

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 20-42

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA SUSPENDING PENALTIES AND INTEREST FOR DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared that the global coronavirus crisis or COVID-19 is now a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of Alaska declared a public health emergency in response to an anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the City of Valdez declared a local government disaster in preparation of an outbreak of the COVID-19 in the community; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has and continues to cause financial harm to the citizens of the City of Valdez.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the 2020 tax year calendar adopted by Resolution 20-01, property tax payments for the 2020 tax year are currently due on or before August 17, 2020 for lump sum payments or in equal halves on August 17, 2020 and October 17, 2020 for installment payments.

WHEREAS, failure to pay property taxes on or before the dates set forth in the 2020 tax calendar results in the imposition of a penalty of eight percent on the unpaid balance of a tax installment and eight percent interest per annum.

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez desires to offer relief to its citizens by extending the deadline for property tax payments without penalty and interest from August 17, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA THAT:

No penalty or interest shall be imposed upon property tax payments for the 2020 tax year paid in full on or before December 31, 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020.

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA



Sharon Scheidt, Mayor Pro-Temp

ATTEST:



Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk

