

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

3 City Manager/
4 Chief Technology Officer

5 **ORDINANCE 24-15**

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7 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA
8 AMENDING THE FY24 CAPITAL BUDGET BY ACCEPTING AND
9 APPROPRIATING A FY 2022 STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY
10 GRANT PROGRAM (SLCGP) AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000
11 FROM THE ALASKA DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND
12 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE COMPLETION OF A
13 CYBERSECURITY RISK ASSESSMENT.

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15 WHEREAS, The City of Homer recognizes the importance of cybersecurity in
16 safeguarding its digital infrastructure; and

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18 WHEREAS, The Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management
19 (DHS&EM) offers grants through the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) to
20 assist local governments with managing and reducing systemic cyber risk; and

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22 WHEREAS, The City of Homer applied for and has been awarded a FY 2022 SLCGP grant
23 in the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of contracting information security professionals to
24 conduct a comprehensive cybersecurity risk assessment; and

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26 WHEREAS, The completion of a formal cybersecurity risk assessment is crucial to
27 systematically understanding the specific threats and vulnerabilities faced by the City and
28 prioritizing what measures to employ in response to those threats.

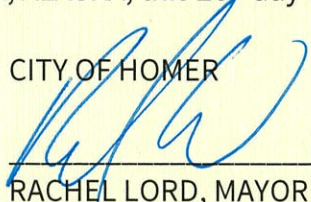
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30 NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:

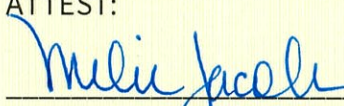
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32 Section 1. That the FY 2022 State Homeland Security & Emergency Management award of
33 \$50,000 from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program is hereby accepted and appropriated
34 as follows and that the City Manager is authorized to execute the appropriate documents:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
151-xxxx	DHS&EM FY2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Grant for a Cybersecurity Risk Assessment	\$50,000

42 Section 2. This is a budget amendment ordinance, is temporary in nature and shall not
43 be codified.

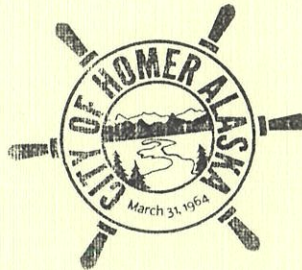
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45 ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, this 26th day of February, 2024.

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47 CITY OF HOMER
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51 RACHEL LORD, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

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53 ATTEST:
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56 MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

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58 YES: 6
59 NO: 0
60 ABSTAIN: 0
61 ABSENT: 0

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63 First Reading: 2.12.24
64 Public Hearing: 2.26.24
65 Second Reading: 2.26.24
66 Effective Date: 2.27.24





MEMORANDUM

Ordinance 24-15, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Amending the FY24 Capital Budget by Accepting and Appropriating an FY22 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant (SLCGP) Award in the Amount of \$50,000 from the Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for the Completion of a Cybersecurity Risk Assessment. City Manager/Chief Technology Officer.

Item Type: Backup Memorandum
Prepared For: Mayor and City Council
Date: January 30, 2024
From: Bill Jirsa, Chief Technology Officer
Through: Rob Dumouchel, City Manager

I am pleased to report that the City has been awarded a FY2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program award from the Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in the amount of \$50,000 to conduct a comprehensive cybersecurity risk assessment.

Technology plays an increasingly important role in municipal operations and brings great efficiency and productivity to delivering City services. At the same time, though, the proliferation of the links between physical and digital systems increases the “attack surface” available to potential adversaries working remotely around the world and increases the kinds of risks that the City of Homer must manage. Recent cyberattacks such as the breach of small water utilities in Texas and Pennsylvania demonstrate that there’s no such thing as a small town on the internet.

Performing a comprehensive cybersecurity risk assessment is an important first step to establish a strong cybersecurity program. Although local IT teams may have a grasp on many of the threats, a formal assessment by cybersecurity experts serves as a structured method for prioritizing and addressing them in a risk management framework. This assessment not only establishes a baseline for ongoing enhancements but also positions the City to potentially receive future SLCGP funds for implementing cybersecurity improvements identified in the assessment. Accepting this grant funding would contribute significantly to the development of a robust cybersecurity program at the City of Homer.

Recommendation: Accept and appropriate the FY 2022 State Homeland Security and Emergency Management SLCGP Grant in the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of contracting professional services to conduct a comprehensive Cybersecurity Risk Assessment in 2024.

**2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program
(SLCGP)**

Jurisdiction Total Allocations

Jurisdiction	Funding
Bristol Bay Borough	\$74,190.00
Native Village of Dot Lake	\$15,000.00
Fairbanks North Star Borough School District	\$91,140.00
City of Gustavus	\$12,000.00
Haines Borough	\$9,469.65
City of Homer	\$50,000.00
City and Borough of Juneau	\$75,000.00
City of Kake	\$21,500.00
Kake City School District	\$3,611.60
City of Ketchikan	\$35,000.00
Kodiak Island Borough	\$55,000.00
Lake and Peninsula Borough	\$10,000.00
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	\$97,000.00
City of North Pole	\$31,460.00
North Slope Borough School District	\$5,750.00
City of Nuiqsut	\$22,335.00
Pauloff Harbor Tribe	\$75,000.00
Petersburg City School District	\$4,140.80
City of Saint Paul	\$30,000.00
City of Sand Point	\$20,000.00
City of Seldovia	\$9,450.00
City of Seward	\$40,000.00
City of Shungnak	\$21,600.00
Municipality of Skagway	\$28,000.00
City of Soldotna	\$24,000.00
City of Tenakee Springs	\$8,850.00
City of Toksook Bay	\$11,000.00
City of Wasilla	\$35,000.00
City and Borough of Wrangell	\$50,000.00
Yakutat School District	\$3,317.60
Total Allocations	\$968,814.65