

CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA

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**ORDINANCE 19-07(S-3)(A-2)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA AMENDING THE FY 2019 CAPITAL BUDGET BY REAPPROPRIATING FY2019 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$177,172.05 FROM THE POLICE STATION FUND **AND \$7,827.95 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO HOMER FOUNDATION FOR CITY OF HOMER GRANTS RELATED TO ADDICTION PREVENTION, TREATMENT, HARM REDUCTION, AND RECOVERY; AND SET FREE ALASKA FOR THE PURPOSE TO AID THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN A RESIDENTIAL AND OUT-PATIENT ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTER IN THE CITY OF HOMER.**

WHEREAS, Homer is experiencing an opioid epidemic with rates of opioid related crime and death skyrocketing; and

WHEREAS, **Homer and surrounding** communities of Homer has **have** come together to form the **Southern Kenai Peninsula** Opioid Task Force with representation from across the community to combat the epidemic; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer realizes the solution to this epidemic will require the partnership and effort of the entire community; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer passed Resolution 16-008 supporting the establishment of a syringe exchange program in Homer City Limits; and

WHEREAS, Homer City Council is supportive of the efforts of the **Southern Kenai Peninsula** Opioid Task Force and has a standing quarterly report from **the Task Force** on their meeting agenda; and

**WHEREAS, Contributing \$10,000 to the Homer Foundation's City of Homer grant fund specifically for Homer-based organizations conducting programs and events related to addiction prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery would benefit all of Homer and the surrounding area; and**

WHEREAS, The closest residential addiction treatment for Homer area residents is the central peninsula; and

44 WHEREAS, Set Free Alaska is an Alaskan non-profit that has successfully run an  
45 addiction treatment center in the MatSu Valley since 2009; and

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47 ~~WHEREAS, Set Free Alaska's program completion rate ranges from 20-35% higher than~~  
48 ~~the statewide average for addiction treatment; and~~

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50 WHEREAS, Set Free Alaska's goal is to establish a comprehensive array of substance  
51 abuse services including inpatient, outpatient and prevention in Homer; and

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53 WHEREAS, Set Free Alaska is applying for a \$1.5 million grant with the State of Alaska to  
54 establish a residential addiction treatment facility within the Homer city limits; and

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56 WHEREAS, Set Free Alaska has letters of support for the treatment facility from multiple  
57 diverse community organizations; and

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59 WHEREAS, Set Free Alaska has received in kind donations from local organizations and  
60 has a local fundraising committee dedicated to generating additional local cash donations for  
61 a Homer treatment center; and

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63 WHEREAS, By contributing ~~\$177,172.05~~ **\$175,000** the City of Homer will help close the  
64 gap between the state grant and the amount the local community can fundraise and allow Set  
65 Free Alaska to establish a treatment facility in Homer; and

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67 WHEREAS, The Homer City Council adopted Ordinance 15-16 removing State Revenue  
68 Sharing from the City of Homer Operating budget with the intention of using those funds on  
69 one-time purchases; and

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71 WHEREAS, The most recent amount received in Community Assistance for State fiscal  
72 year 2019 was \$177,172.05; and

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74 WHEREAS, It is appropriate and in the City's interest to appropriate funds from FY 2020  
75 State Revenue Sharing to move this project forward spend Community Assistance funds on  
76 **opioid and other addiction related projects and programs in the Homer community** this  
77 community-wide project; and

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79 ~~WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Homer City Council to reimburse the General Fund for~~  
80 ~~this expenditure with the anticipated State FY 2020 Community Assistance; and~~

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82 **WHEREAS, The 2019 budget appropriated the 2017 surplus of \$250,000 to the**  
83 **police station project; and**

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85 **WHEREAS, Reappropriating FY2019 Community Assistance from the Police Station**  
86 **to MAPP, the Homer Foundation's City of Homer grant fund, and Set Free Alaska leaves**  
87 **\$7,615,000 in available funds after bonding to construct the Police Station which exceeds**  
88 **the \$7.5 million budget Council established for the project; and**

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90 WHEREAS, A financial contribution from the City to pay part of the cost of Set Free  
91 Alaska's startup costs for an addiction treatment facility in Homer **for the following purposes:**

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- 93 • **To provide grant funds for Homer-based organizations to conduct programs**  
94 **and events related to addiction prevention, treatment, harm-reduction, and**  
95 **recovery through the Homer Foundation's City of Homer grant fund; and**
- 96 • **To pay part of Set Free Alaska's construction costs for a residential and out**  
97 **patient addiction treatment facility in Homer**

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99 is in the best interest of the City and its residents, and will serve a public purpose of the  
100 City; and

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102 **WHEREAS, The City Manager is authorized to develop a Memorandum of**  
103 **Understanding between the City of Homer and the Homer Foundation to disperse the**  
104 **funds.**

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106 NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:

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108 Section 1. The City of Homer hereby amends the FY 2019 Capital Budget by appropriating  
109 \$177,172.05 from the Police Station Fund to Set Free Alaska for the startup costs associated  
110 with an addiction treatment facility in Homer.

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112 Revenue:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	Police Station Fund	\$177,172.05
	<b><u>General Fund</u></b>	<b><u>General Fund Fund Balance</u></b>
		<b><u>\$7,827.95</u></b>

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117 Expenditure:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	<b><u>Homer Foundation</u></b>	<b><u>\$10,000.00</u></b>
	<b><u>Set Free Alaska</u></b>	<b><u>\$175,000.00</u></b>

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122 Section 2. Funding is contingent on Set Free Alaska receiving a grant from the State of  
123 Alaska for an addiction treatment facility in Homer.

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125 **Section 2. Funding to the Homer Foundation will be added to the City Homer's**  
126 **grant fund for the purpose of grants to organizations based in Homer to conduct**

127 **programs and events related to addiction, treatment, harm-reduction, and recovery. The**  
128 **Homer Foundation shall have the discretion to establish specific criteria and eligibility**  
129 **requirements. Information on the grants awarded will be included during the Homer**  
130 **Foundation regular report to the City on the City of Homer grant fund.**

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132 **Section 3. Funding to Set Free Alaska is contingent on their receipt a grant of the**  
133 **Residential Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Services grant from the State of**  
134 **Alaska for a residential addiction treatment facility in Homer. Funds to Set Free Alaska**  
135 **are designated for aid to construct a residential and out patient addiction treatment**  
136 **facility in the City of Homer.**

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138 **Section 4. All funding authorized in this ordinance is one time only.**

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140 Section 3 5. This is a budget amendment ordinance, is temporary in nature, and shall  
141 not be codified.

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143 ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMER, ALASKA, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
144 \_\_\_\_\_ 2019.

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146 CITY OF HOMER

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150 KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

151 ATTEST:

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155 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

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157 YES:

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159 ABSTAIN:

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162 First Reading:

163 Public Reading:

164 Second Reading:

165 Effective Date:

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Katie Koester, City Manager  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Holly Wells, City Attorney  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

