HAINES BOROUGH, ALASKA ORDINANCE No. 15-04-409

An Ordinance of the Haines Borough amending Haines Borough Code Title 18 Section 18.100.025 to allow with planning commission approval lot line adjustments and lot consolidations resulting in lot(s) non-conforming in size.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY:

- Section 1. <u>Classification</u>. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and the adopted amendment shall become a part of the Haines Borough Code.
- Section 2. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.
- Section 3. <u>Effective Date</u>. This ordinance is effective upon adoption.
- Section 4. <u>Amendment of Section 18.100.025</u>. Section 18.100.025 of the Haines Borough Code is hereby amended as follows:

NOTE: **Bolded**/<u>UNDERLINED</u> ITEMS ARE TO BE ADDED STRIKETHROUGH ITEMS ARE DELETED

HBC 18.100.020 Platting of subdivision, lot line adjustment and lot consolidation required.

Any division of land within the borough which results in a subdivision, or any shifting or eliminating of property lines resulting in a lot line adjustment or lot consolidation shall be surveyed and a plat thereof approved and recorded, pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, HBC 18.60.010 through 18.60.020, and AS 29.40 and 40.15, as amended from time to time.

- A. Subdivision Defined. "Subdivision" means a division of a tract or parcel of land into two or more lots, sites, or other divisions and includes re-subdivisions and, when appropriate to the context, relates to the process of subdividing or to the land or areas subdivided.
- B. Lot Line Adjustment Defined. "Lot line adjustment" is defined as the shifting of a property line that does not result in:
 - 1. The creation of additional lots.
 - 2. The creation of new nonconforming lots, including:
 - a. A lot of less than 65 feet of width.
 - b. A lot of less than the minimum size applicable to the zoning district.
- c. A lot where development or utility becomes located within the setback as a result of the lot line adjustment.
 - 3. The increase of nonconformity of an existing nonconforming lot.
- 4. The newly adjusted lot exceeding 200 percent of the area of the original lot, with the exception of lots less than the minimum lot size, in which case the newly adjusted lot shall not exceed 150 percent of the minimum lot size specified for the zone.
- C. Lot Consolidation Defined. "Lot consolidation," also referred to as "lot line vacation," is the elimination of a lot line or lines that divide multiple lots and results in the consolidation of multiple lots into fewer lots or one lot.
- 1. The result shall not impair adequate access, access easements or rights-of-way to existing lots.

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2. The result shall not create a nonconforming lot or increase the nonconformity of an existing nonconforming lot.

HBC 18.100.025 Exceptions.

- A. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to transfers of interest in land pursuant to court order.
- B. The manager shall have the authority to waive the surveying requirement for a lot consolidation if it is determined that the surveyor can prepare plat documents from accurate and current data for the properties being consolidated.
- C. HBC 18.100.020(B) and (C) do not apply to lot line adjustments and lot consolidations between two or more nonconforming lots, as long as no additional nonconforming lots are created, and the proposed lots as adjusted will comply with other requirements, including but not limited to setbacks and parking as prescribed by the applicable use zone. All lot line adjustments involving nonconforming lots shall be reviewed and approved by the planning commission.

ADOPTED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY THIS 26th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

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Janice Hill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Date Introduced: Date of First Public Hearing:

Date of Second Public Hearing:

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