

**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager/  
City Engineer

**RESOLUTION 25-022**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA  
AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A TASK ORDER TO RESPEC  
COMPANY, LLC., IN THE NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$71,000  
FOR DESIGN OF THE HIGHLAND DRIVE CULVERT REPLACEMENT  
PROJECT AND AUTHORIZES THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE  
AND EXECUTE THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS, City Council awarded term contracts to multiple engineering companies at  
the regular meeting on May 9, 2022 via Resolution 22-038; and

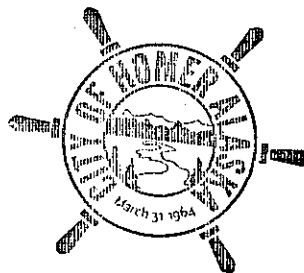
WHEREAS, Staff solicited scope and fee proposals from three current term contract  
holders and only received a valid proposal from RESPEC Company, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends awarding the design of the Highland Drive Culvert  
Replacement Project to RESPEC Company, LLC, a local engineering firm with familiarity of the  
scope of services for the project; and

WHEREAS, This Resolution is contingent upon City Council adopting Ordinance 25-25  
to appropriate the \$71,000 to this project from the Homer Accelerated Roads and Trail  
Program (HART) Roads fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska hereby  
authorizes issuance of a Task Order to RESPEC Company, LLC., in the Not-To-Exceed amount  
of \$71,000 for design of the Highland Drive Culvert Replacement Project and further authorizes  
the City Manager to negotiate and execute the appropriate documents.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025.



CITY OF HOMER

RACHEL LORD, MAYOR

ATTEST:

*Renee Krause*  
RENEE KRAUSE, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal note: Ordinance 25-25 (pending) appropriates \$71,000 from HART Roads.



## MEMORANDUM

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**Resolution 25-022, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer Alaska Authorizing the Issuance of a Task Order to RESPEC Company, LLC in the Not to Exceed Amount of \$71,000 for Design of the Highland Drive Culvert Replacement Project and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Manager/City Engineer.**

**Item Type:** Backup Memorandum  
**Prepared For:** City Council  
**Date:** March 5, 2025  
**From:** Leon Galbraith, P.E., City Engineer  
**Through:** Melissa Jacobsen, City Manager

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The purpose of this Memorandum is to recommend that Public Works proceed with award of a Task Order to RESPEC Company, LLC under the 2022-2025 City engineering term contract to provide a biddable design for the Highland Drive Culvert Replacement Project.

Through adoption of Ordinance 25-25, the FY25 Capital Budget includes \$71,000 from the HART Roads Fund to complete this design.

The winter of 2024/2025 has been unusually warm and wet, resulting in numerous slope instabilities around the City. Highland Drive at the crossing with Bidarki Creek was observed to have major slope instability resulting in sloughing soils continuously eroding, sloughing and encroaching upon the road. It is estimated that the Bidarki Creek culvert on Highland Drive is at least 30-years old and is beyond its expected life. The sloughed soils are nearly blocking the culvert on the downstream side and the culvert replacement and road reconstruction is complicated and requires detailed design plans.

**Recommendation:**

That the City Council review and approve the Resolution 25-022 to award a Task Order to RESPEC Company, LLC in the Not to Exceed amount of \$71,000 for engineering design services for the Highland Drive Culvert Replacement Project.