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4	ORDINANCE 18-04		
5 6	AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA		
7	AMENDING HOMER CITY CODE 21.03.040 TO DEFINE "EMPLOYEE-		
8	OCCUPIED RECREATIONAL VEHICLES" AND AMENDING HCC		
9	CHAPTER 21.54 TO ADD HCC 21.54.325, PERMITTING EMPLOYEE-		
10	OCCUPIED RECREATIONAL VEHICLES IN THE MARINE		
11	COMMERCIAL AND MARINE INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICTS AND		
12	AMENDING HCC 21.54.200 AND 21.54.210 TO REFLECT THE NEWLY		
13	PERMITTED USE IN THESE DISTRICTS.		
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15	WHEREAS, there are many commercial and industrial entities which have ex	pressed	
16	interest in locating recreational vehicles on their work premises for the purpose of housing		
17	employees; and		
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19	WHEREAS, it is in the City's best interest to support employer-provided housing		
20	as that housing does not place the City of Homer, its residents, and/or its citizens at ri	sk; and	
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22	WHEREAS, permitting employee-occupied recreational vehicles in the marine in		
23	and commercial zoning districts falls within the purpose of those zoning districts and promotes		
24	the City's best interest,		
25	NOW THEREFORE The City of the constitution		
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30	affended to read as follows.		
31	21.03.040 Definitions used in zoning code.		
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33	As used in this title, the words and phrases defined in this section shall h	ave the	
34	meaning stated, except where (a) the context clearly indicates a different meaning or		
35	(b) a special definition is given for particular chapters or sections of the zoning code.		
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37	"Abut" means to touch by sharing a common boundary at one or more poin	nts. Two	
38	adjacent lots separated by a road right-of-way do not abut.		
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40	"Accessory building" means an incidental and subordinate building cus	tomarily	
41	incidental to and located on the same lot occupied by the principal use or buildi		
42	as a detached garage incidental to a residential building.		

43 "Accessory use" means a use or activity that is customary to the principal use on the 44 same lot, and which is subordinate and clearly incidental to the principal use. 45 46 "ADT" or "average daily traffic" means the estimated number of vehicles traveling over 47 a given road segment during one 24-hour day. ADT is usually obtained by sampling and 48 may be seasonally adjusted. 49 50 "Adverse impact" means a condition that creates, imposes, aggravates or leads to 51 inadequate, impractical, detrimental, unsafe, or unhealthy conditions on a site 52 proposed for development or on off-site property or facilities. 53 54 Aggrieved. See "person aggrieved." 55 56 "Agricultural activity" shall mean farming, including plowing, tillage, fertilizing, 57 cropping, irrigating, seeding, cultivating or harvesting for the production of food and 58 fiber products (excluding commercial logging and timber harvesting operations); the 59 grazing or raising of livestock (excluding feedlots); aquaculture; sod production; orchards; Christmas tree plantations; nurseries; and the cultivation of products as part 60 61 of a recognized commercial enterprise. "Agricultural activity" excludes private stables 62 and public stables. 63 64 "Agricultural building" means a building used to shelter farm implements, hay, grain, 65 poultry, livestock, horticulture, or other farm products, in which there is no human 66 habitation and which is not used by the public. 67 68 "Aisle" means an area within a parking lot that is reserved exclusively for ingress, egress 69 and maneuvering of automobiles. 70 71 "Alley" means a public thoroughfare, less than 30 feet in width, that affords only a 72 secondary means of access to abutting property. 73 74 "Alteration" means any change, addition or modification in construction, occupancy or 75 use. 76 77 "Animal unit equivalent" is a convenient denominator for use in calculating relative 78 grazing impact of different kinds and classes of domestic livestock. An animal unit (AU) 79 is generally one mature cow of approximately 1,000 pounds and a calf as old as six 80 months of age, or their equivalent. Animal unit equivalents vary according to kind and 81 size of animals. 82 83 The following table of AU equivalents applies to the Homer Zoning Code.

Kinds and classes of animals equivalent	Animal-unit	
Slaughter/feed cattle	1.00	
Mature dairy cattle	1.40	
Young dairy cattle	0.60	
Horse, mature	2.00	
Sheep, mature	0.20	
Lamb, one year of age	0.15	
Goat, mature	0.15	
Kid, one year of age		
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0.10Exotic species (e.g., llamas, alpaca, reindeer, musk ox, bison and elk) and unlisted species require application to the Planning Commission for determination of AU equivalents.

Apartment House. See "dwelling, multiple-family."

"Area, building" means the total area, taken on a horizontal plane at the main grade level, of a building, exclusive of steps.

"Area, floor" means the total area of all floors of a building as measured to the outside surfaces of exterior walls, including attached garages, porches, balconies, and other structures when covered by a roof.

"Area, footprint" has the same meaning as "area, building."

"Area, lot" means the total horizontal net area within the boundary lines of a lot, exclusive of rights-of-way for streets and alleys.

"Area ratio, floor" or "floor area ratio" means the ratio of floor area of all buildings on a lot to the area of the lot.

"Arterial" means a street whose principal function is the transmission of vehicular through-traffic, that performs a major role in serving the transportation needs of the community, and that is identified as a "major arterial" or "community arterial" in the Homer Roads and Streets Master Plan.

"Assisted living home" has the meaning given in AS 47.32.900.

"Auto and trailer sales or rental area" means an automobile related use that may consist of any combination of the following:

116 1. An open, outdoor display area for automobiles, light trucks or trailers for rent, lease 117 or sale; 118 119 2. Buildings for the indoor display and sale or leasing of automobiles, light trucks or 120 trailers, and sale of parts and accessories customarily incidental to the sale of such 121 vehicles; and 122 123 3. Buildings at the location of a motor vehicle dealership used for auto repairs 124 customarily incidental to the operation of a dealership. 125 126 "Auto fueling station" means any premises used to sell motor fuels and lubrication to 127 motor vehicles. An auto fueling station may include the sale of minor accessories. Auto 128 fueling station does not include auto repair. 129 130 "Auto repair" means service and repair of motor vehicles, trailers and similar mechanical equipment, including painting, upholstering, rebuilding, reconditioning, 131 132 body and fender work, frame straightening, undercoating, engine or transmission 133 rebuilding or replacement, tire retreading or recapping, and the like. It also includes 134 minor service work to automobiles or light trucks including tune up, lubrication, alignment, fuel system, brakes, mufflers, and replacement of small items. 135 136 137 "Basement" means any floor level partly or wholly underground, except when such 138 floor level meets the definition of "story." 139 140 "BCWP district" means the "Bridge Creek Watershed Protection District" described in 141 Chapter 21.40 HCC. 142 "Bed and breakfast" means a dwelling in which an individual or family resides and rents 143 144 bedrooms in the dwelling to overnight guests, if the bed and breakfast use is accessory 145 to the principal use of the dwelling as the primary residence of the operator. If the 146 dwelling has six or more bedrooms available for rental to overnight guests it is a hotel 147 and not a bed and breakfast. 148 149 "Bluff" means an abrupt elevation change in topography of at least 15 feet, with an 150 average slope of not less than 200 percent (two feet difference in elevation per one foot 151 of horizontal distance). 152 153 "Boat storage yard" means a lot used for the indoor or outdoor commercial dry storage 154 of boats. 155 156 "Bridge Creek Watershed" means the watershed contributing to the City's reservoir at 157 Bridge Creek.

