

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Clerk/
Parks Art Recreation &
Culture Advisory Commission

ORDINANCE 24-60

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA
AMENDING HOMER CITY CODE SECTION 7.16.020 OPERATING,
STOPPING OR PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN BEACH AREAS
PROHIBITED – EXCEPTIONS BY CHANGING THE TIME FRAME
ALLOWING COAL AND SAND COLLECTION ACCESS FROM MARINER
BEACH ACCESS.

WHEREAS, Historically Bishop's Beach and Mariner Park Beach have been two of
several beaches where members of the community have collected coal and sand; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 16-13 amended Title 7 to allow motor vehicles to operate from
Mariner Park to the Ocean Drive Loop seawall for the specific period time; and

WHEREAS, Open beach access that promotes usage in a safe, sustainable manner and
recognizes the importance of protecting sensitive wildlife habitat is desirable for the
community.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:

Section 1. Homer City Code Section 7.16.020 Operating, stopping or parking of motor
vehicles in beach areas prohibited - Exceptions is hereby amended as follows:

7.16.020 Operating, stopping or parking of motor vehicles in beach areas
prohibited – Exceptions.

a. Except as provided in subsections (b) through (d) of this section, no person may
operate, stop or park a motor vehicle within or upon any beach area.

b. A person may operate, stop or park a motor vehicle within and upon the beach area
east of a line extending south from the southern end of a line extending south from the
southern end of the vacated easement formally known as Shirlene Circle, and within and upon
the beach area west of Bishops Beach Park Access.

c. A person may operate, stop or park a motor vehicle within and upon the beach area
between the south end of Mariner Park beach to the east end of the seawall from ~~October 1st~~

~~through March 31st~~ **September 15th through April 15th** solely for the purpose of gathering sand and coal.

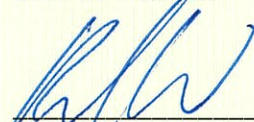
d. An owner of property immediately adjacent to a beach area may operate, stop and park a motor vehicle within or upon a beach area as is reasonably necessary to maintain the owner's property, in accordance with the terms of a permit issued for that purpose by the Chief of Police.

e. Nothing in this section permits a person to operate, stop or park a motor vehicle within or upon privately owned property in a beach area without the permission of the property owner. [Ord. 16-13 § 1, 2016; Ord. 16-05(S-2)(A-2) § 2, 2016].

Section 2. This Ordinance is of a permanent and general character and shall be included in the City Code.

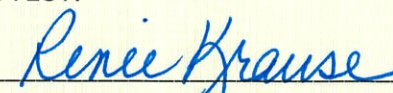
ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA this 25th day of November, 2024.

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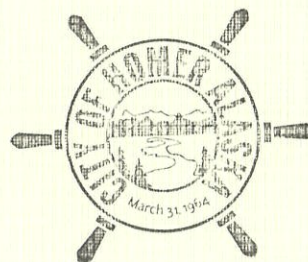


RACHEL LORD, MAYOR

ATTEST:



RENEE KRAUSE, MMC, CITY CLERK



YES: 6

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

First Reading: 11/12/24

Public Hearing: 11/25/24

Second Reading: 11/25/24

Effective Date: 11/26/24