

1 **CITY OF HOMER**
2 **HOMER, ALASKA**

3 City Manager

4 **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 20-15**

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6 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER,
7 ALASKA, SUSPENDING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF
8 HOMER ADVISORY COMMISSIONS, BOARD AND COMMITTEES FOR
9 60 DAYS OR UNTIL THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION IS
10 LIFTED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF PLANNING COMMISSION
11 BUSINESS RELATED TO QUASI-JUDICIAL AND OTHER TIME
12 SENSITIVE ACTIONS LEGALLY REQUIRED IN HOMER CITY CODE,
13 STATUTE, ORDER OR REGULATION, AND REVIEW OF CITY LEASES
14 ON THE HOMER SPIT BY THE PORT AND HARBOR ADVISORY
15 COMMISSION.

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17 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 novel coronavirus outbreak is impacting municipalities
18 worldwide; and

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20 WHEREAS, The City of Homer Mayor had declared a local emergency; and

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22 WHEREAS, City offices are closed to the public as an effort to assist in mitigating the
23 spread of the coronavirus; and

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25 WHEREAS, Staffing is limited due to rotating shifts, support to the Emergency Operation
26 Center, and required self-isolation due to travel or possible exposure to the virus; and

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28 WHEREAS, It is necessary to temporarily suspend meetings of the City Commissions,
29 Board, and Committees until such time it is determined that it is safe to resume their business
30 and City staff is available to appropriately support the advisory bodies functions; and

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32 WHEREAS, The only exception is legally required time sensitive actions by the Planning
33 Commission and Port and Harbor Advisory Commission and those meetings will be held by
34 electronic means, including but not limited to teleconference or video meetings.

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36 NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:

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38 Section 1. The proceedings of the City of Homer advisory commissions, board and
39 committees are suspended for 60 days or until the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration is lifted,
40 with the exception of Planning Commission business related to quasi-judicial and other time
41 sensitive actions legally required in Homer City Code, statute, order or regulation, and the

42 review of city leases on the Homer Spit by the Port and Harbor Advisory Commission, which
43 will be held by electronic means, including but not limited to teleconference or video meetings.

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45 Section 2. The suspension is in place for 60 days or until the COVID-19 Emergency
46 Declaration is lifted.

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48 Section 3. This is an emergency ordinance of general character and will be effective for
49 60 days, in accordance with HCC 1.08.040.

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51 ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, this 23RD day of March, 2020.

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53 CITY OF HOMER

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57 KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

58 ATTEST:
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60 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

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62 YES:
63 NO:
64 ABSTAIN:
65 ABSENT:

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68 Reviewed and approved as to form.

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71 Katie Koester, City Manager

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71 Michael Gatti, City Attorney

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73 Date: _____

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73 Date: _____