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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOMER, ALASKA, AMENDING HOMER CITY CODE CHAPTER 11.12, STREET AND HOUSE NUMBERING, TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR ASSIGNING STREET ADDRESSES AND NAMING AND RENAMING STREETS.

WHEREAS, Homer is a First Class city and has a plan for adopting street addresses; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department coordinates the addressing of properties in the City of Homer; and

WHEREAS, Street names and addresses shall comply with the National Emergency Number Association; and

WHEREAS, There is a need and benefit to improving the process of naming streets.

THE CITY OF HOMER HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. The name of Homer City Code Chapter 11.12, Street and House Numbering, is amended to read, “Assignment of Street Addresses and Street Naming.”

Section 2. Homer City Code 11.12.010, Street and house numbering plan adopted, is amended to read as follows:

11.12.010 Street address assignment plan adopted. A plan for assigning street addresses in the City of Homer, Alaska, dated January 8, 1975, and amended August 13, 1979, as prepared by the Homer Advisory Planning Commission is adopted. The plan is to be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk, and is subject to amendment by council resolution.

Section 3. Homer City Code 11.12.020, Assignment of numbers, is amended to read as follows:

11.12.020 Assignment of street addresses. It shall be the responsibility of the City Planner to assign street addresses to specific locations, in accordance with the plan adopted by reference in this chapter. Upon the assignment of a street address, the City Planner shall notify the owner of the property to which the address has been assigned of the address and the requirements in HCC 11.12.030 for the posting of the address on the property. The City shall keep a record of such street address assignments which may include a map.

Section 4. Homer City Code 11.12.030, Duty of property owner, is amended to read as follows:
11.12.030 Duty of property owner. It is the duty of each property owner within 60 days after notice of the assignment of a street address to the property to post the street address or addresses assigned to the property in Arabic numerals a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) high with a minimum stroke of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm) in a color contrasting with the background in such manner and location as to be plainly visible from the street.

Section 5. Homer City Code 11.12.040, Duties of subdividers--Designation of rights-of-way, is repealed.

Section 6. Homer City Code 11.12.040, Street names, is enacted to read as follows:

11.12.040 Street names. a. A street name shall comply with National Emergency Number Association ("NENA") standards
b. In addition to complying with NENA standards, a street name shall comply with the following requirements.
1. Except as provided in (3) of this subsection:
a. A street name shall not duplicate the name of any existing street in the city. For this purpose, the use of a different street type designation does not avoid duplication of an existing street name.
b. A letter or number shall not be used as a street name.
2. A newly created street or right-of-way that extends or has the same alignment as an existing named street shall have the same name as the existing named street.
3. No street name shall sound similar to an existing street name in the city.
4. No street name may include a directional designation.
5. A street name shall not exceed 17 characters, including the standard abbreviation for the street type designation.
6. The type of a street shall be designated using the following standards:
a. "Street" shall designate a right-of-way running north and south.
b. "Avenue" shall designate a right-of-way running east and west.
c. "Drive" shall designate a right-of-way running southeast to northwest, at an angle of approximately forty-five degrees to an avenue or street.
d. "Lane" shall designate a right-of-way running southwest to northeast, at an angle of approximately forty-five degrees to an avenue or street.
e. "Place" shall designate a right-of-way running north and south that does not exceed one thousand four hundred feet in length.
f. "Way" shall designate a right-of-way running east and west that does not exceed one thousand four hundred feet in length.
g. "Circle" shall designate a right-of-way running north and south that ends in a cul-de-sac and that that does not exceed one thousand four hundred feet in length.
h. "Court" shall designate a right-of-way running east and west that ends in a cul-de-sac and that that does not exceed one thousand four hundred feet in length.
i. "Road" shall designate a major curving right-of-way.
c. The City Council may allow exceptions to the standards in (b) of this section where it finds that the exception will not harm the public interest.
Section 7. Homer City Code 11.12.050, Maintenance of records, is repealed.

Section 8. Homer City Code 11.12.050, Duties of subdividers, is enacted to read as follows:

11.12.050 Duties of subdividers. A subdivider of property in the city shall name the streets in the subdivision in accordance with the standards in HCC 11.12.040.

Section 9. Homer City Code 11.12.060, Future modification to plan, is repealed.

Section 10. Homer City Code 11.12.060, Renaming streets, is enacted to read as follows:

11.12.060 Renaming streets. a. An application to rename a street shall be submitted to the City Planner on a form provided by the City. The application shall include:
1. The existing street name;
2. The proposed street name;
3. Justification for changing the street name; and
4. A map showing the location of the street.
b. The City Planner will determine if the application is complete. If not complete, the City Planner will advise the applicant what corrective actions should be taken to complete the application.
c. The City Planner shall schedule a public hearing on the application before the City Council within 45 days after determining the application is complete, and provide notice of the application as specified in HCC Chapter 21.94.
d. Within 45 days after the close of the public hearing, The City Council shall approve or disapprove the application.

Section 11. This Ordinance is of a permanent and general character and shall be included in the City Code.

ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMER, ALASKA, this 12th day of August, 2013.

CITY OF HOMER

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MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JO JOHNSON, CMC, CITY CLERK
AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

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Second Reading:
Effective Date:

Reviewed and approved as to form:

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