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BOROUGH MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

TO: Gary Knopp, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: David R. Carey, Mayor *W. Carey*
Craig Chapman, Finance Director *CBW for CCC*

FROM: Doug Schoessler, RSA Director *DS*

DATE: May 26, 2011

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2011-22, authorizing the placement of “No Parking” and “Tow-Away” signs in the unmaintained portion of borough right-of-way on “Lower” Rapids Avenue

“Lower” Rapids Avenue is a non-maintained road in a borough right-of-way within the Bing’s Landing Subdivision Part One. This road along with Samsel Road, Steelhead Circle and “Upper” Rapids Avenue which are borough-maintained roads, is adjacent to the state-managed Bing’s Landing campground and day use area within the Kenai River Special Management Area. The road surface and associated ditches are increasingly used by the public for parking, which has created a safety concern as emergency vehicles are limited in their ability to access residences in the neighborhood and the public at the river.

The road service area recently approved RSA resolution 2011-06 approving no parking and tow-away signs on “Upper” Rapids Avenue, Steelhead Circle, and Samsel Road and recommended that the assembly authorize placing similar signs on “Lower” Rapids Avenue. The Central Emergency Service Area chief and the park superintendent for the Kenai Prince William Sound area have indicated that their respective organizations support the proposed signage plan. It is intended that the signs would be placed on these roads at intersections and in line of sight. The estimated cost for the signage on “Lower” Rapids Avenue is less than \$500 and the road service area currently has sufficient funds to pay for this project.

Assembly approval of this ordinance is needed as the borough code only authorizes signage to be placed in borough-maintained rights-of-way. Shortened hearing is requested as the fishing season is rapidly approaching and a shortened hearing on June 21, 2011, will allow the signs to be placed before the peak of the fishing season. Your favorable consideration would be appreciated.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT - FUNDS VERIFIED

Acct. No. 336.33950.42020 Amount \$500

By: CBW Date: 5/26/11