



# AGENDA

## Parks, Art, Recreation & Culture Advisory Commission Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 5:30 PM

City Hall Cowles Council Chambers In-Person & Via Zoom Webinar

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### Homer City Hall

491 E. Pioneer Avenue  
Homer, Alaska 99603  
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**1. CALL TO ORDER, 5:30 P.M.**

**2. AGENDA APPROVAL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)**

**4. RECONSIDERATION**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA** (Items listed below are considered routine and non-controversial by the Commission and are approved in one motion. If a separate discussion is desired on an item, a Commissioner may request that item be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda under New Business.)

5.A. Unapproved Minutes

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**6. VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS (10 minute time limit)**

6.A. Homer Dog Park, Anna Stoecklin

[Dog Park Homer Plan](#)

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[Dog Park Support Materials - Emails w Connie Hocker](#)

[Soldotna ACO Comments as shared by Anna Stoecklin](#)

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**7. STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS ( 5 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)**

7.A. Arts & Culture Report - Scott Bartlett, Homer Council on the Arts

7.B. Community Recreation Report

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7.C. Staff Report - Mike Illg, Recreation Manager

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7.D. Public Works Report - Jan Keiser, Public Works Director



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# Memorandum

## Agenda Changes/Supplemental Packet

TO: PARKS, ART, RECREATION & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMISSION  
FROM: RENEE KRAUSE, DEPUTY CITY CLERK II  
DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2023  
SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL

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### **6. VISITORS/PRESENTATIONS**

6. A. Homer Dog Park, Anna Stoecklin

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| Updated Petition        | <b>pg 2</b>  |
| Public Comment Received | <b>pg 15</b> |

### **7. STAFF & COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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| 7. C. Resolution 23-011 | <b>pg 16</b> |
| Resolution 23-012       | <b>pg 18</b> |
| Resolution 23-013       | <b>pg 20</b> |
| Resolution 23-014       | <b>pg 22</b> |

### **11. INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS**

|                                       |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| 11. A. Action Item Report PARC 23-007 | <b>pg 24</b> |
| Draft Banner Designs                  |              |



This petition has collected  
142 signatures  
using the online tools at [www.ipetitions.com](http://www.ipetitions.com)

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# Dog Park for Homer, Alaska

## About this petition

We, the undersigned residents of Homer and nearby surrounding areas, who are both dog owners and non-dog owners alike, petition for the City of Homer's support in development of a dog park for community members and their dogs. We express widespread community desire to be able to take dogs to a safe fenced area to socialize and exercise.

## Signatures

1. Name: Anna Stoecklin on 2022-10-24 00:32:59  
Comments:  

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2. Name: Taylor on 2022-10-24 00:41:31  
Comments:  

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3. Name: MiLinda Smith on 2022-10-24 00:47:40  
Comments: A dog park is one of the only thing Homer is missing! We are all dog lovers. It would be great to have a place for us all to come together!  

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4. Name: Carrie Parvin on 2022-10-24 00:50:06  
Comments: New to Homer, I have 3 dogs! Would love a dog park!  

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5. Name: Susan D on 2022-10-24 00:58:08  
Comments:  

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6. Name: Jaymi Lawrence on 2022-10-24 01:14:12  
Comments: Great idea! There is a great location next to the bottom field at Karen horniday, with a trail on Fairview and wright Streets. Or at the Herc building. Maybe Jack Gist fields?  

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7. Name: Sarah G on 2022-10-24 01:27:31  
Comments:  

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8. Name: Jammie on 2022-10-24 01:46:55  
Comments:  

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9. Name: Deb Evensen on 2022-10-24 03:16:44  
Comments:  

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10. Name: maya magee on 2022-10-24 03:30:05  
Comments:  

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11. Name: John Draves on 2022-10-24 03:41:11  
Comments:  

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12. Name: Tammy Anderson on 2022-10-24 05:43:06  
Comments:  

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13. Name: Brittany Chase on 2022-10-24 05:54:15  
Comments:

