1	CITY OF HOMER
2	HOMER, ALASKA
3	City Manager
4	Public Works Director
5	Finance Director
6	RESOLUTION 23-048(S)(A)
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8	A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA,
9	ADOPTING THE 2023 AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER AND SEWER
10	UTILITY FINANCIAL AND RATE SETTING POLICIES AND UTILITY
11	FINANCIAL PLAN, VERSION 2021– 01.
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13	WHEREAS, With the passage of Resolution 21-066, the City Council adopted the Water
14	and Sewer Utility Financial and Rate Setting Policies ("Financial Policies") to guide the
15	development of water and sewer rates, reserve funds and other utility financial matters,
16	including:
17	a. Operating Reserves
18	b. Capital Reserves
19	c. Bond Reserves
20	d. Rate Stabilization Reserves
21	e. Debt Issuance and Debt Management
22	f. Balancing the Operating Budget
23	g. Establishing Rates & Fees
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25	WHEREAS, In the course of developing the FY24/25 water/sewer rates, the City Council
26	recognized the need to make certain amendments to the Financial Policies. These
27	amendments address:
28	<ul> <li>How the Utility Capital Asset Repair and Maintenance Allowance (CARMA) Fund is</li> </ul>
29	funded and administered
30	<ul> <li>How loans for larger projects can be used to manage cash flow</li> </ul>
31	<ul> <li>Defining the Fund Balance and describing how it can be used.</li> </ul>
32	WHERAS, Adopting the Policies and the Utility Financial Plan do not, by themselves,
33	establish rates for water/sewer services as establishing rates is a function of analyzing
34	expenses and revenues as part of the City Council's annual rate-setting exercise.
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35	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska, does hereby
36	adopt the 2023 Amendments to the Water and Sewer Utility Financial and Rate Setting Policies
37	and Utility Financial Plan.
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39	PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 22 <sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2023.
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50	MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK
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52	Fiscal note: N/A



CITY OF HOMER

KEN CASTNER, MAYOR