

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager
Community Development

RESOLUTION 26-013

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH THE KACHEMAK BAY NATIONAL ESTUARINE RESEARCH RESERVE, ALASKA CENTER FOR CONSERVATION SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE, AS A SUBAWARD RECIPIENT IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$143,309 TO COMPLETE THE TASKS OUTLINED IN RELATION TO THE PROJECT TITLED ACQUIRING LAND TO FOSTER COMMUNITY RESILIENCE IN HOMER, ALASKA BRIDGE CREEK WATERSHED AS OUTLINED IN ORDINANCE 25-62 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS, Council Adopted Resolution 24-077 supporting a partnership between the City, Kachemak Heritage Land Trust (KHLT) and the University of Alaska Kachemak Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve to submit a grant application to NOAA for the funding to acquire and protect lands within the Bridge Creek Watershed Protection District; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer is the recipient of a \$1,500,000 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) grant, authorized and appropriated via Ordinance 25-62; and

WHEREAS, The Kachemak Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, part of the Alaska Center for Conservation Science, University of Alaska, Anchorage (KBNERR) is a subaward recipient of the federal grant and has specialized knowledge and skills with weather stations and education; and

WHEREAS, The grant award from NOAA specifically includes KBNERR as a subawardee; and

WHEREAS, KBNERR's will plan and facilitate site-based trainings for Alaska's Natural Resource Conservation Service staff and Homer Soil & Water Conservation District staff, with a focus on the lower Kenai Peninsula region; and

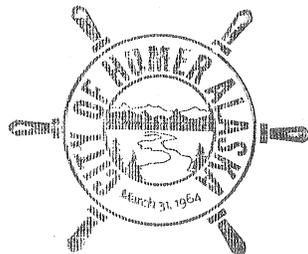
WHEREAS, Education and outreach materials will be curated to host a freshwater science discovery lab that will incorporate KBNERR and University of South Florida's 20 years

43 of watershed ecology research, the role of groundwater in protecting fish habitat and
44 supplying people with drinking water, including water budget and forecasting information;
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47 WHEREAS, KBNERR will work with the City of Homer to order and install a new
48 Meteorological Station on City of Homer property that will address a data gap in required
49 precipitation data to create a more accurate water budget and forecasting for the City of
50 Homer Reservoir.
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52 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Homer City Council hereby authorizes the
53 issuance of a contract to the KBNERR in the Not to Exceed amount of \$143,309 and the City
54 Manager is authorized to negotiate and execute the appropriate documents.
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58 ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA, this this 9th day of February, 2026.
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CITY OF HOMER

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SHELLY ERICKSON, MAYOR PRO TEM

65 ATTEST:

66 *Amy Woodruff*
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68 AMY WOODRUFF CITY CLERK
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70 Fiscal Note: Ordinance 25-62 appropriated \$1,500,000 from a NOAA Grant; \$1,200,000 remains.