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| 14. | Name: Annette Erickson  | on 2022-10-24 07:37:47 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 15. | Name: Julian Massey     | on 2022-10-24 15:08:52 | Comments: For man's best friend, Sure                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 16. | Name: Elizabeth Black   | on 2022-10-24 19:24:29 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 17. | Name: Karen Christopher | on 2022-10-24 20:38:54 | Comments: Ive got an acre.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 18. | Name: Shane Blumentritt | on 2022-10-25 00:12:46 | Comments: Let er rip                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 19. | Name: Evelyn Seguela    | on 2022-10-25 04:09:17 | Comments: This will be loads of work to do it right, i.e. LOTS of Gravel/Sand so it doesn't turn into a mud pit. Thanks for starting it!~                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 20. | Name: Ash-Lee Waddell   | on 2022-10-25 17:35:13 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 21. | Name: Olivia Vincent    | on 2022-10-25 20:07:51 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 22. | Name: Susan Braund      | on 2022-10-26 03:52:16 | Comments: Definite need!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 23. | Name: Emily Sloth       | on 2022-10-26 23:43:44 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 24. | Name: Maria Reutov      | on 2022-10-27 04:25:23 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 25. | Name: Kole Requena      | on 2022-10-27 13:07:20 | Comments: We need a dog park. My dog is well behaved but never sees other dogs so when he does he won't listen and is very over bearing best way put. If they had one not only could he get exercise cause we don't have a yard for him to run in and we work full time so it's hard to take for walks all the time. Yes to this for sure |
| 26. | Name: Zack Gardenfors   | on 2022-10-28 07:49:57 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

Comments:

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27. Name: Mattea Allen on 2022-10-30 23:22:03  
Comments:
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28. Name: Kristin Metz on 2022-10-30 23:43:00  
Comments:
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29. Name: Katy on 2022-11-04 23:41:28  
Comments:
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30. Name: Amanda on 2022-11-05 02:42:51  
Comments:
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31. Name: Melissa Carlin on 2022-11-12 03:08:13  
Comments:
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32. Name: Alice Rich on 2022-11-12 03:30:24  
Comments: Yes! All for a dog park!!!
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33. Name: April Skorski on 2022-11-12 03:31:27  
Comments:
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34. Name: Bonnie Powell on 2022-11-12 04:11:52  
Comments:
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35. Name: Mckenna Carlin on 2022-11-12 04:57:50  
Comments:
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36. Name: Hanh Stephens on 2022-11-12 05:57:01  
Comments:
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37. Name: Melanie Dufour on 2022-11-12 06:02:52  
Comments:
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38. Name: Lisa Larsen on 2022-11-12 06:17:00  
Comments: Please yes for the dog park!!! It is so very much needed!
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39. Name: Gaylynn Mertz on 2022-11-12 06:59:36  
Comments:
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40. Name: Ken Goldman on 2022-11-12 18:17:20

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41. Name: Kathryn Mulder on 2022-11-12 20:16:17  
Comments:
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42. Name: Tirzah Hardy on 2022-11-13 01:16:25  
Comments:
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43. Name: Diane Briggs on 2022-11-13 04:19:54  
Comments: Much needed!!!
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44. Name: Lotscher-Franciscone Sonja on 2022-11-13 07:35:09  
Comments:
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45. Name: Madeline Chandler on 2022-11-13 12:42:59  
Comments:
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46. Name: Tara Hagge on 2022-11-13 16:26:55  
Comments:
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47. Name: Carrie Oats on 2022-11-15 19:24:29  
Comments:
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48. Name: Deziree Lambert on 2022-12-01 08:46:39  
Comments:
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49. Name: Cody Simmerman on 2022-12-02 04:14:19  
Comments:
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50. Name: Hutt Diana on 2022-12-02 18:29:24  
Comments:
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51. Name: Arwen Weisser on 2022-12-02 18:56:53  
Comments:
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52. Name: Sierra Willard on 2022-12-02 18:58:00  
Comments:
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53. Name: Kasey Aderhold on 2022-12-02 19:01:40  
Comments:
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54. Name: Shawn McKenna on 2022-12-02 19:02:33

Comments: This would be a great treat for the neighborhood

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55. Name: Ben on 2022-12-02 19:03:46  
Comments:

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56. Name: Mckinzie Needham on 2022-12-02 19:19:00  
Comments:

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57. Name: Paula E Gallagher on 2022-12-02 19:20:10  
Comments:

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58. Name: Ciara on 2022-12-02 19:20:32  
Comments:

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59. Name: Jackie DeLaCruz on 2022-12-02 19:48:05  
Comments:

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60. Name: Anna Lewald on 2022-12-02 19:51:16  
Comments:

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61. Name: Christopher Dylan Lewald on 2022-12-02 19:52:26  
Comments:

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62. Name: Rose Crook on 2022-12-02 20:00:21  
Comments: Pro dog park!!!!

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63. Name: Kay Hoover on 2022-12-02 20:04:48  
Comments: As a dog owner this would be wonderful if a dog park is created, for safe contained dog play

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64. Name: Hannah Furlong on 2022-12-02 20:11:48  
Comments: A dog park is always a great idea in any community- especially rural ones. Not everyone is able to go onto trails or up mountains to take their doggos for runs!

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65. Name: Jacqueline Burke on 2022-12-02 20:25:45  
Comments:

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66. Name: Autumn Carlson on 2022-12-02 20:26:36  
Comments:

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67. Name: Denise S Hansen on 2022-12-02 20:30:08  
Comments: Dogs needs a responsible, monitored, safe and fun place to play. Too many

attacks on the beach by dogs because of irresponsible parents, no recall, no manners. We are a dog friendly town yet we don't provide the space they need to enjoy themselves safely.

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68. Name: Laurie Gentle on 2022-12-02 20:30:29  
Comments: Please!  
This is so needed!!!

THANKS

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69. Name: Matt Freund on 2022-12-02 20:35:37  
Comments:

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70. Name: Jenny Wallace on 2022-12-02 20:40:22  
Comments:

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71. Name: Storm Hansen on 2022-12-02 20:47:37  
Comments:

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72. Name: Sharleen VonNormann on 2022-12-02 20:48:10  
Comments:

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73. Name: Dana Clendenen on 2022-12-02 20:53:33  
Comments:

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74. Name: Leeann Serio on 2022-12-02 20:54:16  
Comments:

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75. Name: Stephanie McKenna on 2022-12-02 21:03:59  
Comments:

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76. Name: Ciara Cordes on 2022-12-02 21:14:01  
Comments:

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77. Name: David nelson on 2022-12-02 21:14:40  
Comments: Crazy that this dog town doesn't have a park. With the amount of people complaining of dogs on beaches and trails.

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78. Name: Kathy Madej on 2022-12-02 21:25:18  
Comments:

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79. Name: Ramona Stowe on 2022-12-02 21:26:05  
Comments: That would be great!

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80. Name: Kelley Estep on 2022-12-02 22:07:55  
Comments: We have parks for children. Why not for dogs?
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81. Name: Jason on 2022-12-02 22:08:13  
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82. Name: Lauren Seaton on 2022-12-02 22:22:13  
Comments:
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83. Name: Ann Franklin on 2022-12-02 22:24:59  
Comments:
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84. Name: Shelly Bishop on 2022-12-02 22:25:48  
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85. Name: Maya Booth on 2022-12-02 22:37:49  
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86. Name: Cody Booth on 2022-12-02 22:38:37  
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87. Name: Kristin Worman on 2022-12-02 22:51:29  
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88. Name: Alison R on 2022-12-02 23:03:57  
Comments:
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89. Name: Jill Gunnerson on 2022-12-02 23:15:16  
Comments:
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90. Name: Jennifer Bates on 2022-12-02 23:34:12  
Comments: Please help us getca decent park for our dogs. Thank you. Jennifer Bates
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91. Name: Jordan on 2022-12-02 23:58:08  
Comments:
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92. Name: Nicole Foley on 2022-12-03 00:52:04  
Comments: Yes!! We would love a dog park
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93. Name: Eric Brinegar on 2022-12-03 01:13:49  
Comments:

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94. Name: Amber Shadley on 2022-12-03 01:23:58  
Comments:
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95. Name: Linda Robinson on 2022-12-03 01:37:24  
Comments: Please!! Soldotna has a great one - homer should too. I'll help
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96. Name: Ken Landfield on 2022-12-03 01:46:09  
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100. Name: Kristine Sutherland on 2022-12-03 02:24:19  
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101. Name: Christie Hill on 2022-12-03 03:00:45  
Comments:
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102. Name: Alex borys on 2022-12-03 03:28:19  
Comments: Please, Homer needs a dog park!!
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103. Name: Stacey Needham on 2022-12-03 07:14:31  
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104. Name: Emily Ault on 2022-12-03 07:31:39  
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105. Name: Jennie Sellers on 2022-12-03 08:00:30  
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106. Name: Zoe Oakley on 2022-12-03 08:17:04  
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107. Name: Andrea Konik on 2022-12-03 09:36:17  
Comments:

