-19 related expenditures and that these expenditures are for a substantially different use than originally expected in such a line item, allotment, or allocation.

Therefore, amounts up to the following per CARXX project codes listed below may be transferred to CAR21 project to be distributed to the School District for COVID-19 related expenditures. Up to \$3,481,884 may be distributed to the School District, of which 50% will be provided for transportation over and above the local contribution amount for FY2021 and 50% will be applied towards the existing local contribution, providing the original \$50 million payment to the School District through two funding sources. If the CARXX amount available is greater than \$3,481,884 and less than \$3,852,034, up to \$1,740,942 may be provided for transportation over and above the local contribution and the remaining will be applied toward the local contribution to provide fiscal relief for the area wide taxpayers of the borough. This recognizes that the remaining amount paid to the School District with general fund funds as the FY2021 local contribution may not fall below the minimum required contribution per the State of Alaska Statute or the \$45 million floor established in Resolution 2020-027.

Segment	Account Number	Estimated up to Remaining Dollars
CAR01	GRANTS TO SMALL BUSINESS/NONPROFIT/SR CENTERS	\$ 699,270
CAR02	SINGLE AUDIT FEES	5,000
CAR03	REIMB HOSPITAL COSTS	-
CAR04	VOLUNTEER FIRE & EMS	-
CAR05	FIRE & EMS SA PERSONNEL COSTS	-
CAR06	KPB EMERG RESPONSE-PPE-PERSONNEL	248,770
CAR07	ABSENTEE VOTE BY MAIL	469,679
CAR08	TECH-REMOTE MEETING INTEGRATION	2,987
CAR09	TECH-COMMUNICATIONS TOWER SITE DVLPMNT	1,062,109
CAR10	TECH-RETROFIT ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS	58,185
CAR11	KPBSD RESPONSE & PREPAREDNESS	42,533
CAR12	HOSPITAL TESTING EQUIPMENT	-

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CAR13	RETROFIT KPB FACILITIES	452,558
CAR14	TECH-IMT REMOTE WORK-PC UPGRADES	45
CAR15	TECH-REMOTE WORK KITS FOR TELEWORK	63,349
CAR16	GIS UPDATE FOR REMOTE ASSESSMENT	17,936
CAR17	TECH-911 BACKUP DISPATCH ANSWERING CENTER	59,301
CAR18	TECH-COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING ANALYSIS	12,506
CAR19	GRANTS TO SMALL BUSINESS-2ND DISTRIBUTION/CONTINGENCY	1,024,377
CAR20	SOLID WASTE DEBRIS/SLASH DISPOSAL	139,379
CAR21	FY21 KPB RESPONSE-PPE-PERSNL & RECOUP LOST REVENUE	1,569,987
CAR22	CITY ALLOCATION	-
CAR23	HOUSING RELIEF PROGRAM	500,000
CAR24	POPPY LANE FACILITY SOCIAL DISTANCING RETROFIT	216,901
	Totals:	\$ 6,644,873

This will allow the School District to utilize the presumptive assumption that up to \$500 per student has been spent on COVID-19 related expenditures since March 2020 and per the FAQ and US Treasury guidance, detailed expenditure back up is not required, as it is presumed that the School District is paying this amount per student on COVID-19 related expenditures. The \$500 per student is an aggregate figure for all federal, state and local funding that has been passed through to the School District from the Coronavirus Relief Funds. Because of this presumption, the Kenai Peninsula Borough is also recognizing that the School District has utilized a significant portion of the current FY2021 local contribution for expenditures significantly different than that of the originally intended use when the contribution was made, allowing the Kenai Peninsula Borough to utilize cares funding for that portion as long as they continue to meet the minimum required contribution per the State of Alaska Statute and the \$45 million floor established in Resolution 2020-027 with general fund local monies.

Your consideration of this resolution is appreciated.

Attachment: Coronavirus Relief Fund Spending Plan Proposed for Amendment (12/01/20).