158 "Buffer" means an open space, landscaped area, fence, wall, berm, or any combination 159 thereof used to physically separate or screen one use or property from another so as to 160 shield or block visibility, noise, lights, or other undesirable effects.

"Buffer, runoff" means an area of natural or planted vegetation through which stormwater runoff flows in a diffuse manner so that the runoff does not become channelized and that provides for infiltration of the runoff and filtering of silt and pollutants. The buffer is measured landward from the normal full water elevation of impounded structures and from the top of the bank of each side of a stream, river, ditch, or other channel.

"Buffer, stream" means a runoff buffer of a designated distance on each side of a channel measured perpendicularly from the top of the bank of each side of a stream, river, ditch, or other channel.

"Building" means any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy.

"Building construction" means the placing of construction materials in a permanent position and fastened in a permanent manner in the course of constructing or erecting a building.

"Building height" is the vertical distance from grade to the maximum point of measurement of the building, measured according to HCC 21.05.030.

"Building, main" means the building of chief importance or function on the lot.

"Business, open air" or "open air business" means the retail sale or display of merchandise or services, including but not limited to farmers' markets and flea markets, conducted outdoors or under a canopy for protection from the elements and held on a regular or periodic basis. Open air business does not include (1) outdoor display or sales of goods or services by a retail or wholesale business that is principally located in a building, or (2) sales, services or rentals of any kind of boat or motorized vehicle.

"Business, retail" means a place of business principally engaged in selling goods, substances or commodities in small quantities to the ultimate consumer, and may include rendering services incidental to the sale of such goods, substances or commodities. The term "retail business" does not include, as either a principal or accessory use, automobile oriented uses, the sale, rental, storage, service, or repair of any motor vehicles, or any use separately defined or listed in any zoning district.

199 "Business, wholesale" or "wholesale" means a place of business principally engaged in 200 selling or distributing goods, substances or commodities in quantity to retailers or to industrial, commercial or institutional users mainly for resale or business use. 201 202 "Campground" means a parcel of land where two or more campsites are located that provides facilities for temporary recreational living in any manner other than a 203 204 permanent building. 205 206 "Cemetery" means land used or intended to be used for burial of the dead and 207 dedicated for cemetery purposes, including columbaria and mausoleums when 208 operated in conjunction with and within the boundary of such cemetery. 209 210 "Channel protection storage volume" or "Cpv" means the volume used to design 211 structural management practices to control stream channel erosion. 212 Church. See "religious, cultural, and fraternal assembly." 213 214 "City Engineer" means an engineer within the Homer Department of Public Works 215 designated by the Director of Public Works. 216 217 "Clearing" means the removal of trees and brush from the land, but shall not include 218 the ordinary pruning of trees or shrubs or mowing of grass. 219 220 "Clinic" means a professional office with facilities for providing outpatient medical, 221 dental or psychiatric services, which may include as incidental to the principal use a 222 dispensary to handle medication and other merchandise prescribed by occupants in 223 the course of their professional practices. 224 225 "Coalescing plate separators" or "CPS" are oil/water separators that employ a series of 226 oil-attracting plates. Oil droplets collect and float to the surface, where they can be 227 skimmed off or removed mechanically and separators may be installed above or below 228 ground. 229 230 "Coastal bluff" means a bluff whose toe is within 300 feet of the mean high water line 231 of Kachemak Bay. 232 233 "Cold storage" means a building equipped with refrigeration or freezing facilities that 234 provides cold or frozen storage or freezing services. 235 236 "Collocation" means the placement or installation of wireless communications 237 equipment on an existing wireless communications support structure or in an existing 238 equipment compound.

240 241 242 square feet in combined area. 243 244 245 246 247 time. 248 Comprehensive Plan. See HCC 21.02.010. 249 250 251 252 253 254 accommodations or for permanent mobile home living. 255 256 257 258 date of such personal delivery. 259 260 261 262 263 264 265 266 267

"Commercial vehicle" means any motor vehicle defined in AS 28.90.990 as a commercial motor vehicle or any motor vehicle with signs or logos exceeding nine

"Commission" means the Homer Advisory Planning Commission.

"Community Design Manual" means the Community Design Manual for the City of Homer, adopted by City Council Resolution 04-34, as may be amended from time to

"Construction camp" means one or more buildings, trailers, mobile homes or similar structures used to house workers or employees for logging, mining, off-shore and onshore construction, development and other projects, installed primarily for the duration of the project or operation and not open for use by the general public as

"Date of distribution" means the date on which a City official mails a written decision or order issued under the zoning code or, if the document is personally delivered, the

"Day care facility" means any establishment for the care of children, whether or not for compensation, excluding day care homes and schools. Such day care facility must also be duly licensed by the State, if so required by State law or regulation.

"Day care home" means the principal dwelling unit of one or more persons who regularly provide(s) care, in the dwelling unit, whether or not for compensation, during any part of the 24-hour day, to eight or less children at any one time, not including adult members of the family residing in the dwelling. The term "day care home" is not intended to include baby-sitting services of a casual, nonrecurring nature, child care provided in the child's own home, or cooperative, reciprocating child care by a group of parents in their respective dwellings.

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"Department" or "Planning Department" means the department or division of the City of Homer under the direction of the City Planner, whose functions and powers include the administration and enforcement of the zoning code as described in Chapter 21.90 HCC.

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"Design year" means the year that is 10 years after the opening date of development.

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"Detention, extended" means a stormwater design feature that provides gradual release of a volume of water in order to increase settling of pollutants and protect downstream channels from frequent storm events.