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| 108. | Name: Maura Jones         | on 2022-12-03 09:59:21 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 109. | Name: Rachael Raderman    | on 2022-12-03 12:13:08 | Comments: Definitely a need here in Homer!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 110. | Name: Laura Strand        | on 2022-12-03 12:48:06 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 111. | Name: Jen Hankins         | on 2022-12-03 14:41:30 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 112. | Name: Beth Hambrick       | on 2022-12-03 16:19:39 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 113. | Name: Barb Kaun           | on 2022-12-03 16:44:56 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 114. | Name: Sean                | on 2022-12-03 16:45:02 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 115. | Name: Serena              | on 2022-12-03 17:18:27 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 116. | Name: Anna Torzillo       | on 2022-12-03 22:34:10 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 117. | Name: Kelly Griebel       | on 2022-12-04 21:55:04 | Comments: We have a dog park in Soldotna and a newer one in Kenai. What a great way to get your dogs the exercise and socialization they need in a protected environment. This may also help people to adopt dogs when previously they didn't because they had no fenced yard. |
| 118. | Name: Maria               | on 2022-12-04 22:01:02 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 119. | Name: Shaylee Blumentritt | on 2022-12-04 22:46:05 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 120. | Name: Katlyn Oberholtzer  | on 2022-12-05 00:43:23 | Comments:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| 121. | Name: Linda Stephenson | on 2022-12-05 05:24:18 | Comments:                                           |
| 122. | Name: Alexa Johnson    | on 2022-12-05 06:22:27 | Comments:                                           |
| 123. | Name: Robin McAllistar | on 2022-12-05 20:10:36 | Comments:                                           |
| 124. | Name: Maria SantaLucia | on 2022-12-17 16:35:01 | Comments:                                           |
| 125. | Name: Dan Caryk        | on 2022-12-17 22:19:35 | Comments:                                           |
| 126. | Name: Paul Allan       | on 2023-02-05 00:01:08 | Comments:                                           |
| 127. | Name: Carol Swartz     | on 2023-02-05 06:51:11 | Comments:                                           |
| 128. | Name: Mary Lou Kelsey  | on 2023-02-06 17:16:40 | Comments: I support a local dog park in Homer area. |
| 129. | Name: Kary Adkins      | on 2023-02-09 23:46:09 | Comments:                                           |
| 130. | Name: Valerie Buss     | on 2023-02-09 23:49:05 | Comments:                                           |
| 131. | Name: Alfred Agree     | on 2023-02-10 00:15:29 | Comments: We need a dog park ! ARF ARF !            |
| 132. | Name: Emily Price      | on 2023-02-10 03:58:28 | Comments:                                           |
| 133. | Name: Sarah Bolton     | on 2023-02-10 04:10:40 | Comments:                                           |
| 134. | Name: KC               | on 2023-02-10 05:02:26 | Comments: Supporters here!                          |

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| 135. | Name: Kenneth Bryant | on 2023-02-10 14:08:03 | Comments: |
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| 136. | Name: Tim Fulton | on 2023-02-10 19:25:04 | Comments: |
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| 137. | Name: Jak Wilmot | on 2023-02-10 19:26:21 | Comments: |
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| 138. | Name: Cody Krohn | on 2023-02-10 20:59:17 | Comments: |
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| 139. | Name: K Vela | on 2023-02-11 06:44:45 | Comments: |
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| 140. | Name: Jahn timer Triplet | on 2023-02-11 17:30:36 | Comments: |
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| 141. | Name: Dawn Murphy | on 2023-02-12 02:50:10 | Comments: As a dog mom who recently moved to Homer from Florida I'm in 100% support of having a dog park! It's the ONLY thing my husky and I miss about Florida! |
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| 142. | Name: Siena | on 2023-02-13 00:47:06 | Comments: |
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# 3 Friends Dog Park

February 15, 2023

RE: 3Friends Dog Park Community Impact Statement.

