



MEMORANDUM

Ordinance 24-31, An Ordinance of the Homer City Council Adopting the 2024 Homer Transportation Plan, Amending the Homer Comprehensive Plan to include the Transportation Plan and Recommending Adoption by the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

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Introduction

The City of Homer contracted with Kinney Engineering to update the Transportation Plan (ordinance 22-38). The new document is a major update to the 2005 Homer Area Transportation Plan and the Homer Non-Motorized Transportation and Trails Plan. This 2024 Homer Transportation Plan replaces both of those documents as part of the Homer Comprehensive Plan.

After consultation with appropriate City Departments, Commissions, Committees, and gathering extensive public input, the new plan was drafted and submitted to the Planning Commission. The Commission held a public hearing on May 1, 2024, reviewed the plan made minor edits and recommended approval.

After Council approval, the plan will be submitted to the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission and Assembly for review and adoption. The City of Homer holds zoning powers as delegated by the Kenai Peninsula Borough, but the Borough has retained area wide planning powers. Therefore, Borough approval is required as the final step in adoption.

Recommendation:

Introduce the ordinance, conduct a public hearing at the first Council meeting in August, and make a recommendation of adoption to the Kenai Peninsula Borough.