



# City of Homer

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### MANAGER'S REPORT

January 12, 2015

To: The Mayor and Council

From: Marvin L Yoder

Date: January 6, 2015

Thank all of you for the warm welcome I have received. The move from Palmer to Homer has gone very well.

**Governors Ball** The City has received information that there will be a Governors' Inauguration Ball in Kenai on January 30. The specifics are as follows: Old Kenai CARRS Mall, Doors Open - 5:30pm, No Host Bar - 6pm, Program/Dinner - 6:30pm, Desserts & Dancing, Semi-Formal/Formal Attire, Tickets - \$50 per person.

**Capital Matching Grant** The City of Homer scored well on their application for a State ADEC Matching Grant. The amount of the project is \$1,980,254. The City will be required to provide a 30% match.

If the CMG program is funded by the legislature, this grant will pay for two water main extensions; one on Shellfish Ave and the other on Kachemak Dr.

The Council will need to determine the funding source for the City match. In the past the city has utilized a DEC/EPA loan at 1.5% interest. This decision will be on a future agenda for Council action.

**Island and Ocean Roof Update** In his December manager report, Walt mentioned the need for funds to repair the roof on the Islands and Ocean building. Katie Koester has informed me that the USF&WS has appropriated funds to complete this project in 2015.

Katie also relayed the following message "Steve Delehanty, Refuge Manager for the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge, expressed thanks to the Homer City Council for their desire to help the facility and asked that partnership be considered in the future when they may need non-federal advocates. Steve also encouraged the City to do anything we can to keep the Kachemak Bay Research Reserve thriving and located in the Islands and Ocean Visitor Center."

**Land Leases** The City has received notice from the Coast Guard and from Petro Marine that they would like to extend their leases with the City.

Currently, we are awaiting a lease proposal from the Coast Guard. Once a proposed lease is received, the lease committee will review it. You can expect this to be an agenda item in the near future.

The Petro Marine Lease does not expire for two years. They are simply giving notice of their intent to continue leasing the property.