I would like to thank you all for being here tonight and offering an opportunity to share with you our experience and the community impact the addition of 3Friends dog park has brought to our community. I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Connie Hocker, I am the organizer and coordinator that helped create the Kenai Peninsula's first off leash Dog Park. I've lived on the Kenai Peninsula in Soldotna since 1985. I was employed in the banking industry until 1998, then went to the Kenai Peninsula borough as an appraiser and retired in 2012. During those years, I purchased multifamily properties and homes in town Soldotna. I watched as our community's needs changed as it grew. Along with becoming a landlord, there came the challenges in my senior buildings, especially regarding pets. Many of my senior tenants were unable to exercise their emotional support or service pet or to allow them be a dog for just a little while. I knew there was an extreme need in the community to have a safe, secure place to socialize and create good canine citizens.

3friendsdogpark was built in 2017 with organization, determination and community and City of Soldotna support. Our local businesses had an opportunity to be a part of this project and embraced it. Since the park has been built, the impact has been increasingly rewarding to our community and our visitors. The overall average dog ownership in the US is 54%. Realtors use the dog park in their ads as a benefit of home ownership in our area. Pet related businesses have seen an increase in traffic for pet supplies. The park through its fundraisers and events in the park supports spay/neuter clinics and the Kenai Peninsula animal lovers KPAL rescue. Folks are more compelled to adopt knowing they have a dog park and a community of dog owners that frequent the park and offer support. Pet sitting and puppy/ dog obedience businesses have expanded due to the growing need for those services. You ask, are there dog fights? Of course there are situations that arise within the park. Every park in the system has its challenges. The community will have growing pains and learn together to address them and utilize the park in the manner it is intended. The benefits will outweigh the occasional situation or conflict. Don't let this deter you from the opportunity of adding a dog park in Homer. Your community, your visitors and your businesses will embrace it and take Stewardship.

You each have an opportunity to do something amazing here that will benefit your community in many ways for years to come. Homer is spectacular and what a beautiful addition a dog park would be.

I encourage you to join us in Soldotna, Kenai (in process) and Seward (land dedicated) by adding a dog park in Homer.

I appreciate your time tonight and look forward to following your progress on this issue.

Thank you

Connie Hocker, Organizer

3Friendsdogpark

**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager

**RESOLUTION 23-011**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA IN  
SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF HOMER'S APPLICATION TO THE STATE  
OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC  
FACILITIES (AK DOT&PF) COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION  
PROGRAM (CTP) FOR MAIN STREET REHABILITATION AND  
COMMITTING LOCAL MATCH FUNDS.

WHEREAS, The City of Homer strives to provide and improve city-operated facilities and services to meet the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, The southern section of Main Street (from Pioneer Avenue to Ohlson Lane) is a busy mix-used major collector street that supports general business and residential traffic and leads to trails systems and one of the City's most popular recreation areas, Bishops Beach; and

WHEREAS, The road and pavement condition has deteriorated over the past several years due to inadequate storm drain system which allows water to infiltrate the road bed and adversely impact the structural integrity of Main Street, particularly during freeze/thaw cycles; and

WHEREAS, Curb, gutter and sidewalks are missing on this southern portion of Main Street causing pedestrian to walk on the narrow shoulder of the road; and

WHEREAS, Drainage ditches on either side of the road does not allow much degree of separation or an easy way for pedestrians to escape a collision with a passing motorist, a situation compounded in the winter months by snow and ice build-up on the sides of the road after plowing; and

WHEREAS, The Main Street Rehabilitation project and Sidewalk Facilities on Main Street South have long been in the City of Homer's Capital Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, Improving Homer's non-motorized transportation network is one of Homer City Council's high priority projects, a priority shared by the community as evidenced by public comment at City Council meetings and at many community non-motorized transportation planning events; and

WHEREAS, AK DOT&PF is making design and construction funding for road surface projects available through the 2023-2025 CTP competitive grant program; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer is participating as an eligible project sponsor in the ADOT&PF CTP; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer submitted a Notice of Intent to Apply to CTP in support of the Main Street Rehabilitation project; and

WHEREAS, After reviewing the Notice of Intent to Apply, the AK DOT&PF invited the City of Homer to submit a full CTP application for the Main Street Rehabilitation project; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer acknowledges availability of the required match of no less than 9.03%; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer is amenable to accepting ownership/maintenance responsibility for the State-owned section of Main Street (between Pioneer Avenue and the Sterling Highway) after it has been rehabilitated; and

WHEREAS, The CTP application requires a Resolution of support and commitment to matching funds from the governing body.

