

Introduced by: Skogstad & Glick
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Vote: Unanimous

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 91-133

**A RESOLUTION URGING RESTORATION OF FUNDING
FOR MUNICIPAL ENTITLEMENT TRANSFERS**

WHEREAS, the Division of Lands in the Department of Natural Resources is responsible for the municipal entitlement program under which local governments are given title to state lands; and

WHEREAS, the municipal entitlement program under AS 29.65 is of great benefit to local governments by providing greater control over local lands and future community development; and

WHEREAS, prior legislative reductions in funding to the Division of Lands have resulted in cessation of municipal entitlement program activities; and

WHEREAS, in light of the inadequate funding for this program the Department of Natural Resources has implemented a program that charges municipalities a fee for processing their land entitlement applications, which treats municipalities that are now applying for entitlement differently from those that obtained their entitlement under earlier procedures; and


WHEREAS, Governor Hickel vetoed funds intended for the municipal entitlement program for FY 92 as well as a legislative statement of intent opposed to the assessment of a fee to municipalities for the processing of their municipal entitlement applications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1. That the Alaska Legislature is urged to restore full funding for municipal entitlement land transfers to the FY 93 operating budget of the Division of Lands within the Department of Natural Resources.

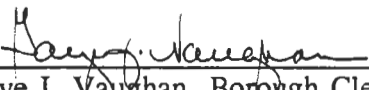
Section 2. That Governor Hickel is urged to approve an appropriation of funding for the municipal entitlement program so that municipalities will be able to gain control of the land to which they are entitled at the earliest possible date to facilitate local community and economic development.

APPROVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 5th
DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1991.



Betty Glick, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Gaye J. Vaughan, Borough Clerk