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VP50 - part of quad
Share equip + facilities

6/25 Artiss Sturglewski
Trustee, Sheldon Jackson

VP50 - came down, start, dropout
approached by Sitka police chief -
who also have trouble recruiting -
Hindrade developed program
w/ justice emphasis.

2 year program - possible to do in less

really doing something

have info for us + task force
that will bring down

Myron 7/6

Non-profits to be able to
determine salary paid
to VP50s.

Don't have to do that
in other paid

Denise Liccioli

From: Myron P. Naneng [mnaneng@avcp.org]
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2007 11:14 AM
To: Denise Liccioli
Subject: Fwd(2): Re: VPSO Task Force

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Thanks for appointing me to the task force. We have a booklet where we did an inventory of needs for VPSO's here in our region a couple of years ago. Many of the issues still remain and new issues have come up since.

Oversight Troopers need to have cultural awareness training with VPSO's and villages that they work with. They are not missionaries who are to change the way people live in villages and the village structure of community policing needs to be respected by them. Villages also do their own community policing and they need to be supported to reduce any activity that is considered to be criminal, including orders by some villages that have had their Tribal courts outline restrictions for their own tribal members on behalf of their village.

Housing needs is a need that we have to constantly work on with communities. State troopers in hubs have been built apartments that force them out of their own homes to be placed into one location, rather than around the community to help with community policing. One standard that is considered in the urban site is considered different for some hub locations.

VPSO's are placed under strict scrutiny and limits, when even State Troopers have violated a game law are relocated elsewhere, where many of our VPSO's are not able to relocate and have a desk job as some troopers have the luxury of.

These are just some of the issues that we have to work with in villages and region. We would like some consideration of these issues and work to resolve them where our VPSO's can work in harmony with oversight troopers and their community members in having safer communities. Quyana.

"Denise Liccioli" <Denise_Liccioli@legis.state.ak.us> writes:
Good afternoon,

Since the members of the above task force have now been appointed, as Senator Olson's staff supporting this task force, I thought I should send an email to gather some information from you in preparation for future meetings and possible teleconferences to do the work of the task force.

First, please let me know if you will designate someone to represent you on this task force; and also which of your staff you want to include in these communications even if you will represent yourself. I want to be sure I have the right people in the mailing list. I will also need phone (work, home cell, whichever you want us to use), fax, email and regular mailing addresses.

I asked Public Safety staff to put together some information on the VPSO program that I could copy and distribute to all of you. Things like where VPSOs and Troopers are, existing



Village Public Safety Officer Program



The Village Public Safety Officer Program began in the late 1970's as a means of providing rural Alaskan communities with needed public safety services at the local level. The program was created to reduce the loss of life due to fires, drowning, lost person, and the lack of immediate emergency medical assistance in rural communities. The Village Public Safety Officer Program was designed to train and employ individuals residing in the village as first responders to public safety emergencies such as search and rescue, fire protection, emergency medical assistance, crime prevention and basic law enforcement. The presence of these officers has had a significant impact on improving the quality of life in the participating villages. As a result, the Village Public Safety Officers (VPSO) are generally the first to respond to many calls for help from community members; hence their motto:

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" FIRST RESPONDERS - LAST FRONTIER "

Alaska State Troopers and Village Public Safety Officers are both essential but different resources to the Department of Public Safety and the State of Alaska. These two public safety assets are not interchangeable in their roles within the Criminal Justice System or within their general public safety responsibilities. The two are not comparable in their services nor in the commensurate costs that are involved in establishing their availability in the field.

Law enforcement in most rural areas is the primary responsibility of the Alaska State Troopers. From rural outposts the Troopers attempt to respond immediately to emergencies, felony, and misdemeanor cases. Their efforts, however, are often hampered by delayed notification, long response distance, the uncertainties of weather and transportation. In communities associated with the Village Public Safety Officer Program, citizens are afforded immediate response to all emergencies without delays caused by weather, distance, or budgetary restraints. Although VPSOs are not expected to handle high risk or complex investigative situations, they are the "First Responders" to all volatile situations in their communities. Working as a team with the Alaska State Troopers, they can stabilize most volatile situations and protect crime scenes until the Troopers can arrive. VPSOs frequently conduct and complete misdemeanor and minor felony investigations with assistance provided by the State Troopers.

Funding for the Village Public Safety Officer Program is provided by the legislature and managed by the Alaska State Troopers. The funds are awarded to participating regional Native nonprofit corporations through grant requests. The primary purpose of regional contracting is to place the local administration of the Program into the hands of an organization more aware of the specific needs of the areas to be served and to deal with a workable number of contracts while retaining a certain amount of regional flexibility. Each contractor, with the concurrence of the Division of State Troopers, selects which communities will participate.

Once the community has been selected, the local community, with the assistance of the State Troopers, is responsible for the selection and the daily activities of the Village Public Safety Public Officer. The contractor arranges for all salary payments based on the submission of time sheets from the communities. Group insurance plans, retirement plans, and maintenance of full financial accountability of contracted funds are also the responsibility of the contractor.



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BECOME A VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER!



• WHAT IS A VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER?

Village Public Safety Officers (VPSO's) are dedicated concerned citizens living in rural areas within Alaska who assist their villages in all aspects of public safety. VPSOs do not carry firearms, although they are trained with non lethal weapons, such as pepper spray and expandable batons. VPSO's are generally the first to respond to calls for help from community members; hence their motto:

"FIRST RESPONDERS - LAST FRONTIER"

• WHO DOES A VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER WORK FOR?

A VPSO is employed by the Native nonprofit corporation responsible for the area in which a VPSO lives. The selection of a VPSO in a particular village is jointly approved by the Village Government, the non-profit corporation and the Alaska State Troopers.

• IS A VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER A STATE EMPLOYEE?

No. A VPSO works for the Native nonprofit corporation. Law enforcement activities are supervised by the Alaska State Troopers.

• WHAT KIND OF TRAINING DOES A VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER GET?

A VPSO learns about law enforcement, first aid, fire fighting and other public safety issues by attending a ten-week VPSO Academy, which includes a two week fire fighting course, and annual training in a regional area near the village.

• WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER?

A VPSO must be 21 years of age, a U.S. citizen, and be of good moral character.

• WHERE DO I APPLY TO BE A VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER?

Persons interested in becoming a Village Public Safety Officer should contact the Native nonprofit corporations and check the employment opportunity page often for position openings.

13 AAC 96.080 Basic Standards for Village Public Safety Officer

If you answer "Yes" to the following questions, you may qualify to become a VPSO:

1. Are you a citizen of the United States or a residence alien who has demonstrated intent to become a citizen of the United States?
2. Are you 18 years of age?
3. Are you of good moral character?
4. Do you have a high school diploma, or its equivalent, or have passed a General Educational Development (GED) test?
5. Before attending a basic training program under 13 AAC 96.100 (VPSO Academy),
 - (A) you must receive a physical examination by a physician lawfully admitted to practice in this state, and
 - (B) on the medical record form supplied by the Department of Public Safety, that physician must certify that you are:
 - (i) free from a physical or hearing condition which would adversely affect performance of an essential function of a

village public safety officer;

(ii) have normal color discrimination, normal binocular coordination, normal peripheral vision, and corrected visual acuity of 20/30 or better in each eye;

(iii) free from a mental or emotional condition that would adversely affect the performance of an essential function of a village public safety officer.

