

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ROAD SERVICE AREA
RESOLUTION 2011-11**

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ASSEMBLY APPROVE CONSTRUCTION OF A PORTION OF RIDGE STREET IN
SOUTH REGION, UNIT 4**

WHEREAS, the residents of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Road Service Area (RSA) approved construction powers by popular vote at the regular election in October 2000; and

WHEREAS, KPB 16.41.190 provides that the Road Service Area Board shall make a report and recommendation to the assembly regarding any construction project to be undertaken considering the criteria set forth in the code; and

WHEREAS, the RSA maintains Spruce Circle Road, and Ridge Street accessed from North Fork Road in South Region, Unit 4; and

WHEREAS, the KPB has entered into a contract with Arno Construction for a total contract amount of \$495,485.00 to upgrade Ridge Street, Spruce Circle Road and Ring of Fire Avenue; and

WHEREAS, a portion of Ridge Street has grades in excess of 14% within a 60' easement across Anderson & Abrahamson agricultural properties; and

WHEREAS, Anderson & Abrahamson propose to grant an alternate 1800'± easement and prepare a road base with grades less than 10%; and

WHEREAS, according to the attached Engineer's Report, the alternate road section routing will provide a route at comparable cost to the original route (shown on Exhibit A) and will provide valuable access within the proposed 60' road easement; and

WHEREAS, the construction of Ridge Street will reduce road maintenance costs and improve access with shallower road grades; and

WHEREAS, if Anderson & Abrahamson are not able to provide adequate road base, grade and easement by the start of the 2012 construction season, the RSA will complete the originally designed road section as planned.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ROAD SERVICE AREA BOARD:

SECTION 1. Based on the standards set forth in the KPB 16.41.190, the RSA board makes the following findings in recommending construction of Ridge Street to the KPB Assembly:

STANDARD: Whether there is available road service area funding.

FINDING: There is sufficient funds are available in the Capital Improvement Project Budget. This project along with road upgrades is estimated to cost \$577,761.

STANDARD: Whether the road accesses public lands or facilities.

FINDING: No. No borough or state-owned lands are accessed directly from through this road access.

STANDARD: Whether the road is a collector road.

FINDING: No. The code does not require that all five criteria be met before recommending a construction project to the assembly. This road is anticipated to be a sub-collector road.

STANDARD: Whether there are funding sources in addition to RSA funds available for the project.

FINDING: No. There is substantial RSA funding available for this major project without adversely impacting other RSA operations.

STANDARD: Whether the construction will provide an improved alternate route to a road currently certified for maintenance.

FINDING: Yes. The new road construction will provide access through granted road easement. Road grades will meet RSA standards which cannot be met on the existing route.

SECTION 2. The RSA board recommends the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly approve the construction of a realignment section of portion of Ridge Street based on the above findings.

SECTION 3. A copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the mayor and the assembly.

RESOLVED BY THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ROAD SERVICE AREA BOARD THIS 12TH DAY OF JULY 2011.



Sam McLane, Road Service Area Board Chair

ATTEST:



Doug Schoessler, Roads Director