283 "Detention structure" means a permanent structure for the temporary storage of water runoff that is designed so as not to create a permanent pool of water. 284 285 286 "Develop" or "development activity" means to construct or alter a structure or to make 287 a physical change to the land, including but not limited to excavations, grading, fills, 288 road construction, and installation of utilities. 289 290 "Development" means all manmade changes or improvements on a site, including 291 buildings, other structures, parking and loading areas, landscaping, paved or graveled 292 areas, and areas devoted to exterior display, storage, or activities. Development 293 includes improved open areas such as public spaces, plazas and walkways, but does 294 not include natural geologic forms or unimproved land. See also "project." 295 296 "Development activity plan" or "DAP" means a plan, prepared according to standards 297 set forth in this title, that provides for the control of stormwater discharges, the control 298 of total suspended solids, and the control of other pollutants carried in runoff during 299 construction and the use of the development. 300 301 "Development, new" means development on a site that was previously unimproved or 302 that has had previously existing buildings demolished. 303 304 "Direct discharge" means the concentrated release of stormwater to tidal waters or 305 vegetated tidal wetlands from new development or redevelopment projects in critical 306 habitat areas. 307 308 "Dividers" means areas of landscaping that separate from each other structures or 309 improvements, including parking lots or buildings. 310 311 "Dog lot" means any outdoor area where more than six dogs over the age of five months 312 are kept. 313 314 "Dormitory" means a building or portion of a building that provides one or more rooms 315 used for residential living purposes by a number of individuals that are rented or hired out for more than nominal consideration on a greater than weekly or pre-arranged 316 317 basis. A building or structure that provides such rooms on less than a weekly basis shall 318 be classified as a "hotel" or "motel," "rooming house," or other more suitable 319 classification. "Dormitory" excludes hotel, motel, shelter for the homeless and bed and 320 breakfast. 321 322 "Drainage area" means that area contributing water runoff to a single point measured 323 in a horizontal plane, which is enclosed by a ridge line.

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325 "Dredging/filling" means an activity that involves excavating along the bottom of a 326 water body for the purpose of channeling, creating a harbor, mineral extraction, etc., 327 and the subsequent deposition of the dredge material to build up or expand an existing 328 land mass or to create a new one. 329 330 "Drip line" means the outermost edge of foliage on trees, shrubs, or hedges projected 331 to the ground. 332 333 "Drive-in car wash" means automated or manual car wash facilities and equipment 334 used for retail car wash services enclosed within a building, which may include 335 accessory vacuum cleaning and other equipment for car interior detailing outside of a 336 building. 337 "Driveway" means the aisle area within a parking lot which abuts designated parking 338 339 spaces and which is reserved exclusively for ingress, egress and maneuvering of 340 automobiles in and out of those spaces. 341 342 "Dwelling" or "dwelling unit" means any building or portion thereof designed or 343 arranged for residential occupancy by not more than one family and includes facilities 344 for sleeping, cooking and sanitation. 345 346 "Dwelling, duplex" means a building designed or arranged for residential occupancy by 347 two families living independently, the structure having only two dwelling units. 348 349 "Dwelling, factory built" means a structure containing one or more dwelling units that 350 is built off-site, other than a manufactured home, and: (1) is designed only for erection 351 or installation on a site-built permanent foundation; (2) is not designed to be moved 352 once so erected or installed; and (3) is designed and manufactured to comply with a 353 nationally recognized model building code or an equivalent local code, or with a State 354 or local modular building code recognized as generally equivalent to building codes for 355 site-built housing. 356 357 "Dwelling, multiple-family" means a building or a portion thereof designed for residential occupancy by three or more families living independently in separate 358 359 dwelling units. 360 361 "Dwelling, single-family" means a detached dwelling unit designed for residential . 362 occupancy by one family. 363 364 "Easement" means a grant or reservation by the owner of an interest in land for the use 365 of such land for a specific purpose or purposes, and which must be conveyed or

reserved by an instrument affecting the land.

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Educational Institution. See "school." 368 369 370 "Employee-occupied recreational vehicle" means a recreational vehicle utilized by an 371 employee or employer for housing. 372 373 "Entertainment establishment" means a public or private institution or place of 374 business providing live or pre-recorded shows or performances for entertainment. 375 "Equipment compound" means the area occupied by a wireless communications 376 support structure and within which wireless communications equipment is located. 377 378 "Extractive enterprises" means uses and activities that involve the removal of ores. 379 liquids, gases, minerals, or other materials or substances from the earth's surface or 380 subsurface. 381 "Extreme flood volume" or "Qf" means the storage volume required to control those 382 383 infrequent but large storm events in which overbank flows reach or exceed the 384 boundaries of the 100-year floodplain. 385 386 "Family" means an individual or two or more persons related by blood, marriage or 387 adoption, or a group not to exceed six unrelated persons living together as a single 388 housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit. 389 390 "Farmers' market" means a location where the primary activity is the sale of goods: 391 1. Grown upon the land that the seller controls, in the case of fruits, nuts, vegetables, 392 other plant products, or other processed agricultural products; 393 2. Bred, raised, cultivated or collected by the seller, in the case of animal, poultry, 394 viticulture, vermiculture, aquaculture, eggs, honey and bee products; 395 3. Cooked, canned, preserved, or otherwise significantly treated by the seller, in the 396 case of prepared foods; or 397 4. Created, sewn, constructed, or otherwise fashioned from component materials by 398 the seller. 399 400 Fence Height. See HCC 21.05.030(d). 401 402 "Financial institution" means banks, credit unions, saving and loan companies, 403 stockbrokers, and similar businesses. 404 405 "Flow attenuation" means prolonging the flow time of runoff to reduce the peak 406 discharge. 407 408 "Garage, parking" means any building (including an underground structure), except 409 one described as a private garage, used principally for the parking or storage of motor

411 "Garage, private" means a building, or a portion of a building, in which motor vehicles 412 413 used only by the occupants of the building(s) located on the premises are stored or 414 kept. 415 Garage, Public. See "auto repair." 416 417 "Gardening, personal use" means gardening for personal purposes as an accessory use 418 to the primary residential use of a lot. 419 "Glare" means direct light emitted by a luminaire that causes reduced visibility of 420 421 objects or momentary blindness. 422 "Grade" in reference to adjacent ground elevation means the lowest point of elevation of the existing surface of the ground within the area between the structure and a line 423 424 five feet from the structure. 425 "Grading" means any act by which soil is cleared, stripped, stockpiled, excavated, 426 427 scarified, or filled, or any combination thereof. 428 429 "Group care home" means a residential facility that provides training, care, supervision, 430 treatment or rehabilitation to the aged, disabled, infirm, those convicted of crimes or 431 those suffering the effects of drugs or alcohol. The term "group care home" does not 432 include day care homes, day care facilities, foster homes, schools, hospitals, assisted 433 living homes, nursing facilities, jails or prisons. 434 435 "Guest room" means a single unit for the accommodation of guests without kitchen or 436 cooking facilities in a bed and breakfast, rooming house, hotel or motel. 437 438 "Guesthouse" means an accessory building without kitchen or cooking facilities and 439 occupied solely by nonpaying guests or by persons employed on the premises. 440 441 "Helipad" means any surface where a helicopter takes off or lands, but excludes 442 permanent facilities for loading or unloading goods or passengers, or for fueling, 443 servicing or storing helicopters. 444 445 "Heliports" means any place including airports, fields, rooftops, etc., where helicopters 446 regularly land and take off, and where helicopters may be serviced or stored. 447 Highway. See "street" and "State highway." 448 449 "Home occupation" means any use customarily conducted entirely within a dwelling or 450 a building accessory to a dwelling, and carried on by the dwelling occupants, that is 451 clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the dwelling for dwelling purposes and 452

does not change the character thereof, and includes no display of stock in trade, no

outside storage of materials or equipment and no commodity sold upon the premises.