If you answer to all the following questions, you may qualify to become a VPSO:

6. Have you been convicted, by a civilian court of this state, the United States, or another state or territory, or by a military court, of one or more of the following offenses, or of an offense with substantially similar elements to such an offense under Alaska law?

(A) a felony;

(B) any misdemeanor within five (5) years of the date of hire;

(C) a misdemeanor within 10 years of the date of hire, if the misdemeanor involved:

(i) an assault against a family member, former family member, member of the individuals household, or former member of the household?

(ii) the violation of a domestic violence restraining order?

(D) two or more DWI offenses?

7. Have you ever:

(A) illegally manufactured, transported, or delivered:

(i) a controlled substance?

(ii) an alcohol beverage in violation of a local option under AS 04.11 or a municipal ordinance?

(B) illegally used a controlled substance other than marijuana during the 10 years immediately before the date of hire, unless you were under the age of 21 at the time of using the controlled substance?

8. Have you been denied village public safety officer certification or had that certification revoked?

9. Have you been discharged for cause or resigned under threat of discharge for cause from employment as a village public safety officer, a village police officer, or a police officer in this state or any other state?

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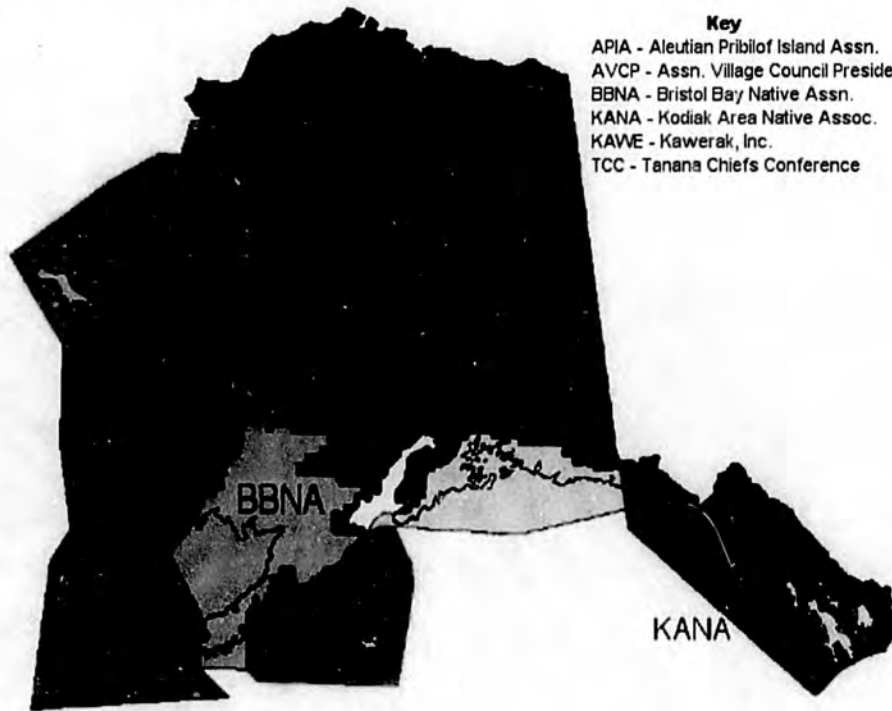
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Employment Opportunities

For

Village Public Safety Officers



For employment opportunities, contact the individual Native Nonprofit Corporations by using the email link provided below.

Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Association (APIA)

Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP)

Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA)

Kawerak, Inc. (KAWVE)

Kodiak Area Native Association (KANA)

Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC)

**For More Information on the VPSO Program, contact:**

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The Alaska State Troopers
VPSO Program Office
4500 W. 50th
Anchorage, Alaska 99502
Phone 907-248-1410
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Serving: statewide

Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association (APIA)
Richard Krause, VPSO Coordinator
201 E. 3rd Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Phone 907-222-4220
Fax 907-279-4351
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Email: richardk@apiai.org

Serving: Adak, Akutan, Atka, False Pass, King Cove, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski and Saint George

Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP)
George Nicholai, VPSO Coordinator
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Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA)
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Kawerak, Inc
Gina Appolloni, VPSO Director
P.O. Box 948
Nome, Alaska 99762
Phone: 907-443-5231
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Toll Free: 1-877-219-2599
Fax: 907-443-4445
Email: vpsopd@kawerak.org

Serving: Brevig Mission, Elim, Gambell, Golovin, Koyuk, Little Diomede, Savoonga, Shaktoolik, Shishmaref, Saint Michael, Stebbins, Teller, Unalakleet, Wales, and White Mountain

Kodiak Area Native Association (KANA)
Valent Maxwell, VPSO Coordinator
3449 Rezanof Drive East
Kodiak, Alaska 99615
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Direct Phone: 907-486-3750
Fax: 907-486-9898
Email: val.maxwell@kanaweb.org

Serving: Akhiok, Ambler, Angoon, Buckland, Deering, Kiana, Kivalina, Kobuk, Kodiak, Larsen Bay, Noatak, Noorvik, Old Harbor, Ouzinkie, Port Lions, Selawik, Shungnak, and Thorne Bay

Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC)
VPSO Coordinator James Knopke
122 First Avenue, Suite #600,
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701-4897
Phone 800-478-6822 ext. 3236
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Email: jknopke@tananchiefs.org

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Village Public Safety Officers Seniority List

During fiscal year 2002, there were 85 villages funded for Village Public Safety Officers. Following is the Village Public Safety Officers Seniority List that details the villages that had Village Public Safety Officer positions as of May 2004. Please note that the Adobe Acrobat Reader is required to view this list and can be downloaded here.

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"First Responders - Last Frontier"

Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program is a community public safety and law enforcement service. In addition to law enforcement, VPSO's also provide search & rescue, fire prevention & protection, emergency medical services, probation & parole and the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program in their communities.

VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

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Dan Harrelson

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Vacant: Diomedé, Savoonga, Golovin, Brevig Mission, Wales, Shaktolik and Elim



VPSO Regional Training



Donald Webb Safety Class Shishmaref

Contact the VPSO Program:

Kawerak, Inc.
P.O. Box 948
Nome, AK 99762
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Fax : 907-443-4445
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Denise Liccioli

From: Sen. Donny Olson
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2007 3:31 PM
To: 'JbrownRivers@yahoo.com'
Subject: VPSO Memorandum of Agreement

Hello Joyce,

Senator Olson received your fax containing the existing and proposed VPSO agreements. The VPSO Task Force was established to hear from the residents of this State regarding public safety in rural Alaska, and to recommend ways to strengthen and improve the program. Although I'm sure that changes to the agreement may affect the strength of the program over the long run, review of the agreements does not fall within the purview of what the Task Force is tasked to do. Thank you for the good intentions in trying to include the Task Force on matters pertaining to the VPSO program.

