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**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

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**ORDINANCE 13-28(A)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOMER, ALASKA,  
AMENDING HOMER CITY CODE CHAPTER 11.12, STREET  
AND HOUSE NUMBERING, TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS  
AND PROCEDURES FOR ASSIGNING STREET ADDRESSES  
AND NAMING AND RENAMING STREETS.

WHEREAS, Homer is a First Class city and has a plan for adopting street addresses; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department coordinates the addressing of properties in the  
City of Homer; and

WHEREAS, Street names and addresses shall comply with the National Emergency  
Number Association; and

WHEREAS, There is a need and benefit to improving the process of naming streets.

THE CITY OF HOMER HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. The name of Homer City Code Chapter 11.12, Street and House Numbering,  
is amended to read, "Assignment of Street Addresses and Street Naming."

Section 2. Homer City Code 11.12.010, Street and house numbering plan adopted, is  
amended to read as follows:

11.12.010 Street address assignment plan adopted. A plan for assigning street addresses  
in the City of Homer, Alaska, dated January 8, 1975, and amended August 13, 1979, as prepared  
by the Homer Advisory Planning Commission is adopted. The plan is to be kept on file in the  
office of the City Clerk, and is subject to amendment by council resolution.

Section 3. Homer City Code 11.12.020, Assignment of numbers, is amended to read as  
follows:

11.12.020 Assignment of street addresses. It shall be the responsibility of the City  
Planner to assign street addresses to specific locations, in accordance with the plan adopted by  
reference in this chapter. Upon the assignment of a street address, the City Planner shall notify  
the owner of the property to which the address has been assigned of the address and the  
requirements in HCC 11.12.030 for the posting of the address on the property. The City shall  
keep a record of such street address assignments which may include a map.

Section 4. Homer City Code 11.12.030, Duty of property owner, is amended to read as  
follows:

47 11.12.030 Duty of property owner. It is the duty of each property owner within 60 days  
48 after notice of the assignment of a street address to the property to post the street address or  
49 addresses assigned to the property in Arabic numerals a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) high  
50 with a minimum stroke of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm) in a color contrasting with the background in such  
51 manner and location as to be plainly visible from the street.

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53 Section 5. Homer City Code 11.12.040, Duties of subdividers--Designation of rights-of-  
54 way, is repealed.

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56 Section 6. Homer City Code 11.12.040, Street names, is enacted to read as follows:

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58 11.12.040 Street names. a. A street name shall comply with National Emergency  
59 Number Association ("NENA") standards

60 b. In addition to complying with NENA standards, a street name shall comply with the  
61 following requirements.

62 1. Except as provided in (3) of this subsection:

63 a. A street name shall not duplicate the name of any existing street in the  
64 city. For this purpose, the use of a different street type designation does not avoid  
65 duplication of an existing street name.

66 b. A letter or number shall not be used as a street name.

67 2. A newly created street or right-of-way that extends or has the same alignment  
68 as an existing named street shall have the same name as the existing named street.

69 3. No street name shall sound similar to an existing street name in the city.

70 4. No street name may include a directional designation.

71 5. A street name shall not exceed 17 characters, including the standard  
72 abbreviation for the street type designation.

73 6. The type of a street shall be designated using the following standards:

74 a. "Street" shall designate a right-of-way running north and south.

75 b. "Avenue" shall designate a right-of-way running east and west.

76 c. "Drive" shall designate a right-of-way running southeast to northwest, at  
77 an angle of approximately forty-five degrees to an avenue or street.

78 d. "Lane" shall designate a right-of-way running southwest to northeast, at  
79 an angle of approximately forty-five degrees to an avenue or street.

80 e. "Place" shall designate a right-of-way running north and south that does  
81 not exceed one thousand four hundred feet in length.

82 f. "Way" shall designate a right-of-way running east and west that does  
83 not exceed one thousand four hundred feet in length.

84 g. "Circle" shall designate a right-of-way running north and south that  
85 ends in a cul-de-sac and that that does not exceed one thousand four hundred feet  
86 in length.

87 h. "Court" shall designate a right-of-way running east and west that ends  
88 in a cul-de-sac and that that does not exceed one thousand four hundred feet in  
89 length.

90 i. "Road" shall designate a major curving right-of-way.

91 c. The City Council may allow exceptions to the standards in (b) of this section where it  
92 finds that the exception will not harm the public interest.



139 AYES: 6  
140 NOES: 0  
141 ABSTAIN: 0  
142 ABSENT: 0

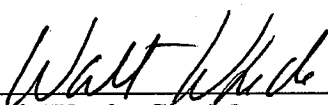
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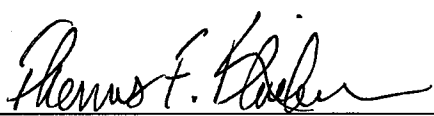
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Walt Wrede, City Manager

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Thomas F. Klinkner, City Attorney

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