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**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Council/  
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**ORDINANCE 26-23**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA  
SUBMITTING A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE VOTERS AT THE  
REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026,  
REGARDING THE CONTINUATION OF THE HOMER ACCELERATED  
ROADS AND TRAILS (HART) PROGRAM AND REAUTHORIZING THE  
THREE-FOURTHS PERCENT (3/4%) SALES TAX LEVY FOR UP TO  
TWENTY ADDITIONAL YEARS.

WHEREAS, The HART Program (the “Program” or the HART Program”) and the three-  
fourths percent (¾%) sales tax levy in support of the Program was first approved by voters in  
October 1987;

WHEREAS, The general intent of the Program, as approved by voters of the City of  
Homer, Alaska (the “City”) in 1987, was to provide for the reconstruction of local substandard  
roads and/or upgrading existing City roads, thereby reducing maintenance costs, improving  
access, increasing property values, and improving quality of life within the City; and

WHEREAS, The program was renewed for an additional 20 years and amended to  
include construction of new local roads and construction of new local trails by voters in  
October 2006; and

WHEREAS, The Program was amended by City voters in 2017 to permit Program funds  
to be used as a dedicated funding source for road and trail construction, improvement and  
maintenance as outlined in Ordinance 17-10(S)(A) thereby establishing these activities as  
essential; and

WHEREAS, Funding Road and trail maintenance, construction and improvement  
through the Program has freed up general funds for other essential City services and the City  
has continued to offer the special assessment district process as a mechanism for the  
improvement of local roads; and

WHEREAS, The Program is set to expire in 2027 and reauthorization requires approval  
by the voters of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HOMER ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Homer City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the community

44 to ask the voters if the Homer Accelerated Road and Trails (HART) Program and the three-  
45 fourths percent (¾%) sales tax levy currently dedicated to this purpose should be reauthorized  
46 and extended for up to twenty additional years.

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48 Section 2. The City shall submit the following proposition to the qualified voters of the  
49 City at the 2026 Regular Municipal Election. The proposition must receive an affirmative vote  
50 from a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question to be approved.

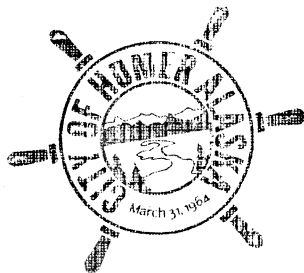
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52 PROPOSITION NO. 1

53 Shall the City of Homer, Alaska continue to provide a funding source for street reconstruction  
54 improvements, construction of new local roads and new local trails, and maintenance of local  
55 roads and trails in accordance with the City of Homer Accelerated Roads and Trails (HART)  
56 Program by continuing after December 31, 2027 to levy a three-fourths percent (¾%) sales tax  
57 for up to twenty additional years?

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59 YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

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61 Section 3. This ordinance is not of a permanent and general nature and shall not be  
62 codified.

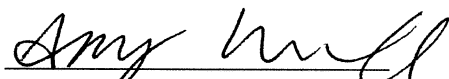
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64 ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.



CITY OF HOMER

  
RACHEL LORD, MAYOR

73 ATTEST:

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76 AMY WOODRUFF, CITY CLERK

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78 YES: 5

79 NO: 0

80 ABSTAIN: 0

81 ABSENT: 1

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83 First Reading: April 27, 2026

84 Public Hearing: May 11, 2026

85 Second Reading: May 11, 2026

86 Effective Date: May 12, 2026