Denise Liccioli
Staff to Senator Olson

due for a mtg.

Fax Cover Sheet

City of Mountain Village
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Sent to: Senator Donny Olson	From: Joyce Brown-Rivers
Attention: VPSO Task Force Committee	Date: Thursday, November 01, 2007
Office Location:	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	For your information

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Comments: Good afternoon Mr. Senator Olson,

Enclosed are copies of the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Mountain Village And AVCP, Inc. VPSO Program. Please note that from pages 2 (two) through 7 (seven) are Recommendation of changes received from our city attorney, and from pages 8 (eight) * to 12 (twelve)* are the original Memorandum of Agreement received from AVCP, Inc. VPSO Program.
The city council directed me to ask the VPSO Task Force Committee to review both MOA's And get back with us as to what is the committee's professional opinion. This immediate Response from you would be most appreciated.
Any questions or concern, please don't hesitate to contact at numbers above or simply email to JbrownRivers@Yahoo.Com. Thank you so much for your response.
<i>Joyce A. Brown-Rivers</i>
Joyce A. Brown-Rivers
City Manager

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement, hereafter referred to as "Agreement," is made and entered into this ___ day of _____, 2007, by and between the City of Mountain Village, Alaska, a municipal corporation, PO Box 32085, Mountain Village, Alaska, 99632, hereafter referred to as "City," and the Association of Village Council Presidents, PO Box 219, Bethel, Alaska, 99559, hereafter referred to as "AVCP."

RECITALS**1. VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER.**

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that AVCP will employ, and the City will accept, a Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) in the Community of Mountain Village, Alaska. The VPSO Program is operated by AVCP through a grant from the State of Alaska.

B. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the City accepts the powers, duties and responsibilities of the "Supervising Village" as stated in this Agreement, and will encourage and support the VPSOs enforcement of the laws of the State of Alaska.

C. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that VPSO, who is employed by AVCP shall serve as a first level responder in Mountain Village and his or her duties shall include, but are not limited to, providing law enforcement, emergency medical services, fire protection and prevention, water safety, search and rescue, community policing, public safety education, disaster coordination, and probation and parole monitoring in accordance with the VPSO Program Grant referred to above.

D. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that VPSOs shall not supervise or direct the activities of Tribal Police Officers, Village Police Officers or any other non-VPSC public safety officers.

2. SUPERVISION AND WORK SCHEDULE.

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that while the VPSO is to be employed hereunder by AVCP, the VPSO shall be under the immediate supervision of the City. The VPSO Coordinator and the City shall work together to determine the work schedule of the VPSO in accordance with the Community's needs and conditions.

B. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the VPSO's work day shall not exceed seven and one half (7.5) hours, nor shall the VPSO's work week exceed 37.5 hours, with two (2) consecutive days off. AVCP will only compensate the VPSO for any overtime worked in response to situations involving threats to life or property or under other emergency circumstances.

C. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the VPSO shall be placed into Temporary Duty Assignments, within the AVCP Region, as needed, at the request of the VPSO Coordinator.

D. **IT IS FURTHER AGREED**, that as an employee of AVCP, the VPSO has the benefit of, and is subject to the Personnel Policies and Administrative Rules and Procedures of AVCP, except to the extent that those Policies, Rules and Procedures, may be superseded by the VPSO Program Grant or the VPSO Job Description attached to this Agreement as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

3. **FIREARMS POLICY.**

A. **IT IS HEREBY AGREED**, that in accordance with the VPSO Program Grant, the VPSO will not, except in the case of an emergency, carry a firearm.

4. **OFFICE SPACE.**

A. **IT IS HEREBY AGREED**, that the City will provide for its VPSO safe, sanitary, and secure office space, equipment, and supplies suitable and necessary to enable the VPSO to perform his or her duties.

B. **IT IS FURTHER AGREED**, that the City will provide all necessary utility services for the VPSO's office, including but not limited to heat, electricity, telephone with long distance services, internet and e-mail access, and janitorial services.

5. **RESIDENTIAL LIVING QUARTERS.**

A. **IT IS HEREBY AGREED**, that if the VPSO is not from the community of Mountain Village, Alaska, the City will provide for its VPSO safe, sanitary, and secure residential living quarters suitable and necessary for the VPSO.

B. **IT IS FURTHER AGREED**, that the City will provide all necessary utility services for the VPSO's residential living quarters, including but not limited to heat and electricity.

6. **VPSO VEHICLE.**

A. **IT IS FURTHER AGREED**, that if AVCP provides Mountain Village, Alaska with any vehicles for its VPSO, the VPSO shall be the only person authorized to operate the vehicle(s) provided. Any assigned vehicle(s) must be kept by the VPSO at the VPSO's place of residence to enable prompt emergency responses. Additionally, the City will be responsible, at all times, for maintaining, repairing and keeping in good working order and providing fuel, oil and other products to any and/or all vehicles provided by AVCP.

7. **TERMS.**

A. **IT IS HEREBY AGREED**, that the terms of this Agreement, shall become effective on the date signed and shall remain in force and effect for a period of one year. Thereafter, the terms and conditions specified in this Agreement shall continue on a month-to-month basis until this Agreement is either renewed or renegotiated.

8. **TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT.**

A. AVCP or the City may terminate this Agreement at any time, with or without cause, upon five (5) days written notice to the other. If this Agreement is terminated, each party shall only be required to pay for their own expenses that were incurred prior to the effective date of termination.

9. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.**

A. AVCP and the City are, and at all times shall be and remain, independent contractors as to each other, and no joint venture, partnership, agency, or other relationship which would impose liability upon one party for the act or failure to act of the other shall be created or implied hereby or here from. Except as is expressly set forth herein, each party shall bear full and sole responsibility for its own expenses, liabilities, costs of operation and the like. Neither party has or shall have the power to bind the other party or to assume or to create any obligation or responsibility, express or implied, on behalf of or in the name of the other party.

10. **INDEMNIFICATION.**

A. AVCP shall defend, indemnify and hold the City, its officers, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all liability, loss, expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees), or claims for injury or damages arising out of the performance of this Agreement but only in proportion to and to the extent such liability, loss, expense, attorneys' fees or claims for injury or damages are caused by or result from the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of AVCP, its officers, employees or agents.

11. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.**

A. During the term of this Agreement, the City will not enter into any activity, employment, or business arrangement which conflicts with AVCP's interests or the Community Council's obligations under this Agreement. The City will advise AVCP of its position with respect to any activity, employment or business arrangement contemplated by the City, which might conflict with AVCP's interests or give the appearance of conflicting with AVCP's interest.

12. **NOTICE.**

A. Any notices required or permitted by this Agreement must be in writing and will be considered delivered when received by the party to whom it is addressed either by facsimile or when received by the party to whom it is addressed using the United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the address set forth in this Agreement.

13. **SEVERABILITY.**

A. If any part of this Agreement is found to be invalid or unenforceable by a court, the remaining parts of this Agreement will remain in effect, enforceable and valid.

14. WAIVER.

A. The failure of either party to enforce any provisions of this Agreement shall not limit that party's right to subsequently require compliance with this Agreement.

15. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENTS.

