

**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager/Port Director

**ORDINANCE 25-05**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA,  
AMENDING THE FY 2025 CAPITAL BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING  
\$24,000 FROM THE PORT RESERVES FUND TO REPLACE THE FISH  
GRINDER MOTOR AND GEARBOX.

WHEREAS, During the reconstruction of the fish grinder building, the fish grinder was removed revealing extensive corrosion and an unrepairable motor and gearbox; and

WHEREAS, The motor and gearbox need to be replaced before the spring of 2025 as the fish grinder supports local Sport and Commercial fish processing operations; and

WHEREAS, The replacement motor and gearbox from Autio, shipping through Lynden in total quoted \$20,304.62; and

WHEREAS, A moderate contingency is included in the amount of \$3,695.38 for a total appropriation of \$24,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Homer City Council hereby amends the FY25 Capital Budget by appropriating \$24,000 as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
456-0380	Fish Grinder Motor Repair	\$24,000

Section 2. This ordinance is a budget amendment only, is not of a permanent nature, and shall not be codified.

Section 3. The City Manager is authorized to negotiate and execute the appropriate documents.

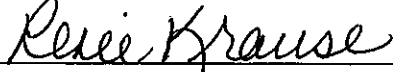
ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025.

CITY OF HOMER



RACHEL LORD, MAYOR

ATTEST:



RENEE KRAUSE, MMC, CITY CLERK

YES: 5

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

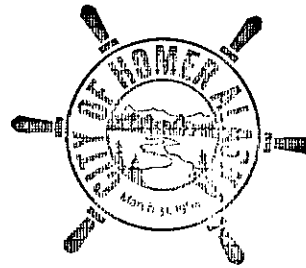
ABSENT: 1

First Reading: 1/13/25

Public Hearing: 1/27/25

Second Reading: 1/27/25

Effective Date: 1/28/25





# MEMORANDUM

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**Ordinance 25-05, An Ordinance of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Amending the FY 2025 Capital Budget by Appropriating \$24,000 from the Port Reserves Fund to Replace the Fish Grinder Motor and Gearbox.**

**Item Type:** Backup Memorandum  
**Prepared For:** Mayor Lord and City Council  
**Date:** December 20, 2024  
**From:** Bryan Hawkins, Port Director  
**Through:** Melissa Jacobsen, City Manager

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As part of the preparations for the demolition and reconstruction of the fish grinder building, the Port Maintenance staff was tasked with removing all operational machinery from the structure. The fish grinder, a large industrial sized meat grinder, is powered by a 30 horsepower electric motor through a heavy duty gear reduction box, providing the necessary torque to perform its function. The electric motor, gearbox and auto grinder were replaced with new units in 2014.

During the disassembly process, staff discovered that both the gearbox and motor had corroded to the point where repair was no longer feasible. However, the grinder is in good condition. We estimate that, without this inspection, we might have been able to get another year of operation from the components before failure occurred. However, as the equipment was being removed for the contractors, due to extensive corrosion the motor and gearbox effectively fell apart in the crew's hands and repair is now impossible. These components will need to be replaced.

Moving forward to better preserve the new motor and gearbox, staff will apply additional coats of high quality epoxy paint to protect the components before installation.

**Recommendation:**

Given that the fish grinder and outfall line are essential for supporting local Sport and Commercial fish processing operations, it is strongly recommended proceeding with the purchase of these replacement parts. This will ensure that the grind shack is fully operational in time for the spring start-up.

# CITY OF HOMER FINANCIAL SUPPLEMENT

PROJECT NAME	<u>Fish Grinder Motor and Gearbox Replacement</u>	DATE	<u>01/07/2025</u>
DEPARTMENT	<u>Port and Harbor</u>	SPONSOR	<u>City Manager/Port Director</u>
REQUESTED AMOUNT	<u>\$ 26,000</u>		

DESCRIPTION	During the reconstruction of the fish grinder building the fish grinder was removed from the site revealing extensive corrosion and an unrepairable motor and gearbox. The motor and gearbox need to be replaced before the spring of 2025 as the fish grinder supports local Sport and Commercial fish processing operations. The replacement motor and gearbox from Autio and shipping through Lynden in total quoted \$20,304.62. Port and Harbor maintenance staff will complete all work, and all costs will be charged to the Port & Harbor Enterprise Fund.
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FUNDING SOURCE(S)	OPERATING	GF CARMA	GF FLEET CARMA	PORT RESERVES	WATER CARMA
	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
	HAWSP	HART-ROADS	HART-TRAILS	PORT FLEET RESERVES	SEWER CARMA
	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

FUNDING SOURCE 1: PORT RESERVES		FUNDING SOURCE 2:		FUNDING SOURCE 3:	
Current Balance	<u>\$ 1,210,631</u>	Current Balance	<u>          </u>	Current Balance	<u>          </u>
Encumbered	<u>\$ 648,062</u>	Encumbered	<u>          </u>	Encumbered	<u>          </u>
Requested Amount	<u>\$ 26,000</u>	Requested Amount	<u>          </u>	Requested Amount	<u>          </u>
Other Items on Current Agenda	<u>\$ 10,393</u>	Other Items on Current Agenda	<u>          </u>	Other Items on Current Agenda	<u>          </u>
Remaining Balance	<u>\$ 526,176</u>	Remaining Balance	<u>          </u>	Remaining Balance	<u>          </u>
FUNDING SOURCE 4:		FUNDING SOURCE 5:		FUNDING SOURCE 6:	
Current Balance	<u>          </u>	Current Balance	<u>          </u>	Current Balance	<u>          </u>
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