"Home occupation" does not include bed and breakfast.

"Hospital" has the meaning given in AS 47.32.900.

"Hostel" means any building or portion of a building containing dormitory-style sleeping accommodations for not more than 15 guests that are used, rented or hired out on a daily or longer basis.

"Hotel" or "motel" means any building or group of buildings containing six or more guest rooms that are used, rented or hired out to be occupied for sleeping purposes by guests. "Hotel" or "motel" also means any building or group of buildings containing five or less guest rooms that are used, rented or hired out to be occupied for sleeping purposes by more than 15 guests. The terms "hotel" and "motel" exclude bed and breakfast, rooming house, dormitory, shelter for the homeless, and hostel.

"Impervious coverage" means an area of ground that, by reason of its physical characteristics or the characteristics of materials covering it, does not absorb rain or surface water. All parking areas, driveways, roads, sidewalks and walkways, whether paved or not, and any areas covered by buildings or structures, concrete, asphalt, brick, stone, wood, ceramic tile or metal shall be considered to be or have impervious coverage.

"Impound yard" means a lot, establishment, area, facility or place of business used for the temporary custody of abandoned or junk vehicles, as defined in HCC 18.20.010, or other abandoned or illegally stored personal property pending determination of possessory or proprietary rights therein. If impounded property is held in custody longer than six months, it shall be classified as a junk yard and not an impound yard.

"Independent business" means a business establishment that operates independently of other business establishments. If retail and wholesale business establishments have common management or common controlling ownership interests, they are not operated independently of one another.

"Infiltration" means the passage or movement of water into the soil surface.

"Islands," when used to describe landscaped areas within parking lots, means compact areas of landscaping within parking lots designed to support mature trees and plants.

"Itinerant merchant" means a "transient or itinerant merchant" as defined in HCC 8.08.010.

"Joint use parking area" means a parking lot that contains required off-street parking
spaces for more than one lot.

"Junk" means any worn out, wrecked, scrapped, partially or fully dismantled, discarded, or damaged goods or tangible materials. Junk includes, without limitation, motor vehicles that are inoperable or not currently registered for operation under the laws of the State and machinery, equipment, boats, airplanes, metal, rags, rubber, paper, plastics, chemicals, and building materials that cannot, without further alteration or reconditioning, be used for their original purpose.

"Junkyard" means any lot, or portion of a lot, that is used for the purpose of outdoor collection, storage, handling, sorting, processing, dismantling, wrecking, keeping, salvage or sale of junk.

"Kennel" means any land and any buildings thereon where three or more dogs, cats, or other animals at least four months of age are kept for boarding, propagation or sale. If a use meets the definitions of both dog lot and kennel, it shall be classified as a dog lot.

"Kitchen" means any room or part of a room intended or designed to be used for cooking or the preparation of food. The presence of a range or oven, or utility connections suitable for servicing a range or oven, shall be considered as establishing a kitchen.

"Landscaping" means lawns, trees, plants and other natural materials, such as rock and wood chips, and decorative features, including sculpture.

"Level of service" or "LOS" means a qualitative measure describing operational conditions within a traffic stream, based on service measures such as speed and travel time, freedom to maneuver, traffic interruptions, comfort, and convenience. Six levels of service, from A to F, are used to represent a range of operating conditions with LOS A representing the best operating conditions and LOS F the worst.

- 1. "LOS A" means the LOS at which vehicles are almost completely unimpeded in their ability to maneuver within the traffic stream, passing demand is well below passing capacity, drivers are delayed no more than 30 percent of the time by slow moving vehicles.
- 2. "LOS B" means the LOS at which the ability to maneuver a vehicle is only slightly restricted; passing demand approximately equals passing capacity, and drivers are delayed up to 45 percent of the time; the level of physical and psychological comfort provided to drivers is still high.
- 3. "LOS C" means the LOS at which the ability to maneuver a vehicle is noticeably restricted and lane changes require more care and vigilance on the part of the driver;

percent time delays are up to 60 percent; traffic will begin to back up behind slow 538 539 moving vehicles. 540 4. "LOS D" means the LOS at which speeds begin to decline with increasing traffic flow, 541 density begins to increase somewhat more quickly, passing demand is very high while 542 543 passing capacity approaches zero, and the driver experiences reduced physical and 544 psychological comfort levels; the percentage of time motorists are delayed approaches 545 75 percent, even minor incidents can be expected to back up traffic because the traffic 546 stream has little space to absorb disruptions. 547 548 5. "LOS E" means the LOS at which roadway is at capacity; the percentage of time delay 549 is greater than 75 percent, passing is virtually impossible, as there are virtually no 550 usable gaps in the traffic stream; vehicles are closely spaced, leaving little room to 551 maneuver, physical and psychological comfort afforded to the driver is poor. 552 553 6. "LOS F" means the LOS at which traffic is heavily congested with traffic demand 554 exceeding traffic capacity, there is a breakdown in vehicular flow, and vehicle delay is 555 high. 556 557 "Light trespass" means light emitted by a luminaire that shines beyond the boundaries 558 of the property on which the luminaire is located. 559 560 "Living ground cover" means low growing, spreading, perennial plants that provide 561 continuous coverage of the area. 562 "Living plant life other than ground cover" means plants, including, but not limited to, 563 564 trees, flower beds, rock gardens, shrubs and hedges. 565 566 "Loading space" means an off-street space on the same lot with a building or 567 contiguous to a group of buildings, designated or intended for the use of temporarily 568 parked commercial vehicles while loading and unloading, and that abuts upon a street, 569 alley or other appropriate means of access. 570 571 "Lodging" means any building or portion of a building that does not contain a dwelling 572 unit and that contains no more than five guest rooms that are used, rented or hired out 573 to be occupied for sleeping purposes by guests. 574 LOS. See "level of service." 575 576 "Lot" means a single parcel of land of any size, the boundaries of which have been 577 established by some legal instrument of record, that is recognized and described as a 578 unit for the purpose of transfer of ownership. It may shown on a subdivision plat map, 579 or record of survey map, or described by metes and bounds and recorded in the office of the District Recorder. "Lot" includes tracts and parcels of land of any size or shape. 580

"Lot, corner" means a lot situated at the intersection of two or more streets having an angle of intersection of not more than 135 degrees.

"Lot depth" means the horizontal distance between the front and rear lot lines measured on the longitudinal centerline.

"Lot, interior" means a lot other than a corner lot.

