

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

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ORDINANCE 20-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA
AMENDING HOMER CITY CODE CHAPTER 5.42 SINGLE-USE
PLASTIC CARRYOUT BAGS SECTION 5.42.040 EXCEPTIONS TO
CHANGE THE DEADLINE FOR PROVIDING SINGLE-USE PLASTIC
CARRYOUT BAGS FROM FEBRUARY 14, 2020 TO SEPTEMBER 15,
2020.

WHEREAS, The voters on October 1, 2019 approved the ban of single-use plastic bags;
and

WHEREAS, The enactment of new laws should not create undue burden on those it
governs; and

WHEREAS, The municipality's role is to insure a smooth transition through responsible
implementation of new laws; and

WHEREAS, Many municipalities provide an effective date that reasonably allows for
proper transition of newly enacted laws; and

WHEREAS, The effective date of the bag ban did not allow for seasonal businesses to
transition out of their bag stock purchased prior to the effective date of January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Many businesses buy bags in bulk to reduce costs and improve their bottom
line; and

WHEREAS, The election results and extension request deadline occurred during a time
when many of our seasonal business owners are not present or in operation.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:

Section 1: Homer City Code 5.42.040 Exceptions is amended as follows:

5.42.040 Exceptions.

Inventories of single-use plastic carryout bags purchased before January 1, 2020, may continue
to be used by sellers and provided to customers after January 1, 2020, until all such inventories
of single-use plastic carryout bags are completely used in the course of regular business

operations, or ~~February 14~~ **September 15**, 2020, whichever comes first. Sellers providing single-use plastic carryout bags under this exception between January 1, 2020, and ~~February 14~~ **September 15**, 2020, must be willing and able to provide documentation that such bags were purchased on or before December 9, 2019.

Section 2: This ordinance is of a permanent and general character and shall be included in the Homer City Code.

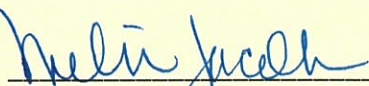
ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, this 13 day of April, 2020.

CITY OF HOMER



KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



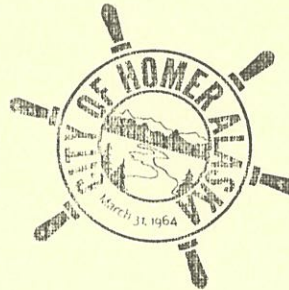
MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

YES: 4

NO: 2

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0



First Reading: 3.23.2020

Public Hearing: 4.13.2020

Second Reading: 4.13.2020

Effective Date: 4.14.2020

Reviewed and approved as to form.



City Manager

Date: 4-14-2020



Michael Gatti, City Attorney

Date: 8/14/2020