1 CITY OF HOMER 2 **HOMER, ALASKA** Erickson 3 4 **RESOLUTION 25-049** 5 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA 6 7 ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER NON-ENDOWED FIELD OF INTEREST FUND WITH THE HOMER 8 FOUNDATION, OUTLINING THE PROCESS FOR OVERSIGHT OF 9 THOSE FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO 10 NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS. 11 12 WHEREAS, The Homer City Council wishes to provide a mechanism whereby members 13 of the general public and other grantors may provide financial assistance to support the 14 development of a Community Recreation Center; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Building a new Community Recreation Center is a City Council and 17 community priority; and 18 19 WHEREAS, Community Recreation Center Non-Endowed Field of Interest Fund will 20 provide a mechanism whereby members of the general public or other grantors may provide 21 financial assistance to support the creation of a Community Recreation Center; and 22 23 WHEREAS, A non-endowed fund is intended to be a long term fund to meet the 24 immediate and ongoing needs of the community; and 25 26 27 WHEREAS, The Homer Foundation manages endowment funds on behalf of individuals and organizations, including the City of Homer; and 28 29 30 WHEREAS, It is appropriate to have guidelines for the expenditure of donor funds so 31 that donors are encouraged to donate to the fund and have some assurances their intent will 32 be followed. 33 34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Homer, establishes a Community 35 Recreation Center Non-Endowed Field of Interest Fund through the Homer Foundation and authorizes the City Manager to negotiate and execute the appropriate documents. 36 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council will direct on expenditures from the 38 39 Community Recreation Center Non-Endowed Field of Interest Fund Revenue according to the following guidelines: 40 a. Infrastructure and site preparation, including engineering and design 41 b. Facility engineering and design 42 c. Community Recreation Center construction 43

44	d.	Other needs deemed relevant by Council specific to the completion of a Community
45		Recreation Center.
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47		PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 12th day of May, 2025.
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61	Fiscal	note: \$10,000 minimum funding amount



Resolution 25-049, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska, Establishing a Community Recreation Building Non-Endowed Field of Interest Fund with the Homer Foundation and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. Erickson.

Item Type:

Backup Memorandum

Prepared For:

Mayor Lord and City Council

Date:

May 12, 2025

From:

Shelly Erickson, Councilmember

As the City moves forward with the Community Recreation Center (REC Center) project, it is important to start looking at the funding for the project. It is very important that the City provides the community, as a whole, the ability to donate to the REC Center project, and rally around this great cause. Creating the fund will provide the Community with event fundraising and personal donations opportunities.

The Homer Foundation offers a program where the community, as individuals and organizations, can deposit money for this project. The program allows for tax deductible donations, along with fund raisers, and potential fund pledge drives (which could be billed and collected through the foundation). These funds would be used only for the hard assets of the building and sports equipment.

The City would need to deposit a minimum of \$10,000 for the initial creation of the fund, and then the community could deposit their donations through the Foundation. This is a non-endowed fund, meaning that the REC Center project would have access to all of the money. It will be managed by the Foundation under the guidelines established.

While the City does not know what the costs for the building and equipment will be, a starting goal of \$3 million dollars would be great.

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution 25-049.