

**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

Mayor

**RESOLUTION 20-087(A)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA,  
CREATING A SECOUND ROUND OF CARES ACT GRANTS FOR  
SMALL BUSINESSES.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 20-25(S) appropriated \$3,000,000.00 from the City's CARES Act grant for the purpose of providing grants to cover eligible expenses incurred by small businesses that have suffered economic harm from the economic slowdown due to the novel Coronavirus ; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 20-57 established the Small Business Economic Relief Grant program (SBERG), which established the eligibility requirements and duration of the program; and

WHEREAS, The existing SBERG program expired on September 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, The funding that was set aside for the SBERG program has a substantial balance remaining; and

WHEREAS, The Kenai Peninsula Borough has funded businesses that are located outside of the City's boundaries at a much higher level than the original SBERG program; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 20-60 appropriated additional CARES Act funds from the Kenai Peninsula Borough that recognizes and corrects the disparity between the original SBERG program and the Borough's small business grant program; and

WHEREAS, Businesses in Homer that began after March 14, 2020 were not eligible for SBERG grants, but can now demonstrate economic losses from the continuing COVID 19 pandemic, and should be included in any additional economic relief grant programs; and

WHEREAS, The COVID 19 pandemic is now in its seventh month and the City's businesses are still suffering the strain of lost revenue due to actions taken to protect public health.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Homer establishes a Round 2 Small Business Economic Relief Grant (SBERG) Program to respond to the continued economic hardships for businesses in the City of Homer as a matter of necessity as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated health mandates.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the parameters of the SBERG Round 2 Program are adopted as the SBERG Round 2 Program Policy under this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Homer will exercise best efforts to communicate the opportunity for this program throughout the community and provide technical assistance to those working to submit successful applications to the grant program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City administration will provide regular reports to the Homer City Council about the status of the SBERG 2 Program including information such as the number of applications received, number of applications processed, and account balances of the program fund.

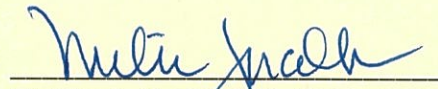
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 28th day of September, 2020.

CITY OF HOMER



KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal Note: N/A