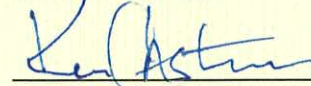
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Homer City Council supports the Main Street Rehabilitation project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Homer City Council authorizes the City Manager to prepare and submit a 2023-2025 CTP grant application for the Main Street Rehabilitation project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Homer City Council expresses its commitment of no less than 9.03% local grant matching funds.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023.

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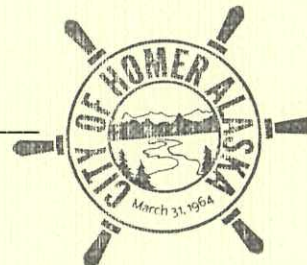


KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK



Fiscal Note: N/A

**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager

**RESOLUTION 23-012**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA  
EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE REALIZING EQUITABLE,  
ACCESSIBLE CONNECTIVITY IN HOMER (REACH) PROJECT AND  
ENDORING THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE FY23 REBUILDING  
AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY  
(RAISE) FOR REACH PLANNING AND DESIGN FUNDS.

WHEREAS, The City of Homer strives to provide and improve city-operated facilities and services to meet the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, Homer's non-motorized transportation facilities are disconnected, or missing sections all together, which is an accessibility barrier and creates safety hazards for both motorists and pedestrians where pedestrian use of roadways is necessary; and

WHEREAS, Comprehensively connecting Homer's non-motorized transportation network is one of City Council's high priority projects, a priority shared by the community as evidenced by consistent public comment at City Council meetings, at many community non-motorized transportation planning events, and by the large number of support letters offered by the community for the REACH project; and

WHEREAS, The REACH project plans and designs a comprehensive, connected network of accessible sidewalks, trails and bikeways to enable residents and visitors to make safe, non-motorized trips within the City of Homer; and

WHEREAS, REACH's scope addresses many non-motorized transportation facilities that have long been included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, REACH significantly improves equitable access for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Federal RAISE funding is an essential catalyst to bring the REACH project to construction ready status.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska hereby expresses its support for the REACH project and strongly endorses the City's application to the FY23 RAISE program for planning and design funding assistance.

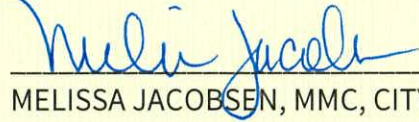
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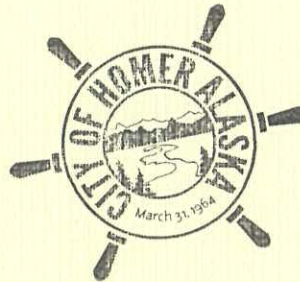
KEN CASTNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal note: N/A



**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager

**RESOLUTION 23-013**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF HOMER'S APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES (AKDOT&PF) TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) FOR THE HOMER ALL AGES AND ABILITIES PEDESTRIAN PATH (HAPP) AND COMMITTING LOCAL MATCH FUNDS.

WHEREAS, The City of Homer strives to provide and improve city-operated facilities and services to meet the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, Critical sidewalk facilities in Homer's central residential and business district are disconnected and missing key sections, which creates an accessibility barrier and safety hazards for both motorists and pedestrians where sidewalks end and pedestrian use of roadways is necessary; and

WHEREAS, HAPP fills gaps in Homer's non-motorized pathways to address these safety issues and provide equitable, safe and low-stress pedestrian facilities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Improving Homer's non-motorized transportation network is one of Homer City Council's high priority projects, a priority shared by the community as evidenced by public comment at City Council meetings and at many community non-motorized transportation planning events; and

WHEREAS, HAPP is included in the City of Homer's Capital Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, AK DOT&PF is making design and construction funding for sidewalks available through the 2023-2025 TAP competitive grant program; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer is participating as an eligible project sponsor in the ADOT&PF TAP; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer submitted a Notice of Intent to Apply to TAP in support of the HAPP project; and

WHEREAS, After reviewing the Notice of Intent to Apply, the AK DOT&PF invited the City of Homer to submit a full TAP application for the HAPP project; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer acknowledges availability of the required match of no less than 9.03%; and

WHEREAS, The City of Homer is amenable to accepting maintenance responsibility for HAPP's sidewalk on the State-owned section of Main Street; and

WHEREAS, The TAP application requires a Resolution of support and commitment to matching funds from the governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Homer City Council supports the HAPP project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Homer City Council authorizes the City Manager to prepare and submit the 2023-2025 TAP grant application for the HAPP project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council expresses its commitment of no less than 9.03% local grant matching funds.

