

Homer City Council AK CARES Act Fund Distribution Worksheet for June 22, 2020

Sector	Support Measure	Homer Legislation	Comments	Council Prioritization (1=high - 5=low)
City of Homer				
	Staffing expenses associated with Covid-19 mandates and closures and operations of Unified Command	Ordinance 20-25 Resolution 20-057	Ordinance and resolution passed June 8, 2020	funded
	Administration of SBERG	Ordinance 20-25 Resolution 20-058	Ordinance and resolution passed June 8, 2020	funded
	Public safety expenses		Need to verify that these expenses would qualify	
	Administration of additional grant programs		See below. Could include rent/mortgage and utility support and non-profit grant program	
	Other measures identified by city staff to reopen city buildings, conduct safe elections, etc.		Partial list includes: retrofitting city facilities to have a touchless/keyless entry, improving telecommunications/ internet signal particularly at the library, contracting out COOP document creation, digitizing documents to reduce paper filing, preparing for a large absentee voting process in October, hiring temporary custodial staff for increased cleaning of city facilities including public restrooms	
	Other measure for council consideration		Opportunity for council members to identify other ideas missing from the above list	
Homer Small Businesses				
	Small Business Economic Relief Grant (SBERG) program)	Ordinance 20-25 Resolution 20-058	Ordinance and resolution passed June 8, 2020	funded
	Other measure for council consideration		Opportunity for council members to identify other ideas missing from the above list	
Homer Households, Families, and Individuals				
	Mortgage/rent support		Homer Community Food Pantry provide boxes of food to individual and families in need and provides referral services to South Peninsula Haven House (and other organizations) for rent and mortgage support, immediate housing needs	

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	Utility (water/sewer, electricity, natural gas/propane/fuel oil) support		(e.g., short term hotel stays), and utility payments. The city may or may not be able to use AK CARES Act funds to have a 3rd party administer funds for these support mechanisms but the city should coordinate with these organizations for referrals.	
	Childcare facility subsidy to operate according to CDC guidelines		Childcare is a limiting factor for essential workers and most childcare businesses in Homer are currently closed because they cannot operate safely and cover expenses because fewer children are allowed in the facility when following CDC guidelines. A subsidy could help childcare facilities open their doors and operate safely.	
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Homer Non-profits				
	501(c)(3) Grant program similar to SBERG		Explore administering a Homer-based non-profit grant program for organizations impacted by Covid-19 through the city along with SBERG or through the Homer Foundation. The city may or may not be able to use AK CARES Act funds to have a 3rd party administer these funds.	
	Homer Chamber of Commerce and Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District		These organizations have stepped up to support local businesses and may have incurred additional expenses. Need to coordinate with both.	
	Alaska Municipal League		AML has incurred expenses associated with supporting municipalities during the pandemic and has requested financial support in addition to annual dues.	
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South Peninsula Hospital				

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	Covid-response expense support to our local hospital		SPH incurred numerous expenses preparing the hospital to receive Covid-19 patients and is the primary testing facility on the southern Kenai Peninsula. Recently they have expanded testing by establishing pop-up testing facilities. They have requested funding support from the borough and the city.	
Other				
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