NONCODE ORDINANCE

Sponsored By: Borough Manager

Introduced: 08/04/20 Public Hearing: 08/18/20 Adopted: 08/18/20

## MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 20-078

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY APPROVING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$625,000 FROM THE WEST LAKES FIRE SERVICE AREA FUND BALANCE, FUND 249, TO PROJECT NO. 45200, FUND 405, TO PURCHASE AND UPGRADE A BUILDING FOR A NEW WEST LAKES FIRE STATION.

WHEREAS, annexation of properties on and near West Susitna Parkway has created a sizeable distance from any existing fire station; and

WHEREAS, residences within a fire service area that are farther than five road miles from a fire station incur not only delayed emergency services but also increased homeowner's insurance premiums; and

WHEREAS, emergency call volume is increasing in the West Susitna Parkway area as roads are developed and homes are built. An additional station in the West Lakes Fire Service Area would serve the best interest of Borough residents by providing a quicker response of emergency fire services; and

WHEREAS, the cost to develop Borough-owned parcels in West Susitna Parkway target area is too great (at approximately 2.5 mil.) and does not serve the best interest of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the parcel of interest is for sale and includes a developed and useable area and is located on West Susitna Parkway within the area of need; and

WHEREAS, the parcel also features a preexisting steel three-bay building with a developed well and septic system and requires only a few upgrades to utilize it as a fire station; and

WHEREAS, the West Lakes Fire Service Area Chief and Board of Supervisors supports this appropriation; and

WHEREAS, the approved scope of work and budget is contained in Resolution Serial No. 20-079.

## BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. <u>Classification</u>. This Ordinance is a noncode ordinance.

Section 2. <u>Appropriation Source</u>. The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly hereby approves an appropriation of \$625,000 to Project No. 45200, from the West Lakes Fire Service Area Fund Balance, Fund 249, to purchase and upgrade a building for a new West Lakes Fire Station.

Section 3. <u>Effective Date</u>. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly this 18 day of August, 2020.

VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

(SEAL)

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Hale, Nowers, McKee, Leonard, Mayfield, Sumner, and Boeve