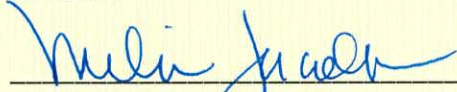
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ATTEST:



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Fiscal note: N/A



**CITY OF HOMER  
HOMER, ALASKA**

Aderhold/Davis

**RESOLUTION 23-014**

AN RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA  
INTENDING TO ADD A ROGERS LOOP ROAD OFF-STREET PARKING  
PROJECT TO ITS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND TO WORK  
WITH HOMER TRAILS ALLIANCE ON TRAILS AND TRAILHEAD  
RELATED PROJECTS IF THE ORGANIZATION RECEIVES A  
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE  
ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC  
FACILITIES

WHEREAS, The Homer Trails Alliance (HTA), a non-profit group based in Homer, has  
submitted a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) proposal to the Alaska Department of  
Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) to expand existing trail systems in and beyond  
the western boundary of the City of Homer to connect existing and new non-motorized trails  
that will enable pedestrians, bicyclists, and wheelchair users of all ages and abilities to travel  
between trailheads and trail systems along the Sterling Highway within the State owned  
Homer Demonstration Forest and the City of Homer's Diamond Creek Recreation Area and  
Alaska State Park's Diamond Creek Stat Recreation Site; and

WHEREAS, The HTA proposal includes new parking, restrooms, trailheads, and trails on  
parcels owned by the City of Homer in the Diamond Creek Recreation Area and adjacent to  
Rogers Loop Road near the Homer Demonstration Forest; and

WHEREAS, The City Council approved the Diamond Creek Recreation Area Management  
Plan in May 2013; and

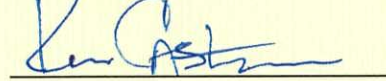
WHEREAS, The Diamond Creek Recreation Area is currently used for winter recreation  
and to protect wetlands and waters in the Diamond Creek watershed; and

WHEREAS, The City-owned parcel on Rogers Loop Road was purchased with the intent  
of creating off-street parking for an existing trailhead, but this project has not been  
constructed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska, intends to  
add a Rogers Loop parking area to its Capital Improvement Plan and will work with HTA on  
other trail and trailhead related projects if the organization receives a TAPS grant from  
DOT&PF for its proposed project.

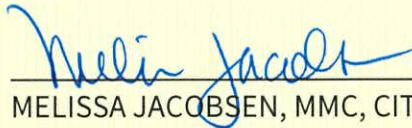
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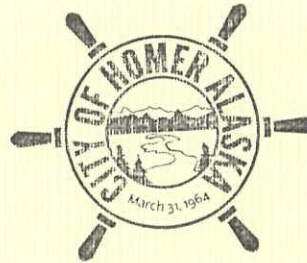
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Fiscal note: N/A





# AGENDA ITEM REPORT

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## Pioneer Ave Street Banners

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Item Type:</b>     | Informational Item                                   |
| <b>Prepared For:</b>  | Parks, Art, Recreation & Culture Advisory Commission |
| <b>Meeting Date:</b>  | 16 Feb 2023                                          |
| <b>Staff Contact:</b> | Julie Engebretsen                                    |
| <b>Attachments:</b>   | Draft Banner Design                                  |

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### Summary Statement:

The Economic Development Advisory Commission will be reviewing draft banner designs for Pioneer Ave, at their February 14th meeting. These are summer banners, to replace the old cloth banners that are mostly no longer usable. The City is working with Corvus Design, a landscape architecture firm, on the banners. They are working with a graphic artist to refine the concepts into what will result in a good street banner. Currently four designs are shown, and there will be a fifth design with the city logo, for gateways to Pioneer Ave (each end of the street). The banner colors comply with the new Wayfinding and Streetscape Plan, adopted in 2022. Funding has been approved and the City hopes to install the new banners in late spring.

### Staff Recommendation:

Informational only.

### Attachments:

Draft Banners

