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**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager

**ORDINANCE 20-78**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA UNENCUMBERING THE UNEXPENDED AMOUNTS FROM THE ECONOMIC RELIEF GRANT PROGRAMS AND CITY MATERIAL, SERVICE, AND PERSONNEL COSTS AND MAINTAINING THE UNEXPENDED AMOUNTS IN THE COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND.

WHEREAS, The State of Alaska granted \$7,899,085.29 in Coronavirus Relief Funds to the City of Homer to provide direct relief for Homer's needs and expenses associated with coping with the novel coronavirus, COVID-19;

WHEREAS, The State arranged for the \$7,899,085.29 in Coronavirus Relief Funds to be disbursed in three tranches; and

WHEREAS, All Coronavirus Relief Funds received by the City are maintained in one account called the COVID-19 Response Fund to which all expenses are credited against; and

WHEREAS, Only expenses that were not accounted for in the City's budget and resulting from the City's response to COVID-19 during the period of March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020 are reimbursed with Coronavirus Relief Funds; and

WHEREAS, Ord. 20-25(S) and Ord. 20-45(S) encumbered \$5,600,000 of the \$7,899,085.29 to the City's Nonprofit Economic Relief Grant (NERG) program, the Social Services Economic Relief Grant (SoSERG) program, the Childcare Business Economic Relief Grant (CBERG) program, and the Household Economic Relief Grant (HERG) program; and

WHEREAS, The SoSERG, NERG, SoSERG, and CBERG programs all ended by October 2, 2020 and have a remaining balance of approximately \$2,641,043.50; and  
Whereas, The HERG program does not end until October 16, 2020 so a remaining balance is not known at this time; and

WHEREAS, Ord. 20-16, Ord. 20-22, Ord. 20-25(S), Ord. 20-63, Ord. 20-45(S), and Ord. 20-65 will have allocated \$1,644,949 to City material, services, and personnel expenses to carry municipal expenses associated with COVID-19 through December 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the City to have the ability to respond to and address community and municipal needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic quickly since Coronavirus Relief Funds must be spent by December 30, 2020;

43 WHEREAS, Legislation unappropriating the unexpended amounts is necessary in order  
44 to make those funds available to credit against other expenses resulting from the public health  
45 emergency stemming from COVID-19.

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47 NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:  
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49 Section 1. The unexpended amounts of the City of Homer economic relief grant  
50 programs will be unencumbered and kept ready for additional COVID-19 related expenses  
51 incurred by the City in the COVID-19 Response Fund.

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53 Section 2. Any remaining City material, service, or personnel costs identified by the City  
54 Manager as unexpended will be unencumbered and kept ready for additional COVID-19 related  
55 expenses incurred by the City in the COVID-19 Response Fund.

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57 Section 3. This ordinance is a budget ordinance only, is not permanent in nature and  
58 shall not be codified.

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60 ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, this 26 day of October, 2020.

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CITY OF HOMER

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KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

YES:

NO:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

First Reading:

Public Hearing:

Second Reading:

Effective Date:

Reviewed and approved as to form:

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Robert Dumouchel, City Manager

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Michael Gatti, City Attorney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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