"Lot line, front" means the shortest lot line that is a street line. In the case of (1) a square, or nearly square-shaped, corner lot, or (2) a through lot, the owner may choose which street to designate as the front of the lot by giving written notice to the Department. Once the choice of frontage has been made, it cannot be changed unless all requirements for yard space with the new front lot line are satisfied.

"Lot line, rear" means a lot line that is opposite and most distant from the front lot line and, in case of an irregular or triangular lot, a line 10 feet in length within the lot, parallel to and at the maximum distance from the front lot line.

"Lot line, side" means any lot boundary line that is not a front lot line or rear lot line. "Lot, through" means a lot having a frontage on two parallel or approximately parallel streets.

"Lot width" means the width of a lot calculated according to HCC 21.05.050.

"Luminaire" means a complete lighting unit, including a lamp or lamps together with parts to distribute light.

"Luminaire, cut-off" means a luminaire that allows no direct light from the luminaire above the horizontal plane through the luminaire's lowest light emitting part, in its mounted form either through manufacturing design or shielding.

"Luminaire, height of" means the vertical distance from the ground directly below the centerline of the luminaire to the lowest direct light emitting part of the luminaire.

"Ministorage" means one or more buildings containing units available for rent for the purpose of the general storage of household goods and personal property in which each unit (1) is separated from all other such units, (2) is fully enclosed, and (3) does not have an area greater than 600 square feet.

"Mitigation plan" means a plan designed to mitigate the effect of impervious cover on water flow and loss of ground cover, and may include systems of water impoundment, settling ponds, grease and sand traps, and leach fields among others.

"Mobile commercial structure" means a structure constructed as a movable or portable unit, capable of being transported on its own chassis or wheels, that is designed for nonpermanent uses and placed on a nonpermanent foundation and is used in any activity that promotes, supports or involves a land use permitted outright in the zoning district in which the mobile commercial unit is to be placed.

"Mobile food service" has the meaning defined in HCC 8.11.020 and, for purposes of the zoning code, is treated as a temporary business.

"Mobile home" or "manufactured home" means a structure, transportable in one or more sections: (1) that in the traveling mode is eight feet or more in width or 40 feet or more in length, or when erected on site is 320 square feet or more; and (2) that is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when the plumbing, heating, and electrical systems contained therein are connected to the required utilities. A mobile home shall be construed to remain a mobile home whether or not wheels, axles, hitch or other appurtenances of mobility are removed, and regardless of the nature of the foundation provided. A mobile home shall not be construed to be a recreational vehicle or a factory built dwelling.

"Mobile home park" means one or more lots developed and operated as a unit with individual sites and facilities to accommodate two or more mobile homes.

"Native vegetation" means native plant communities that are undisturbed or mimicked.

"Natural or manmade features" means features in landscaping other than plants, including, but not limited to, boulders, or planters.

Nonconforming Lot. See HCC 21.61.010.

Nonconforming Structure. See HCC 21.61.010.

Nonconforming Use. See HCC 21.61.010.

"Nursing facility" means a facility that is primarily engaged in providing skilled nursing care or rehabilitative services and related services for those who, because of their mental or physical condition, require care and services above the level of room and board. "Nursing facility" does not include a facility that is primarily for the care and treatment of mental diseases or an assisted living home.

"Occupancy" means the purpose for which a building is used or intended to be used. The term may also include the building or room housing such use. Change of occupancy does not result from a mere change of tenants or proprietors.

"Office" means a physical location designed for, or used as, the office of professional, business, administrative, institutional, charitable, personal service or public organizations or persons, but does not include direct retail or wholesale sale of goods except for those sales that are clearly incidental to the principal office use.

 "Office, general business" means an office maintained and operated for the conduct of management level administrative services or in which individuals or entities are provided services in office settings in the nature of government, business, real estate, insurance, property management, title companies, investment and financial, personnel, travel, and similar services, including business offices of public utilities or other activities when the service rendered is a service customarily associated with office services. Offices that are part of and are located with a business or industrial firm in another category are considered accessory to that firm's primary activity. Professional office is excluded.

 "Office, professional" means an office maintained and operated for the conduct of a professional business or occupation requiring the practice of a learned art or science through specialized knowledge based on a degree issued by an institute of higher learning, including but not limited to medicine, dentistry, law, architecture, engineering, accounting, and veterinary medicine. General business office and clinic are excluded.

"Off-road vehicle" means any motorized vehicle designed for or capable of cross-country travel on or immediately over land, water, sand, snow, ice, wetland, or other natural terrain, except that such terms exclude (1) registered motorboats, (2) military, fire, emergency, and law enforcement vehicles when used for such military, emergency, and law enforcement purposes, and (3) any vehicle whose use is expressly approved by the City of Homer.

"Oil water separators" means passive, physical separation systems, designed for removal of oils, fuels, hydraulic fluids, and similar products from water. They are generally large-capacity, underground cement vaults installed between a drain and the connecting storm drain pipe. These vaults are designed with baffles to trap sediments and retain floating oils. The large capacity of the vault slows down the wastewater, allowing oil to float to the surface and solid material to settle out.

"Open space" means an area reserved or developed for recreational uses or preserved for its natural amenities. Open space may include squares, parks, bicycle and

708 pedestrian paths, refuges, campgrounds, picnic areas, playgrounds, and gardens. 709 "Open space" does not include outdoor recreation facilities. 710 711 "Overbank flood protection volume" or "Op" means the volume controlled by 712 structural practices to prevent an increase in the frequency of out of bank flooding 713 generated by development. 714 715 "Overlay district" means a defined area with supplementary regulations that is 716 superimposed upon all or part of one or more underlying zoning districts. The 717 boundaries of an overlay district are usually shown on the official map, but may be 718 established by description. 719 720 "Overslope development" means an overslope platform and the structures located on 721 the overslope platform. 722 723 "Overslope platform" means an elevated horizontal structure designed to support 724 buildings that are located above the slope between an upland lot and the water of the 725 Homer small boat harbor. 726 727 "Parking lot" means an off-street, ground level open area, usually improved, containing 728 parking spaces for motor vehicles. 729 730 "Parking lot, double-loaded" means all or any portion of a parking lot in which there 731 are parking spaces on both sides of the driving aisle. 732 733 "Parking lot, single-loaded" means all or any portion of a parking lot in which there are 734 parking spaces on only one side of the driving aisle. 735 736 "Parking space" is a space in a parking lot that is reserved for the parking of a vehicle. 737 738 "Parking stall" is synonymous with "parking space." 739 740 "Peak hour" in reference to traffic means a one-hour period representing the highest 741 hourly volume of traffic flow on the adjacent street system during the morning (a.m. 742 peak hour), during the afternoon or evening (p.m. peak hour) or representing the hour 743 of highest volume of traffic entering or exiting a site (peak hour of generator). 744 745 "Pedestrian way" means a maintained walkway or path, no less than four feet wide, 746 that connects two or more focal points of pedestrian activity, including other 747 pedestrian ways, trails, transit stops, street or parking area crossings, or building entry 748 points. Sidewalks may be pedestrian ways. 749

"Performance standards" means minimum requirements or maximum allowable limits on the effects or characteristics of a use.

