

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

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RESOLUTION 17-070

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING STANTEC TO PERFORM STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE POLICE STATION PROJECT.

WHEREAS, Council created a Public Safety Building Review Committee (PSBRC) in January 2014; and

WHEREAS, The PSBRC performed extensive work to select a site for the Public Safety Building and selected a property at the corner of the Sterling Highway and Pioneer Avenue, commonly referred to as the HERC site, because it met the PSBRC's selection criteria (e.g., lot size, property ownership, and above the tsunami zone); and

WHEREAS, The proposed new fire department was separated from the public safety building project when it became apparent the cost was too steep to simultaneously build a new police and fire station; and

WHEREAS, Council supported a bonding request to construct a reduced size public safety campus with police station only to the voters at the general election in October 2016 in an amount not to exceed twelve million dollars; and

WHEREAS, Proposition #1 that would allow the City of Homer to incur debt and issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000) to finance the planning, design, and construction of a police station and related capital improvements was defeated by the voters at the October 4, 2016 regular election by 71 voter, or 48/52; and

WHEREAS, Council created the Police Station Building Task Force in February of 2017 to provide guidance on how to move forward on the police station including site selection, budget, operations and maintenance, and public private partnerships; and

WHEREAS, The Police Station Building Task Force presented recommendations to Council via Memorandum 17-082 on May 30, 2017; and

39 WHEREAS, The Police Station Building Task Force recommendations included selecting
40 a site at the corner of Heath Street and Grubstake Avenue (north of the post office) and six
41 million and nine million dollar options; and
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43 WHEREAS, The Council discussed the recommendations at length at the May 30 and
44 June 12 meetings and concluded that additional public input was needed to make an informed
45 decision on the cost, site, and a funding mechanism for the capital and maintenance costs of
46 a new police station; and
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48 WHEREAS, Stantec is a member of the General Contractor /Construction Manager team
49 selected by the City Council in March of 2014 to complete the design and public involvement
50 for the public safety building; and
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52 WHEREAS, Stantec is an international company with a local Anchorage office, 2 years
53 of experience working on this project and a staff that specializes in stakeholder engagement.
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55 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska authorizes
56 Stantec to work on a stakeholder engagement plan that includes outreach, public education,
57 and a statistically significant survey of the voting public for approval by City Council at the July
58 24 meeting.
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60 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council on this 26th day of June, 2017.
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66 BRYAN ZAK, MAYOR
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72 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK
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74 Fiscal Note: \$13,000 - \$25,000 from Police Station Building Fund, Account balance \$88,000