A. This Agreement is the entire agreement between AVCP and the City. Oral changes are not valid. This Agreement can only be changed by a written amendment signed by both parties. This Agreement shall bind AVCP and the City, its successors, executives, administrators, assigns, or legal representatives.

16. AUTHORITY.

A. Each party and each individual who executes this Agreement on behalf of any such party represents and warrants, to and for the benefit of the other party that: (a) all actions by the governing body of such party have been performed that are necessary to (i) bind such party to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and carry out the transactions contemplated herein, and (ii) authorize such individual to execute this Agreement on behalf of such party.

17. WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.

A. AVCP hereby waives and promises not to assert as a defense its sovereign immunity or any other form of immunity in the event that the City seeks to enforce the provisions of this Agreement. AVCP's relinquishment and waiver herein is limited to the sole purpose set forth in this provision and applies to no other agreement.

18. GOVERNING LAWS.

A. Both the City and AVCP agree to comply with Title 13, Part 1, Chapter 96 of the Alaska Administrative Code as well as all other state and federal laws. Further, all requirements under state and federal laws are incorporated into this Agreement.

B. All claims, disputes and other matters in question, arising out of, or in relation to, the content, interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be decided by an arbitration board composed of three individuals who are from AVCP's Member Tribes. One individual shall be chosen by AVCP, one shall be chosen by the City and one shall be mutually agreed upon by AVCP and the City or, if selection cannot be agreed on, by appointment by a Superior Court Judge of the Third Judicial District, Anchorage, Alaska. The decision of the arbitration board shall be binding on AVCP and the City. The arbitration board shall apply all applicable state and federal laws. Notice of demand for arbitration shall be served upon the other party to this Agreement within thirty (30) days after the party serving the demand reasonably determines the dispute or matter in question cannot be resolved by negotiation. The arbitration board shall enter a written decision reflecting findings of fact and conclusions of law. The arbitrator shall not apply equitable relief that would not be applied by the Courts of the State of Alaska. The arbitration shall be conducted in or near Bethel, Alaska, or such other location as agreed by the parties. The arbitrator's fees and costs shall be borne equally by the parties. The arbitration

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board may not award attorneys fees and costs to any party unless, in the arbitration board's sole opinion, the other party presented frivolous claims or defenses or engaged in behavior resulting in fees and costs greater than what would have been reasonably incurred. The arbitration board shall determine the type and extent of pre-arbitration procedure and discovery, taking into account the amount in dispute and the nature of the claims and defense and after hearing the views of the parties.

Signature

Signature

Printed Name

Printed Name

Mayor

Title

City of Mountain Village

Association of Village Council Presidents

Date

Date

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JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE:	Village Public Safety Officer
DEPARTMENT:	AVCP VPSO Program
REPORTS TO:	Village Council
POSITION STATUS:	Full-time, Non-Exempt
JOB CLASS:	\$16.55 per hour

SUMMARY:

Under the direction of the Village Public Safety Officer Program Coordinator, the VPSO will provide Police, Fire, Emergency Trauma Treatment, Water Safety, and Search and Rescue Coordination to the assigned Village. The City/Village Council, in accordance to the Memorandum of Agreement, will decide what the VPSO's specific duties will be and approved by the VPSO Coordinator.

Duties & Responsibilities:

1. Law Enforcement:

- Patrol and enforce curfew.
- Investigate misdemeanor crimes and write reports.
- Assist troopers during investigations of felonies.
- Complete required reports on time.

2. Fire Protection

- Maintain fire equipment.
- Conduct fire drills at schools.
- Conduct fire department meetings.
- Train volunteer fire fighters in fire fighting.
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EXHIBIT A

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

THIS MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT is entered by and between the Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP), of P.O. Box 219, Bethel, Alaska 99559 herein called "AVCP", and the _____ Council of _____, Alaska, herein called "Community Council."

RECITALS

1. VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER.

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that AVCP will employ, and the Community Council will accept, a Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) in the Community of _____, Alaska. The VPSO Program is operated by AVCP through a grant from the State of Alaska.

B. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the Community Council accepts the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Community Council, or "Supervising Village" as stated in this MOA, and will encourage and support the VPSOs enforcement of the laws of the State of Alaska,

C. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that VPSOs employed by AVCP shall serve as first level responders in the communities where they are stationed and their duties shall include, but are not limited to, providing law enforcement, emergency medical services, fire protection and prevention, water safety, search and rescue, community policing, public safety education, disaster coordination and probation and parole monitoring, in accordance with the VPSO Program Grant referred to above.

D. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that VPSOs shall not supervise or direct the activities of Tribal Police Officers, Village Police Officers or any other non-VPSO public safety officers.

2. SUPERVISION AND WORK SCHEDULE.

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that while the VPSO is to be employed hereunder by AVCP, the VPSO shall be under the immediate supervision of the Community Council. The VPSO Coordinator and the Community Council shall work together to determine the work schedule of the VPSO in accordance with the Community's needs and conditions.

B. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the VPSOs work day shall not exceed seven and one half (7.5) hours, nor shall the VPSOs work week exceed 37.5 hours, with two (2) consecutive days off. AVCP will only compensate VPSOs for any overtime worked in response to situations involving threats to life or property or under other emergency circumstances.

C. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the VPSO shall be placed into Temporary Duty Assignments, within the AVCP Region, as needed, at the request of the VPSO Coordinator.

D. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that as an employee of AVCP, the VPSO has the benefit of, and is subject to the Personnel Policies and Administrative Rules and Procedures of AVCP, except to the extent that those Policies, Rules and Procedures, may be superseded by the VPSO Program Grant referred to above.

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3. FIREARMS POLICY.

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that in accordance with the VPSO Program Grant referred to above, a VPSO will not, except in the case of an emergency, carry a firearm.

4. OFFICE SPACE.

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that the Community Council will provide for its VPSO, safe, sanitary, and secure office space, equipment, and supplies suitable and necessary to enable the VPSO to perform his or her duties.

B. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the Community Council will provide all necessary utility services for the VPSO's office, including but not limited to heat, electricity, telephone with long distance services, internet and e-mail access, and janitorial services.

5. RESIDENTIAL LIVING QUARTERS.

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that if the VPSO is not from the community of _____, Alaska, the Community Council will provide for its VPSO, safe, sanitary, and secure residential living quarters suitable and necessary for the VPSO.

B. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that the Community Council will provide all necessary utility services for the VPSO's residential living quarters, including but not limited to heat and electricity.

6. VPSO VEHICLE.

A. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that if AVCP provided _____, Alaska with any vehicles for its VPSO, the VPSO shall be the only person authorized to operate the vehicle(s) provided. Any assigned vehicle(s) must be kept by the VPSO at the VPSO's place of residence to enable prompt emergency responses. Additionally, the Community Council will be responsible, at all times, for maintaining, repairing and keeping in good working order and providing fuel, oil and other products to any and/or all vehicles provided by AVCP.

7. TERMS.

A. IT IS HEREBY AGREED, that the terms of this agreement, shall become effective on the date signed and shall remain in force and effect for a period of one year. Thereafter, the terms and conditions specified in this Agreement shall continue on a month-to-month basis until this agreement is either renewed or renegotiated.

8. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT.

A. AVCP or the Community Council may terminate this agreement at any time, with or without cause, upon five (5) days written notice to the other. If this Agreement is terminated, each party shall only be required to pay for their own expenses that were incurred prior to the effective date of termination.

9. NO WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.

A. Nothing in this agreement or the VPSO Program Grant is intended, or shall be construed, as a waiver of the Community Council's Tribal Sovereign Immunity, if the Community Council is a federally-recognized Indian tribe.

10. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.

A. AVCP and the Community Council are, and at all times shall be and remain, independent contractors as to each other, and no joint venture, partnership, agency or other relationship which would impose liability upon one party for the act or failure to act of the other shall be created or implied hereby or herefrom. Except as is expressly set forth herein, each party shall bear full and sole responsibility for its own expenses, liabilities, costs of operation and the like.

Neither party has or shall have the power to bind the other party or to assume or to create any obligation or responsibility, express or implied, on behalf of or in the name of the other party.

11. INDEMNIFICATION.

A. AVCP shall defend, indemnify and hold the Community Council its officers, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all liability, loss, expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees), or claims for injury or damages arising out of the performance of this agreement but only in proportion to and to the extent such liability, loss, expense, attorneys' fees or claims for injury or damages are caused by or result from the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of AVCP, its officers, employees or agents.

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12. CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

A. During the term of this agreement, the Community Council will not enter into any activity, employment, or business arrangement which conflicts with AVCP's interests or the Community Council's obligations under this agreement. The Community Council will advise AVCP of its position with respect to any activity, employment, or business arrangement contemplated by the Contractor, which might conflict with AVCP's interests or give the appearance of conflicting with AVCP's interest.

13. CONFIDENTIALITY.

A. Each party to this agreement will treat as proprietary any information belonging to other that was disclosed during the term of this agreement will not disclose that information to third parties without express written permission.

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14. NOTICE.

A. Any notices required or permitted by this agreement must be in writing and will be considered delivered when received by the party to whom it is addressed either by facsimile or when received by the party to whom it is addressed using the United States mail, first-class, postage prepaid, to the address set forth in this agreement.

15. SEVERABILITY.

A. If any part of this agreement is found to be invalid or unenforceable by a court, the remaining parts of this agreement will remain in effect, enforceable and valid.

16. WAIVER.

A. The failure of either party to enforce any provisions of this agreement shall not limit that party's right to subsequently require compliance with this agreement.

17. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENTS.

A. This agreement is the entire agreement between AVCP and the Community Council. Oral changes are not valid. This agreement can only be changed by a written amendment signed by both parties. This agreement shall bind AVCP and the Community Council, its successors, executors, administrators, assigns, or legal representatives.

18. GOVERNING LAWS.

A. The parties involved agree that any dispute between AVCP and the Community Council over the content, interpretation or implementation of this agreement will be brought forth to a decision by an arbitration board composed of three individuals who are from AVCP's Member Tribes. One individual shall be chosen by AVCP, one shall be chosen by the Community Council and one shall be mutually agreed upon by AVCP and the Community Council. The decision of the arbitration board shall be binding on AVCP and the Community Council. The arbitration board shall apply all applicable Tribal, state and federal laws.

Signature _____

Signature _____

Printed Name _____

Printed Name _____

Title _____

Title _____

Name of Council _____

Association of Village Council Presidents

Date _____

Date _____

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JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Village Public Safety Officer
DEPARTMENT: AVCP VPSO Program
REPORTS TO: Village Council
POSITION STATUS: Full-time, Non-Exempt
JOB CLASS: \$16.55 per hour

SUMMARY:

Under the direction of the Village Public Safety Officer Program Coordinator, the VPSO will provide Police, Fire, Emergency Trauma Treatment, Water Safety, and Search and Rescue Coordination to the assigned Village. The City/Village Council, in accordance to the

Memorandum of Agreement, will decide what the VPSO's specific duties will be and approved by the VPSO Coordinator.

Duties & Responsibilities:**1. Law Enforcement**

- Patrol and enforce curfew.
- Investigate misdemeanor crimes and write reports.
- Assist troopers during investigations of felonies.
- Complete required reports on time.

2. Fire Protection

- Maintain fire equipment.
- Conduct fire drills at schools.
- Conduct fire department meetings.
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Denise Liccioli

From: Loretta Bullard [president@kawerak.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2007 3:01 PM
To: Denise Liccioli
Subject: Fwd: Re: Biography & Photograph

Denise - here's my amended bio.

Loretta Bullard is President of Kawerak, Inc., a regional tribal nonprofit consortium in western Alaska. Kawerak has administered the VPSO Program in the Bering Straits Region since the program's inception. Loretta was raised in Nome and currently serves on the Alaska Federation of Natives Board and Human Resources Committee, the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission, and the national BIA Tribal Budget Advisory Committee. Loretta is enrolled to the Nome Eskimo community and has two daughters, Loren and Anna.

Denise Liccioli

From: Denise Liccioli
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2007 2:33 PM
To: Ginger Blaisdell
Cc: Senator Olson
Subject: VPSO Task force public members

Hi Ginger,

Senator Olson would like to appoint Art Heckman (549-3440) from Pilot Station; and Loretta Bullard (443-5231) President of Kawerak. Donny asked me to contact them on his behalf because of his travel schedule, to see if they are interested and available. Both have said yes. I asked them each to send me a brief bio or resume or couple sentences about themselves, part of which might go into a press release. We're assuming that Senator Olson will be appointed Chair. Once it's all official, I'll start contacting the members to set up some kind of schedule. Please let me know if you need anything else from me on this.

~Denise
x3880

Arthur S. "Art" Heckman, age 50, with an address of P.O. Box 60, Pilot Station, Alaska 99650, is a shareholder of Pilot Station, Inc. and Calista Corporation. He has served on the Calista Board since 1990 and his current term expires in 2008. He has been the Chairman of the Board since 1994 and presently serves as Vice Chair of the President/CEO Performance Evaluation Committee, Secretary/Treasurer of both Audit/Finance/Investment and Shareholder Relations Committees and a member of the Corporate Governance and Compensation and Nominating Committees. His current service in Calista's subsidiaries or affiliates includes being Chair of Chiulista Services, Inc., Secretary/Treasurer of Bilista Contractors, Inc. and a member of the Calista Scholarship Fund. Mr. Heckman has an Associate's Degree in Business Administration from the Kuskokwim College in Bethel, 1977. He has been employed since 1982 as the General Manager for Pilot Station, Inc. His other experiences and affiliations include service on the Pilot Station Native Corporation board of directors, 1978-present; Chairman of the Association of Village Council Presidents, 1998-2000; Pilot Station Tradition Council, 2001-2004; City of Pilot Station Mayor, 1993 to 1999 and 2000-2003; Pilot Station City Council member; Lower Yukon School Board, 1997-2003; Association of Alaska School Boards, 2002-2003; AVCP Regional Housing Authority Board, 1996-1999; Lower Yukon Fisherman Drainage Association, 2004-present; and St. Herman's Theological Seminary Board of Trustees, 2004-present.

