1 CITY OF HOMER 2 HOMER, ALASKA 3 Smith 4 **RESOLUTION 20-031** 5 6 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, 7 ASSIGNING THE MANAGEMENT AND USE OF THE OLD HOMER POLICE STATION TO THE HOMER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 8 9 OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS (HVFD) WITH 10 ASSOCIATED WITH THE BUILDING FUNDED OUT OF THE HVFD 11 BUDGET. 12 13 WHEREAS, The Homer Police Department will be relocating to the new police station 14 this year; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Once the relocation occurs, the old police station will be vacant; and 17 18 WHEREAS, The sixty year old Homer Fire Station can no longer efficiently meet the operational needs of the Homer Volunteer Fire Department (HVFD) and has many inadequacies 19 20 with regards to useable space of the facility; and 21 22 WHEREAS, HVFD has identified many uses for the old police station that are in the best 23 interest of public safety and community resiliency such as additional storage for supplies and 24 emergency response equipment, training and class room space, alternate temporary office 25 space, additional covered vehicle storage, parking for volunteers when responding to calls, 26 and an auxiliary dispatch station if an Emergency Operations Center is initiated; and 27 28 WHEREAS, The above listed uses would not trigger a change in occupancy and remodels 29 by the State Fire Marshal; and 30 31 WHEREAS, Alternate uses of the building that would require remodeling or a change in 32 use to the old police station would require architectural designs to be submitted and approved by the State which would extend the timeline for occupancy and come at significant expense; 33 34 and 35 36 WHEREAS, The building cannot be used in a 24-hour capacity (sleeping quarters) 37 without the installation of a sprinkler system; and 38 39 WHEREAS, Given the limited usability of the old police station, and HVFD has an imminent need for additional facility space, which the old police station could serve with 40 41 minimal improvements.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska, hereby assigns the management and use of the old Homer police station to the Homer Volunteer Fire Department and will follow up with a budget ordinance at mid-biennium for operating and maintenance costs associated with the building funded out of the HVFD budget. PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 23rd day of March, 2020. CITY OF HOMER KEN CASTNER, MAYOR ATTEST: MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK