

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

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RESOLUTION 18-018(S)

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL DIRECTING THE
ADVISORY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO
ANNUALLY REVIEW WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR HIGH VOLUME
USERS

WHEREAS, The Water and Sewer Task Force was established by Council in March of 2012 to review the existing water and sewer rate structure and provide written recommendations to Council; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force is to be commended for its hard work over the course of over a year to tackle a complicated and controversial topic: and

WHEREAS, The Task Force proposed changes to the rate structure based on a commodity based uniform rate which was approved by City Council in Resolution 13-048(S-2)(A-3); and

WHEREAS, One of the unintended consequences of the changes to the water and sewer rate was economic damage to large volume users which resulted in job losses; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Commission bylaws state they are to act in an advisory capacity to the City Manager and the City Council on the overall economic development planning for the City of Homer; and

WHEREAS, Water and sewer rates need to be reviewed before July when City Council is required to review and adopt any changes in water sewer rates for the following fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Some years the Economic Development Commission may find that no changes are needed to the rate structure, nevertheless it is important to annually review the impact of water and sewer rates on business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Economic Development Commission shall be tasked with reviewing water and sewer rates with regard to the impact on business and high volume users annually and deliver a report to the City Council no later than the first regularly scheduled City Council meeting in June.

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DONNA ADERHOLD, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

ATTEST:

MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal note: N/A