Art Heckman

Re: Senate VPSO Task Force

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Transmitted to: DENISE LICCIOLI, Finance Aide

Fax number: 907-465-4821

Phone number: 907-465-3707

Date: 5/31/07

From: ART HECKMAN

Message: SENATE UPSO TASK FORCE!

* P.S. Revised One! Hope its legible.

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 * RECEIVE *

 * FOR: SENATOR DONALD OLSON 907 465 4821 *

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 * TRANSACTION REPORT *

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Arthur B. "Art" Heckman, , lives in Pilot Station where he is currently the General Manager for Pilot Station, Incorporated, a position he has held since 1982. He has been on the Calista Corporation Board since 1990, and has served as Chairman in 1994 to the present. He also serves on the Chitista Camp Services Board and the Audit and Budget Committee, and the Ethics Committee. He is currently Chairman of Pilot Station Native Corporation (a position he has held since 1978) and in 1998-2000 he served as Chairman of the Association of Village Council Presidents. He is also Vice-Chairman of the Pilot Station Traditional Council. He was Mayor for the City of Pilot Station from 1993 to 1999 and was re-elected Mayor in 2000 to the present, and is serving a three-year term on the Pilot Station City Council. He was elected Chairman of the Lower Yukon School Board in November 2000 to the present. He was appointed to a Board seat on the Association of Alaska School Boards in March 2002. He also served on the AVCP Regional Housing Authority Board in 1996-1999. In 1977 he earned an Associate's Degree in Business Administration from the Kuskokwim College in Bethel. He is an original shareholder in Calista Corporation and Pilot Station, Inc.

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* problems
w/ VPSO
pgm.

4/27/07

Notes
from Don

Andrew Merrill
Sgt Norm Troopers
seemed sincere + genuine
time in bush Chevah

Wife took notes - highlights
& discussion

Kawerah - hire 10 positions
only 5 filled

Trouble retaining in villages
for various reasons

* Not paying enough Anc 10+ Troopers
VPSO less than secretary
not worth it, high turnover

* don't get support from Council
or community 80/20 users
of marijuana etc.

hesitate to put resources
toward law enforcement

* Need other work done
PR area outpost to work

w/ communities that want
to help themselves. Work
w/ kids etc + elders.

Keep 'em busy.

New generation then tend to
be sup^{rt} of law enforce.
to keep villages healthy.

Attended: Kawerak. (VPSO pgm dir)
Sgt Merrill, Trooper Sears,
drug + alc issues

Elim they council

IRA + members Native
Public, principal, adult ed. comm.

only 8 potential graduates, 0-graduates
dropped out or behind
Boredom is a main issue

all have resources, but off in
different directions - volunteers

in community have biggest impact.

"Dragon slayers" - young adults
1st responders for youth. Kids
that are involved, many more
on top of college.
Troopers said they would
embrace pgms such as this.

~~City~~
City office first in la community
la looks at theirs different
even though problems are same.

Stuck back out last night
end of session - RT working on
take old schoolhouse - pushed
aside & made foundation
& gave to city.
City has plans to keep kids busy
but no \$

to be dumped w/o \$
to renovate or improve.

have about 76K to use

Probably cost 400K to get
up to code.

has power, city will

asked Emely to write letter to
Senator + will get to us
ASAP

25-LS0856\C
Cook
4/25/07

CS FOR SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7()
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY

Offered:
Referred:

*adopted
5/15/07*

Sponsor(s): SENATOR OLSON

A RESOLUTION

1 **Creating and relating to the Senate VPSO Task Force.**

2 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:**

3 **WHEREAS** many rural areas of the state, including rural areas located on the road
4 system, depend on village public safety officers for police protection and law enforcement;
5 and

6 **WHEREAS** nonprofit regional corporations, coordinating with the state, administer
7 village public safety officer programs; and

8 **WHEREAS** it is in the interest of the entire state to ensure that rural areas are
9 provided with adequate law enforcement services;

10 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Senate VPSO Task Force is established in the legislative
11 branch by the senate, consisting of the attorney general or the attorney general's designee, the
12 commissioner of public safety or the commissioner's designee, three senators, and two public
13 members appointed by the president of the senate, who shall also designate one of the senate
14 members to serve as chair; and be it

15 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the public members of the task force may receive per
16 diem and travel expenses authorized for boards and commissions under AS 39.20.180, subject

1 to available funding and approval by the task force chair; and be it

2 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the task force shall

3 (1) consider the role of the village public safety officer program and ways in
4 which the program can be improved to better serve rural areas of the state, including areas
5 located on roads;

6 (2) identify any problems with the village public safety officer program and
7 ways those problems might be addressed;

8 (3) review statutes and regulations that deal with the village public safety
9 officer program and consider whether statutory changes are necessary or desirable;

10 (4) prepare and deliver to the senate, by February 15, 2008, a report of the
11 findings and recommendations of the task force; and be it

12 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that, subject to available funding, the chair of the task force
13 may hire staff and that the Legislative Affairs Agency shall provide administrative support to
14 the task force as needed; and be it

15 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Senate VPSO Task Force is terminated on
16 February 15, 2008.

17 **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Talis J. Colberg, Alaska
18 Attorney General; and the Honorable Walt Monegan, Commissioner, Department of Public
19 Safety.

SR7

6 meetings

	<u>Kodiak/Anc</u>	<u>Anchorage</u> \$278 Per Diem	<u>Airfare</u>	<u>Kodiak</u> \$214 Per Diem	
1 citizen	Juneau	\$556	750	214	
1 citizen	Anchorage		300	214	
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$556	600	214	
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$556	300	214	
1 Legislator	Nome	\$556	950	214	
1 staffer	Juneau	\$556	750	214	
		<u>\$2,780</u>	3,650	\$1,284	\$7,714
	<u>Juneau</u>	<u>\$218</u>			
1 citizen	Juneau	0	0		
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$436	450		
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$436	550		
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$436	650		
1 Legislator	Nome	\$436	1,100		
1 staffer	Juneau				
		<u>\$1,744</u>	2,750		\$4,494
	<u>Fairbanks</u>	<u>\$264</u>			
1 citizen	Juneau	\$528	550		
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$528	300		
1 Legislator	Fairbanks				
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$528	600		
1 Legislator	Nome	\$528	900		
1 staffer	Juneau	\$528	550		
		<u>\$2,640</u>	2,900		\$5,540
					<u>\$17,748</u>

	<u>Kotzebue</u>	<u>\$241</u> Per Diem	<u>Airfare</u>	
1 citizen	Juneau	\$482	200	
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$482	650	
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$482	750	
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$482	850	
1 Legislator	Nome	\$482	1,300	
1 staffer	Juneau	\$482	200	
		<u>\$2,892</u>	3,950	\$6,842
	<u>Nome</u>	<u>\$211</u>		
1 citizen	Juneau	\$422	1,100	
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$422	650	
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$422	900	
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$422	1,150	
1 Legislator	Nome	0	0	
1 staffer	Juneau	\$422	1,100	
		<u>\$2,110</u>	4,900	\$7,010
	<u>Dillingham</u>	<u>\$183</u>		
	<u>Bethel</u>	<u>\$203</u>		
1 citizen	Juneau	\$589	1,826	
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$589	1,336	
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$589	1,676	
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$589	1,776	
1 Legislator	Nome	\$589	1,536	
1 staffer	Juneau	\$589	1,826	
		<u>\$3,534</u>	9,976	\$13,510
				<u>\$27,362</u>