"Permeable, continuous nonliving ground cover" means landscaping surfaces made up of materials such as, but not limited to, crushed rock, bark and mulch.

"Permit" means any permit, approval or other authorization issued by the City under the authority of the Homer Zoning Code or regulations.

"Person aggrieved" means a person who shows proof of the adverse effect an action or determination taken or made under the Homer Zoning Code has or could have on the use, enjoyment, or value of real property owned by that person. An interest that is no different from that of the general public is not sufficient to establish aggrievement.

"Personal service" means a business primarily engaged in providing services involving the care of an individual or his or her personal goods or apparel.

"Pipeline" means a line six inches or larger, which may include accessory pumps, valves and control devices, for conveying liquids, gases or finely divided solids that are constructed within rights-of-way or easements or from one parcel to another. However, for the purpose of securing a conditional use permit the following are excluded: the mains, hydrants, pumps, services, and pressure stations of the City of Homer water utility; the mains, services, manholes and lift stations of the City of Homer sewer utility and the local service mains, valves and services of a gas utility legally authorized to provide such service within the City.

"Planned unit development" or "PUD" means a residential, commercial, office, industrial, or other type of development, or a combination thereof, approved under the conditional use procedures and applicable provisions of this title and characterized by comprehensive planning for the entire project, the clustering of buildings to preserve open space and natural features, and provision for the maintenance and use of open space and other facilities held in common by the property owners within the project.

"Planning Commission" means the Homer Advisory Planning Commission.

"Pollutant" in reference to waters means any substance that causes contamination or other alteration of the physical, chemical, or biological properties of waters including change in temperature, taste, color, turbidity, or odor of the waters, or such discharge of any liquid, gaseous, solid, radioactive or other substance into the waters that will or is likely to create a nuisance or render such waters harmful. These substances include, but are not limited to, any dredge, spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, oil, grease, garbage, sewage, sludge, medical waste, chemical waste, biological materials, heat, petrochemical, and sediment.

"Pollution, nonpoint source" means pollution from any source other than from any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyances and shall include, but not be limited to, parking lots and roof tops and include substances such as pathogens, petrochemicals, sediments, debris, toxic contaminants, or nutrients.

"Pollution, point source" means pollution from any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance, including but not limited to any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, discrete fissure, container, landfill leachate collection system, vessel or other floating craft from which pollutants are or may be discharged.

Principal Use. See "use, principal."

"Project" means an existing or proposed development.

"Public spaces" means space containing amenities for public use or enjoyment, for example, benches, bike racks, water features, public art, and kiosks that enhance the community.

"Public utility facility or structure," for the purpose of requiring a conditional use permit, means (1) any facility or structure owned and operated by a public or private utility, or (2) a telecommunications tower or antenna, but it excludes water distribution mains, pressure stations and hydrants, sewage collection lines, manholes and lift stations, underground and overhead electrical, cable and telephone lines and poles, street lights and small wind energy systems.

"Ravine" means a long, deep hollow in the earth's surface with walls that have a height of at least 15 feet and an average slope of not less than 500 percent (five feet difference in elevation per one foot of horizontal distance).

"Recharge volume" or "Rev" means that portion of the water quality volume used to maintain groundwater recharge rates at development sites.

"Recreational facility, indoor" means a building used for indoor sports, recreation, physical activities or games such as bowling alleys, racquetball courts, skating rinks, and other physical recreation activities.

"Recreational facility, outdoor" means a lot used for outdoor sports activities or games such as skating rinks, batting cages, sports fields, golf courses, miniature golf, driving ranges, equestrian arenas, open air performing arts centers and similar activities. It does not include sport fishing in the waters of any watercourse, water body, or Kachemak Bay.

835 "Recreational vehicle" is a vehicular unit, other than a manufactured home, that is 836 designed and manufactured as temporary lodging for travel, recreational and vacation 837 use, and which is either self-propelled, mounted on or pulled by another vehicle. 838 Examples include, but are not limited to, a travel trailer, camping trailer, truck camper, 839 motor home, and fifth-wheel trailer. 840 841 "Recreational vehicle park" means a parcel of land that has been planned and 842 improved for use by two or more recreational vehicles for transient occupancy. 843 844 "Religious, cultural and fraternal assembly" means a use or building owned or 845 maintained by an organized religious organization or nonprofit entity for assemblies 846 for social, cultural, civic, or philanthropic purposes, or where persons regularly 847 assemble for worship. 848 849 "Reservoir" means a pond, lake, or basin, either natural or artificial, for the storage, 850 regulation, and control of water. 851 852 "Residential districts" or "residential zoning districts" means the rural residential, 853 urban residential, and residential office zoning districts. 854 855 "Retention structure" means a permanent structure that provides for the storage of 856 water runoff. 857 858 "Right-of-way" means the entire width of property dedicated for a public street or 859 private easement providing ingress and egress from property abutting thereon. 860 Road. See "street." 861 862 "Roadside stand" means a temporary structure on land adjacent to a street, usually for 863 the attraction of motorists for profit-making purposes. Common roadside stands sell 864 local food, produce, firewood, handcrafted items or imported goods. 865 866 "Rooming house" means a dwelling containing not more than five guest rooms that are used, rented or hired out to be occupied for sleeping purposes by guests. A rooming 867 house shall not accommodate in excess of 15 guests. A rooming house shall also include 868 any structures associated with the dwelling, such as guest cabins; provided, that a 869 870 conditional use permit was obtained for any associated structures, if a permit is required in order to have more than one building containing a permitted principal use 871 872 on the lot. "Rooming house" does not include bed and breakfast. 873

"School" means an institution or place for instruction or education, including all

structures and land necessary to the accomplishment of educational purposes.

