

1 **CITY OF HOMER**
2 **HOMER, ALASKA**

3 City Manager/
4 Public Works Director

5 **RESOLUTION 21-028**
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7 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA,
8 ACCEPTING THE ROAD FINANCIAL PLAN AS A BLUEPRINT FOR
9 PLANNING HOMER'S TRANSPORTATION NEEDS AND DECLARING
10 IT SHOULD BE UPDATED AS PART OF THE CITY'S BUDGET CYCLE.
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12 WHEREAS, The citizens of Homer voted to establish the Homer Accelerated Road &
13 Trails Fund ("HART"), to be built from a portion of sales tax; and
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15 WHEREAS, The Homer City Council adopted the HART Policy Manual which identifies
16 criteria to use when considering whether projects are eligible for HART Funds; and
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18 WHEREAS, In mid-2020, the City Council adopted a Road Assessment Report, which
19 establishes a systematic means of evaluating and rating the physical condition of Homer's
20 roads, and
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22 WHEREAS, The Public Works Department has proposed a Road Financial Plan, which
23 shows how the HART Policy Manual and the Road Assessment Report can be used together to
24 program improvements to Homer's transportation system in an affordable and sustainable
25 manner; and
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27 WHEREAS, The Road Financial Plan describes how the condition of the road, as
28 determined using the PASER methodology, developed by the University of Wisconsin to
29 evaluate the condition of paved and gravel roads, can be used, along with socio-economic
30 factors, such as the impact of economic development and traffic circulation, to develop an
31 Overall Rating for each road; and
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33 WHEREAS, The proposed Road Financial Plan programs the use of HART monies to fix
34 "the worst first"; that is, to repair roads with the lowest Overall Rating first; and
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36 WHEREAS, The proposed Road Financial Plan shows how almost all of Homer's roads
37 can be upgraded to at least a "good" rating, within the next five years; and
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39 WHEREAS, The proposed Road Financial Plan is designed to be a living document; that
40 is, to change from year to year as road conditions change or as roads are prioritized differently;
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43 WHEREAS, The primary purpose of the proposed Road Financial Plan is to demonstrate
44 how, the HART Funds, if programmed systematically, can, over time, make substantial
45 improvements to Homer's transportation and drainage infrastructure; and
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47 WHEREAS, The proposed Road Financial Plan has been reviewed with the Homer
48 Planning Advisory Commission, Homer Parks, Art, Recreation and Culture Citizens Advisory
49 Commission and Economic Development Commission at their regularly schedule meetings
50 earlier this year, where it was enthusiastically received.
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52 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer Accepts the
53 methodology of the Road Financial Plan, as a means to guide the development of
54 transportation/drainage-related capital improvement and major maintenance projects, with
55 the proviso that this acceptance does not constitute specific appropriations for any projects,
56 which will, instead, be done as part of the capital planning effort, conducted as part of the
57 City's budget processes and declares the Road Financial Plan should be updated as part of the
58 City's budget cycle.
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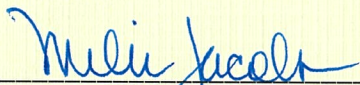
60 PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, this 12th day of April,
61 2021.
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63 CITY OF HOMER

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66 KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

67 ATTEST:

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70 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

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72 Fiscal note: N/A