Total Travel \$45,110

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**STATE OF ALASKA
2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**



Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: SR7
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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Legislature
 Title: "Creating and relating to the Senate VPSO Task." RDU: Legislative Council
 Component: Council and Subcommittees
 Sponsor: Senator Olson Component No.: 783
 Requester: Senator Olson

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Travel	35.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Contractual	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Land & Structures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grants & Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	36.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	36.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type—Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	36.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2007) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Part-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Temporary	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
 SR7 creates the Senate VPSO Task Force. The Task Force will consist of three Senators, two public members, and the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee. The Chair of the Task Force will be a Senator. The Task Force will review the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program and deliver a report to the Senate by February 15, 2008 containing their recommendations and findings. For the purposes of the fiscal note, it is assumed an existing employee of the Chair of the Task Force will staff the Task Force. Travel funding for Senators and public members for 6 meetings of the Task Force is included in this fiscal note. Travel costs for Executive Branch members will be paid for by Executive Branch Departments. A small contractual budget is included in this fiscal note for minimal phone expenses and postage to mail the report to interested parties. The Legislative Affairs Agency will absorb the costs for printing the report and teleconferencing the meetings.

Prepared by: Karla Schofield, Deputy Director Phone 465-6626
 Division: Legislative Affairs Agency Date/Time 4/23/07 11:38 AM
 Approved by: Pamela Vami, Executive Director Date 4/23/2007
 Agency: Legislative Affairs Agency

SR7

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1 staffer	Juneau				
		<u>\$1,744</u>	<u>2,750</u>	<u>\$4,494</u>	
		<u>Fairbanks</u>			
		<u>\$264</u>			
1 citizen	Juneau	\$528	550		
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$528	300		
1 Legislator	Fairbanks				
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$528	600		
1 Legislator	Nome	\$528	900		
1 staffer	Juneau	\$528	550		
		<u>\$2,640</u>	<u>2,900</u>	<u>\$5,540</u>	
				<u>\$14,964</u>	

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1 citizen	Juneau	\$334	200		
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$334	650		
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$334	750		
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$334	850		
1 Legislator	Nome	\$334	1,300		
1 staffer	Juneau	\$334	200		
		<u>\$2,004</u>	<u>3,950</u>	<u>\$5,954</u>	
		<u>Nome</u>			
		<u>\$211</u>			
1 citizen	Juneau	\$422	1,100		
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$422	650		
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$422	900		
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$422	1,150		
1 Legislator	Nome	0	0		
1 staffer	Juneau	\$422	1,100		
		<u>\$2,110</u>	<u>4,900</u>	<u>\$7,010</u>	
		<u>Bethel</u>			
		<u>\$203</u>			
1 citizen	Juneau	\$406	1,050		
1 citizen	Anchorage	\$406	560		
1 Legislator	Fairbanks	\$406	900		
1 Legislator	Kodiak	\$406	1,000		
1 Legislator	Nome	\$406	706		
1 staffer	Juneau	\$406	1,050		
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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR OLSON

Introduced:
Referred:

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating and relating to the Senate VPSO Task Force.

2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

3 WHEREAS many rural areas of the state, including rural areas located on the road
4 system, depend on village public safety officers for police protection and law enforcement;
5 and

6 WHEREAS nonprofit regional corporations, coordinating with the state, administer
7 village public safety officer programs; and

8 WHEREAS it is in the interest of the entire state to ensure that rural areas are
9 provided with adequate law enforcement services;

10 BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate VPSO Task Force is established in the legislative
11 branch by the senate, consisting of the commissioner of public safety or the commissioner's
12 designee, three senators, and two public members appointed by the president of the senate,
13 who shall also designate one of the senate members to serve as chair; and be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED that the public members of the task force may receive per
15 diem and travel expenses authorized for boards and commissions under AS 39.20.180, subject
16 to available funding and approval by the task force chair; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall

(1) consider the role of the village public safety officer program and ways in which the program can be improved to better serve rural areas of the state, including areas located on roads;

(2) identify any problems with the village public safety officer program and ways those problems might be addressed;

(3) review statutes and regulations that deal with the village public safety officer program and consider whether statutory changes are necessary or desirable;

(4) prepare and deliver to the senate, by February 15, 2008, a report of the findings and recommendations of the task force; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that, subject to available funding, the chair of the task force may hire staff and that the Legislative Affairs Agency shall provide administrative support to the task force as needed; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate VPSO Task Force is terminated on February 15, 2008.

A **COPY** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Walt Monegan, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety.

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AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE
TO: SR 7

BY _____

- 1 Page 1, line 12:
- 2 Following "designee,"
- 3 Insert "the attorney general or the attorney general's designee,"
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- 5 Page 2, line 16:
- 6 Delete "A COPY"
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- 9 Page 2, line 17:
- 10 Following "Public Safety":
- 11 Insert ", and the Honorable Talis J. Colberg, Attorney General, Department of
- 12 Law"

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2006 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1
 Bill Version: SR 6
 (S) Publish Date: 4/27/06

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: SR 6
 Title Creating and relating to the Senate BRU Legislative Council
VPSO Task Force Component: Council and Subcommittees
 Sponsor Senate Judiciary Committee
 Requestor Senator Seekins Component No. 783

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
Personal Services	34.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Travel	36.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Contractual	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Land & Structures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grants & Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	70.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	70.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	70.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2006) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2007 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time	1					
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

SR 6 creates a six member Senate VPSO Task Force, consisting of three senators and three public members appointed by the President of the Senate. The Task Force will be chaired by a member of the Senate.

The Task Force will consider the role of the village public safety officer program and ways in which the program can be improved to better serve rural areas of the state, including areas located on roads; identify problems with the village public safety officer program and ways those problems might be addressed; and prepare and deliver to the Senate, by January 15, 2007, a report of the findings and recommendations of the Task Force. The Task Force will hold meetings and conduct site visits and hire part time staff for 7 months to assist the Task Force. The Legislative Affairs Agency will absorb the cost of printing the report and the cost to teleconference meetings of the Task Force.

Prepared by: Karla Schofield, Deputy Director Phone 465-6626
 Division Legislative Affairs Agency Date/Time 4/24/06 8:54 AM
 Approved by: Pamela Varni, Executive Director Date 4/24/2006
 Agency Legislative Affairs Agency

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September 7, 2007

To Distribution List:

This is to revise the Senate VPSO Task Force public meetings schedule in order to add teleconferencing at some of the locations; and to change the due date for any written testimony that is submitted. If this symbol "+" is shown below, then that meeting will be teleconferenced. Otherwise, the schedule is the same as previously distributed.