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877 "School, commercial" means a school for the teaching of clerical, managerial, 878 administrative, service or artistic skills. This applies to schools operated privately for 879 profit that do not offer a complete educational curriculum, e.g., beauty school, 880 modeling school and secretarial school. Commercial school does not include trade. 881 skilled or industrial school. 882 883 "School, private" means a school that provides a complete educational curriculum and 884 is owned and operated by private educational, religious, charitable, or other institution. 885 It may provide elementary, secondary or post-secondary levels of education. 886 887 "School, public" means a school owned and operated or chartered by the Kenai 888 Peninsula Borough or the State or University of Alaska for the purpose of public 889 education. 890 891 "School, trade, skilled or industrial" means a school for the teaching of industrial, 892 construction, technical and skilled trades skills, including schools operated by or for 893 labor unions. Examples include welding, carpentry, electrician, and similar training 894 schools. 895 896 "Sediment" means soils or other surficial materials transported or deposited by the 897 action of wind, water, ice, or gravity as a product of erosion. 898 899 "Senior housing" means attached or detached independent living developments, 900 including retirement communities, age-restricted housing and active adult 901 communities. 902 903 Service Station. See "auto fueling station" and "auto repair." 904 905 "Setback" means the required minimum distance between the lot line and a building, 906 measured according to Chapter 21.05 HCC. The setback area establishes a required 907 yard in which structures are prohibited or limited as provided in the zoning code. 908 909 "Sewer, community" means that portion of a nonpublic sewerage serving: 910 1. One or more multifamily dwellings; 911 912 2. A mobile home park, a trailer park, or a recreational vehicle park; 913 914 3. Two or more: 915 a. Single-family homes or duplexes; b. Commercial establishments; 916 917 c. Industrial establishments; or 918 d. Institutions; or

920 4. Any combination of two or more of the structures listed in subsections (3)(a) through 921 (d) of this definition. 922 923 "Sewer, public" means a sewer system operated for the benefit of the public by the City 924 of Homer or a public utility under a certificate of convenience and necessity issued by 925 the Regulatory Commission of Alaska or by its predecessor or successor agency. 926 "Shelter for the homeless" means a building used primarily to provide on-site meals, 927 shelter and secondary personal services such as showers and haircuts to the homeless 928 929 and the needy on a nonpermanent basis for no or nominal compensation. 930 Sign. See HCC 21.60.040. 931 932 "Site" means any lot, tract, or parcel of land, or a portion thereof, or any combination 933 thereof that is in one ownership or is contiguous and in diverse ownership, where 934 development exists or will be created as one unit, subdivision, or project. 935 936 "Site plan" means a plan, to scale, showing the proposed use and development of a 937 site. The plan generally includes lot lines, streets, points of vehicular access to the site. 938 building sites, reserved open space, existing buildings, major landscape features (both 939 natural and manmade), and the locations of utility lines. Additional information may be 940 required on a site plan by applicable provisions of the zoning code. 941 942 "Slash pile" means a row or pile of woody debris from timber harvesting, land clearing, 943 or similar activity. 944 945 "Slope" means, with respect to two points on the surface of the ground, the ratio, 946 expressed as a percentage, of the difference between their elevations divided by the horizontal distance between them. Slope is measured as provided in HCC 21.05.040. 947 948 949 "Small wind energy system" means a wind energy system having a rated capacity of 950 less than 25 kilowatts and a total height less than 170 feet, whose primary function is to 951 provide electric power for on-site consumption. 952 953 "Stabilization" means the prevention of soil movement by any of various vegetative or 954 structural means. 955 956 "Stable, private" means an accessory building in which one or more horses are kept for 957 private use and enjoyment and not for boarding, hire or sale; or in which not more than one horse is kept for boarding, hire or sale. 958 959 960 "Stable, public" means a building in which two or more horses are kept for boarding, 961 hire or sale.

"State highway" means a street designated by the State as a part of the State highway system.

"Steep slope" means an elevation change in topography of at least 15 feet, with an average slope of not less than 45 percent (one foot difference in elevation per 2.22 feet of horizontal distance). A steep slope can occur naturally or can be created by excavation into or filling over natural ground.

"Stormwater management" means:

- 1. For quantitative control, a system of vegetative and structural measures that control the increased volume and rate of surface runoff caused by manmade changes to the land; and
- 2. For qualitative control, a system of vegetative, structural, and other measures that reduce or eliminate pollutants that might otherwise be carried by surface runoff.
- "Stormwater management, off-site" means the design and construction of a facility necessary to control stormwater from more than one development.
- "Stormwater management, on-site" means the design and construction of systems necessary to control stormwater within an immediate development site.
- "Stormwater management plan" or "SWP" means a set of drawings or other documents prepared according to the requirements of this title and submitted by a person as a prerequisite to obtaining a stormwater management approval. A SWP will contain all of the information and specifications pertaining to stormwater management.
- "Stormwater runoff" means flow on the surface of the ground, resulting from precipitation or snow melt.
- "Story" means that portion of a building included between the upper surface of any floor and the upper surface of the floor next above, except that the topmost story shall be that portion of a building included between the upper surface of the topmost floor and the ceiling or roof above. If the finished floor level directly above a basement or cellar is more than six feet above grade for more than 50 percent of the total perimeter or is more than 12 feet above grade at any point, such basement or cellar shall be considered a story.
- "Story, half" means a story under a gable, hip, gambrel or mansard roof, the wall plates of which on at least two of its opposite exterior walls are not more than two feet above the floor of such story.

1006 "Stream" means any body of flowing water, including a river, creek, tributary, or other 1007 watercourse. 1008 1009 "Stream banks" are defined by the steep or sloping ground that borders a stream and 1010 confines the water in the natural channel when the water level or flow is normal. 1011 1012 "Stream, intermittent" means a stream that does not flow continuously but stops or 1013 dries up from time to time. 1014 1015 "Stream, perennial" means a stream that flows continuously throughout the year, in 1016 contrast to an intermittent stream. 1017 1018 "Street" means a public thoroughfare including a public street, road or highway of any 1019 description that affords a principal means of access to abutting property. Street does 1020 not include alley or driveway. 1021 1022 "Street line" means the line of demarcation between a street right-of-way and the 1023 abutting lot(s). 1024 1025 "Stripping" means any activity that removes the vegetative surface cover including tree 1026 removal, clearing, grubbing and storage or removal of topsoil. 1027 1028 "Structural alteration" means any change of the supporting members of a building or 1029 structure such as bearing walls, columns, beams or girders. 1030 1031 "Structure" means anything constructed or erected that requires location on the 1032 ground or that is attached to something having location on the ground. 1033 1034 "Studio" means a room, rooms or building where an artist or photographer does work, 1035 a place where dancing lessons, music lessons, or similar artistic lessons are given, or 1036 where radio or television programs are produced or where recordings are made. 1037 1038 "Taxi" means any motor vehicle, permitted and licensed by the City, having a 1039 manufactured-rated seating capacity of nine passengers or less engaged in the carrying 1040 of persons in exchange for receiving fares, not operated over a fixed route, and subject 1041 to calls from a central location or otherwise operated for hire to perform public 1042 transportation. 1043 1044 "Taxi operation" means a taxi business operated from a fixed location, but not limited 1045 in its operation to any particular route, which may include a dispatch office and vehicle 1046 fleet parking. 1047

