

SUBJECT: INFORMING THE ASSEMBLY OF A COOPERATION AGREEMENT THAT WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE BOROUGH MANAGER FOR SIGNATURE, FOR THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH AND THE KNIK TRIBAL COUNCIL TO WORK TOGETHER ON THE UPDATE TO THE BOROUGH HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN.

AGENDA OF: August 4, 2020

ASSEMBLY ACTION:

MANAGER RECOMMENDATION: For information only.

APPROVED BY GEORGE HAYS, ACTING BOROUGH MANAGER:

George Hays

Route To:	Department/Individual	Initials	Remarks
	Originator - A. Bradway	<i>AB</i>	
	Planning and Land Use Director	<i>EP</i>	
	Finance Director	<i>CK</i>	
	Borough Attorney	<i>NS</i>	
	Borough Clerk	<i>Sum 7/27/20 KBJ</i>	

ATTACHMENT (S): Cooperation Agreement between the Knik Tribal Council and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough (2 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT: The Borough is currently updating its 1987 Historic Preservation Plan. A goal of this update is to gather public input through one-on-one interviews, stakeholder meetings, and general public meetings.

The Borough values the wealth of historical knowledge that the Knik Tribe maintains, and would like to include their input in the plan update. The Borough would like to formally recognize the Knik Tribal Council, a federally-recognized tribal government, as a partner on this project.

The attached Cooperation Agreement outlines the responsibilities of the Knik Tribal Council and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. There is no monetary value associated with this agreement.

**COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE KNIK TRIBAL COUNCIL AND
THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH**

This Cooperation Agreement entered into this ____ day of _____, 2020, by and between the Knik Tribal Council, a federally-recognized tribal government, and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. The purpose of this Cooperation Agreement is to foster cooperation towards a shared interest in historic preservation of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and to honor the history and culture of the Knik Tribal Council.

In consideration of the mutual understandings hereinafter set forth, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

1. The Matanuska-Susitna Borough is beginning the process to update the Historic Preservation component of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Comprehensive Plan. MSB 15.24.030(B)(1).
2. The Knik Tribal Council and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough agree to cooperate on the update of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Historic Preservation Plan.
3. The Knik Tribal Council agrees to provide cultural and historical information relevant to the update of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Historic Preservation Plan.
4. The Matanuska-Susitna Borough agrees to list the Knik Tribal Council as a Partner in the update to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Historical Preservation Plan.
5. No cooperation agreement previously entered into between the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the Knik Tribal Council shall be construed to apply to any project(s) covered by this Cooperation Agreement.
6. This Cooperation Agreement shall not be abrogated, changed, or modified without the written consent of authorized individuals of both the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the Knik Tribal Council.
7. This agreement constitutes an integrated agreement. No statements, either written or oral, prior to or contemporaneous with the execution of this document may be used to vary the terms hereof.

8. Each party agrees, by signature to this document, that it has had an adequate opportunity to review its contents and consult with any agent or advisor that the party deems necessary prior to execution and, in executing this document, is fully aware of all terms and conditions contained herein.
9. This Cooperation Agreement may be terminated by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough or the Knik Tribal Council for any reason and at any time upon notice to the other party. Each party agrees to provide a written notice of termination to the other party.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the Knik Tribal Council have respectively signed this Cooperation Agreement and caused their seals to be affixed and attested to as of the day and year first above written.

(SEAL)

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

ITS: _____

Print Title

Attest: _____

Print Name/Title

(SEAL)

KNIK TRIBAL COUNCIL

ITS: _____

Print Title

Attest: _____

Print Name/Title