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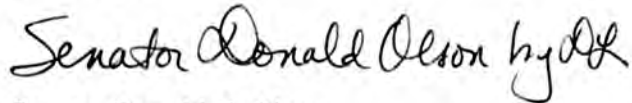
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If you have any questions, please contact my staff, Denise Liccioli, at 465-3707.

Sincerely,



Senator Donald C. Olson

CC: Senator Lyda Green
Senate Secretary
Jeff Turner, Majority Press Office
Christopher Clark, Acting Legislative Liaison, Office of the Governor

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Denise Liccioli

From: Denise Liccioli
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2007 3:43 PM
To: Loretta Bullard; Myron P. Naneng; Sen. Donny Olson; Sen. Hollis French; Sen. Fred Dyson ; Walt Monegan; Talis J Colberg
Cc: Alvin Jimmie ; Cindy Smith ; Allison Biastock ; Cathy Hoffman; Gina Appolloni ; Lucky Shultz; Lauren Rice; Svobodny, Richard (LAW); Glick, John; Valent Maxwell
Subject: Non-public meetings

Good afternoon everyone,

Yesterday I sent out the memo regarding the public meetings so I thought I should remind everyone that in addition to those public meetings, we will meet with the VPSOs in Kodiak on 11/5 and also meet in Anchorage on 11/19 and 11/20 to wrap everything up and generate the recommendations and report.

I also wanted to share some travel information since I will be making the arrangements for Senator Olson, Loretta Bullard and Myron Naneng; but the rest of you will have your staff make the arrangements. From the rest of this email, this is really information intended to be helpful for those who will be making the travel arrangements for you.

Nome - intend to fly into Nome out of Anchorage on flight 152 at 9:26 AM on 9/25; returning to Anchorage from Nome on flight 153 at 10:09 PM on 9/26. Staying at the Aurora Inn, 800-354-4606, on 9/25. I believe we will need to taxi to and from airport and hotel, and the charter. We will charter to Savoonga and Gambell on Hageland. As I understand it, the meeting places in both locations are a short walk from where we will land when we come in on the charter.

Bethel - intend to fly into Bethel out of Anchorage on flight 43 at 12:00 PM on 10/4; returning to Anchorage from Bethel on flight 46 at 8:36 PM on 10/5. Staying at Bentley's Porter House Bed & Breakfast, 543-3552, on 10/4. I believe we will need to taxi to and from airport and hotel, and the charter. We will charter to Emmonak and Mountain Village on Grant Air. I am still working on how we will get from the charter to the meeting place in Emmonak; but in Mountain Village, they will send a shuttle and it will cost \$5 per person (each way, I assume).

Kodiak - You could fly in the day before and stay the night, or you could fly into Kodiak in the morning. If you fly in to Kodiak in the morning, the flight leaves Anchorage at 6 AM and it is not a jet. I have made reservations for those for whom I am responsible to come in the night before on 11/4 and stay at the Kodiak Inn, 800-563-4254, since that is where the public meeting will be in the morning. We will be done in time to make the afternoon jet out of Kodiak on 11/5, flight #33 leaves at 4:58 pm. The Kodiak Inn provides a courtesy shuttle from the airport to the hotel.

The meeting with the VPSOs is being coordinated with Val Maxwell. He is going to arrange transportation for all of us from the Kodiak Inn to the Coast Guard Facility where the training will be held. We will probably want to have lunch before the training, but again, Val is still working out the details and we may be able to lunch at the training. (I'll let you know the details later when they have been finalized and it is closer.) He will also arrange shuttles to take all of us to the airport.

Anchorage - those coming from out of town will fly in the night before on 11/18 so that we can meet essentially all day Monday and Tuesday if needed, leaving Anchorage after work on Tuesday 11/20. Our meeting place is at the LIO, room 220, for 11/19 and 11/20. I'm assuming that two days will be enough, but please speak up if anyone thinks it will take longer; if it takes less, no harm done.

Let me know if you have any other questions and I hope this is helpful information for the travel arrangers!

~Denise
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August 9, 2007

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If you have any questions, please contact my staff, Denise Liccioli, at 465-3707.

Sincerely,


Senator Donald C. Olson

Attachment: "VPSO Task Force Meeting Agenda"

CC: Senator Lyda Green
Senate Secretary
Jeff Turner, Majority Press Office
Christopher Clark, Acting Legislative Liaison, Office of the Governor

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VPSO Task Force

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Denise Liccioli

From: Denise Liccioli
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 3:24 PM
To: 'Rice, Lauren (DPS)'; Glick, John; Walt Monegan
Subject: Tentative agenda for VPSO Task Force public meetings

Greetings,

I am still working on the letter and agenda, but thought I should share the draft agenda. It's pretty short since the purpose of the meetings is to seek public comment, but I did want to convey the message of seeking solutions. In addition to Senator Olson giving opening remarks, I also thought Commissioner Monegan may want to say something, and possibly explain his new tiered approach to law enforcement officers. Please let me know if this looks ok, and what changes would make it better; or whatever else the Commissioner would like to say. I'm hoping to get the memo and agenda out tomorrow since if I miss tomorrow, it won't go out for another week due to me being out of the office. Thank you!

~Denise

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SPONSOR STATEMENT

SR 7

"A Resolution creating and relating to the Senate VPSO Task Force"

SR 7 establishes a task force to find ways to strengthen and improve public safety in rural Alaska by identifying problems with the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program and ways those problems might be addressed.

Many rural areas of the state, including those located on the road system, depend on VPSOs for protection and public safety. However, residents of rural Alaska, the public in general, and the Department responsible for the VPSO program all agree there are problems with the program as it now exists. Recruiting and retention of VPSOs; as well as other problem areas with the program, prevent rural Alaskans from having adequate public protection as they deserve.

It is time to look for ways to better protect the safety of the residents of rural Alaska. The Senate, the Commissioner of Public Safety, and the Attorney General are willing to work together, and include the public, to generate ideas for needed changes to the VPSO program.

This task force will look at the role of the VPSO program and ways in which the program can be improved to better serve rural areas of the state, including areas located on roads.

Members of the task force will meet over the interim in various areas of the state. A report of findings and recommendations will be prepared and delivered to the Senate by February 15, 2008, at which time the task force will terminate.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: SR7
 () Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Legislature
 Title "Creating and relating to the Senate VPSO Task.." RDU Legislative Council
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 Requester Senator Olson Component No. 783

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Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

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Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Land & Structures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grants & Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	45.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

SR7 creates the Senate VPSO Task Force. The Task Force will consist of three Senators, two public members, and the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee. The Chair of the Task Force will be a Senator. The Task Force will review the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program and deliver a report to the Senate by February 15, 2008 containing their recommendations and findings. For the purposes of the fiscal note, it is assumed an existing employee of the Chair of the Task Force will staff the Task Force. Travel funding for Senators and public members for 6 meetings of the Task Force is included in this fiscal note. Travel costs for Executive Branch members will be paid for by Executive Branch Departments. A small contractual budget is included in this fiscal note for minimal phone expenses and postage to mail the report to interested parties. The Legislative Affairs Agency will absorb the costs for printing the report and teleconferencing the meetings.

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