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MANAGER'S REPORT

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To: The Mayor and Council

From: Marvin L Yoder

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Enstar Refund

The Finance Department received a second FMA check from Enstar in the amount of \$493,000. This covers all of 2013 connections as well as the remaining connections from the first quarter of 2014.

Recreation Service Area

There was a meeting held on February 26 to discuss a Recreation Service Area which would include the City and some areas around the City. Two KPB employees (mayor staff and attorney) attended the meeting to discuss the variables of how a service areas works.

To establish a service area would require an election by all the people who would be in the district. An exception is that the City Council could decide to be a part of the larger service area without a vote inside the City.

Questions were asked regarding administration. For instance, the Hockey Rink needs some capital funding, but the volunteer non-profit organization in charge of the operation could remain.

In answer to a question, the Borough staff said they were not interested in Parks being a part of the Recreation service area.

Borough Staff indicated that if the service area included Homer, Kachemak, Diamond Ridge and Fritz Creek, ½ mil would generate over \$350,000. Of course, all these areas would need to have recreation opportunities if they were contributing to the funding.

Gas Line Loan

The City Council approved securing a loan from the Borough in the amount of \$12,700,000. The actual construction cost to date is \$12,359,388. There may be a few

other charges, however the City will be repaying the difference between the actual expenditures and the original loan amount.

Waddell Way

The City is preparing a plat to vacate the Easement on Parcel E and plat a 60 ROW on parcel 2. Once the plat is complete it will sent to the City Planning Commission and then to the Borough Planning Commission for approval.

Letter of Support

The Kachemak Bay Family Planning Clinic is requesting a letter of support from the City for their application for a three-year grant from the State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS/Department), Division of Public Health (DPH/Division). The grant is titled Teen and Unintended Pregnancy Prevention. Katie will be writing a letter on their behalf.

FYI

- Invitation from the Coast Guard for Bryan Hawkins to be a part of the Technical Risk Assessment Group that will review the potential LNG marine traffic in Cook Inlet.
- Alaska Association of Police Chiefs position Paper on Marijuana.
- Alaska Association of Police Chiefs response to the proposed budget cuts to the Community Jails Program.
- Award to Kachemak Bay Water Trail Project
- Homer Foundation Quarterly Report
- Memorandum 15-028 from Public Works re: Road projects
- Kachemak Bay Family Planning Clinic request for letter of support
- AAHPA SCHOLARSHIP (Ports & Harbors) applications