1048 "Timber growing, harvesting and forest crops" means the growing, harvesting, or both, 1049 for commercial purposes, of (1) trees including, without limitation, live trees, Christmas 1050 trees and tree products in the form of logs, chunks, bark chips or similar items; or (2) 1051 minor forest crops such as cones, ferns, greenery, berries and moss. 1052 "Total suspended solids" means the sum of the organic and inorganic particles (e.g., 1053 1054 sediment) suspended in and carried by a fluid (e.g., water). 1055 1056 "Tower, amateur radio" means a fixed vertical structure used exclusively to support an antenna used by an amateur radio operator licensed by the Federal Communications 1057 1058 Commission, plus its accompanying base plates, anchors, guy cables and hardware. 1059 1060 "Tower, communications" means a fixed vertical structure built for the primary 1061 purpose of supporting wireless communications equipment, plus its accompanying 1062 base plates, anchors, guy cables and hardware. 1063 1064 "Townhouse" means a building on its own separate lot containing one dwelling unit 1065 that occupies space from the ground to the roof and is attached to one or more other 1066 townhouse dwelling units by at least one common wall. 1067 1068 "Trip" in reference to traffic means a single one-way motor vehicle movement either to 1069 or from a subject property or study area. 1070 1071 "Turbidity" means an expression of the optical property that causes light to be 1072 scattered and absorbed rather than transmitted in straight lines through a water 1073 sample; turbidity in water is caused by the presence of suspended matter such as clay, 1074 silt, finely divided organic and inorganic matter, plankton, and other microscopic 1075 organisms. 1076 1077 "Use" means the purpose for which land or a structure is occupied, arranged, designed 1078 or intended, or for which either land or a structure is or may be occupied or maintained. 1079 1080 "Use, principal" means the use of a lot or structure that is of chief importance or 1081 function on the lot. 1082 1083 "Variance" means any deviation from the requirements of the zoning code authorized 1084 by the Planning Commission pursuant to Chapter 21.72 HCC. "Vehicle fleet" means a group of vehicles operated under unified control. 1085 1086 1087 Vehicle Maintenance. See "auto repair." 1088 1089 Vehicle Repair. See "auto repair."

1091 "Visibility or vision clearance" means the assurance of adequate and safe vision 1092 clearance particularly for vehicle operators and pedestrians; a specified area of 1093 clearance at corners of intersections where no plantings, walls, structures or temporary 1094 or permanent obstructions exceeding a specified height above the curb level are 1095 allowed. 1096 1097 "Water-dependent" means a use or activity that can be carried out only on, in or 1098 adjacent to water areas because the use requires access to the water body. 1099 1100 "Water quality volume" or "WQv" means the volume needed to capture and treat 90 1101 percent of the average annual runoff volume at a development site. 1102 1103 "Water-related" means a use or activity that is not directly dependent upon access to a 1104 water body, but which provides goods and services that are directly associated with 1105 water-dependent uses or activities. 1106 1107 "Watercourse" means any natural or artificial stream, river, creek, ditch, channel, canal, 1108 conduit, culvert, drain, waterway, gully, ravine or wash, in and including any adjacent 1109 area that is subject to inundation from overflow or floodwater. 1110 1111 "Watershed" means any area of land that water flows or drains under or across ground 1112 on its way to a lake, pond, river, stream, or wetland. A watershed can be delineated on 1113 a topographical map by connecting the high points of the contour lines surrounding 1114 any water body. 1115 1116 "Wetland" means an area of land that is inundated or saturated by surface or 1117 groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal 1118 circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in 1119 saturated soil conditions. 1120 1121 Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas. 1122 1123 Wholesale. See "business, wholesale." 1124 1125 "Wind energy system" means a wind turbine and its supporting wind energy system 1126 tower. 1127 1128 "Wind energy system tower" means a fixed vertical structure that supports a wind 1129 turbine, including a monopole or lattice tower, plus its accompanying base plates, anchors, guy cables and hardware. 1130 1131 1132 "Wind turbine" means a bladed or other type of rotating mechanism that converts wind 1133 energy into electric energy.

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Section 21.54.200 Standards for recreational vehicle parks-General.

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1176 HCC 21.54.200 through 21.54.325 establish standards governing recreational vehicle 1177 parks, recreational vehicles in residential zoning districts, and employee-occupied 1178 recreational vehicles. 1179 1180 Section 3: Section 21.54.210 entitled "Spaces and occupancy" is amended to read as follows: 1181 1182 Section 21.54.210 Space and occupancy. 1183 1184 a. Space Size. The space provided for each recreational vehicle shall be a minimum of 1185 600 square feet, exclusive of any space used for common areas, driving lanes, 1186 walkways, general use structures, and landscaped areas. 1187 1188 b. Identification. Each recreational vehicle space shall be plainly marked and numbered 1189 for identification. 1190 1191 c. Occupancy. Only one recreational vehicle shall occupy a space. Recreational vehicle 1192 parks may be open on a year-round basis. Except as otherwise permitted under this 1193 title, no recreational vehicle shall be parked for occupancy in a recreational vehicle 1194 park for more than 30 continuous days, nor shall a recreational vehicle be parked for 1195 occupancy in a recreational vehicle park for more than 120 days in any 12-month 1196 period. 1197 1198 Section 4. Homer City Code 21.54 is amended to add section 21.54.325 to read as follows: 1199 1200 21.54.325 Standards for recreational vehicles in the Marine Commercial District and the 1201 Marine Industrial District. 1202 1203 Outside of recreational vehicle parks, the use of recreational vehicles in the marine 1204 commercial and industrial zoning districts shall conform to the following standards: 1205 1206 A property owner may have one employee-occupied recreational vehicle per lot. An 1207 employee-occupied recreational vehicle must be a self-contained recreational vehicle 1208 and must have a receptacle approved by law for collection of liquid and semi-solid 1209 wastes. While the employee-occupied recreational vehicle is parked on the property, it 1210 must be parked in a manner that will not create a dangerous or unsafe condition on the 1211 lot or adjacent properties. Parking in such fashion that the recreational vehicle may tip 1212 or roll constitutes a dangerous and unsafe condition. A parked employee-occupied 1213 recreational vehicle must be in a condition for the safe and effective performance of its 1214 intended function as an operable motor vehicle. 1215 1216 An employee-occupied recreational vehicle may not be placed in a parking space

required to comply with the Homer Zoning Code.

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An employee-occupied recreational vehicle may not directly hook-up to municipal water and sewer without first obtaining written approval by the Public Works Director or his or her designee. The Public Works Director shall grant approval for direct hook-up to the municipal water and sewer if he or she determines that the applicant is in full compliance with this Title. A permit under this subsection may only be submitted by a property owner or a lessee of the property. Section 5: 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 THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2018. CITY OF HOMER BRYAN ZAK MAYOR ATTEST: MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK YES: 6 NO: O ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: O First Reading: 01-08-18 Public Hearing: 01.22-18 Second Reading: 01.22.18 Effective Date: 01-23-18 Reviewed and approved as to form: Mary K. Koester, City Manager City Attorney