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MEMORANDUM

DAVID R. CAREY
BOROUGH MAYOR

TO: Gary Knopp, Assembly President
Members of the Kenai Peninsula Assembly

THRU: David R. Carey, Borough Mayor *Williams*
Craig Chapman, Finance Director *Chapman*
John Mohorcich, River Center Director *Mohorcich*
Brenda Ahlberg, Community and Fiscal Project Manager *Ahlberg*

FROM: *Williams* Gary Williams, Coastal Zone Management Program Coordinator

DATE: March 24, 2011

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2010-19-42 accepting and appropriating grant funds from the U.S. Department of Interior in the amount of \$151,271 for the Seward Weather and Ocean Observing Systems

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly, by resolution 2009-018, approved 19 projects for funding through the federal Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP). The Seward Weather and Ocean Observing Systems Project was among those projects approved and forwarded to the State of Alaska for inclusion in the Alaska CIAP Plan.

On April 23, 2010, the Department of Interior, Minerals Management Service, henceforth known as the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), approved the Alaska CIAP Plan which included \$1,708,491.93 available to be granted in FY 2009 -2010. Among the projects approved was the Seward Weather and Ocean Observing Systems Project.

This project will establish a prototype meteorological and oceanographic measurement station at Lowell Point near Seward, Alaska and initiate a program of one-person manual measurements and visual observations to provide regular, objective recorded information about coastal processes and changing shoreline conditions. Meteorological parameters measured and recorded will include wind speed and direction, air temperature, barometric pressure, solar radiation, and relative humidity. Rainfall and snowfall will also be measured and recorded. The development of visual observations and one-person manual measurements will provide regular objective recorded information about coastal processes and changing shoreline conditions. This project will develop and test curriculum and test kits for use by coastal community residents who may be trained and certified as "Alaska Corps of Coastal Observers."

This ordinance also acknowledges that the borough will subgrant this project to the Seward SeaLife Center which will be responsible for carrying out the terms of the grant under a subgrant agreement with the Kenai Peninsula Borough. BOEMRE approved the subgrant award to the

Seward SeaLife Center for the purpose of completing the project. Said approval was done in accordance with the following regulations that must be adhered to by the borough:

- BOEMRE's Code of Federal Regulations for the program described in 43 CFR Part 12.
- The Office of Federal Financial Management OMB Circular A-102 "Grants and Cooperative Agreements with State and Local Governments."
- The borough recognizes the importance of the above-listed grant compliance as governed in KPB Code of Ordinances 5.28.600 "State and Federal Grants."

The performance period of this grant ends July 31, 2013.

The Coastal Zone Management Program Coordinator is the assigned project manager responsible for the administration of CIAP Funds.

Attachments: award notification

FINANCE DEPARTMENT	
Acct Number	FUNDS-VERIFIED
Acct. No. <u>271.31135.11104.49999</u>	
Amount <u> </u>	
By: <u>CBW</u>	Date: <u>3/22/11</u>

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