## NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY ORDINANCE 25-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AMENDING THE BOROUGH STANDARDS FOR CONTRACT AMENDMENTS, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS: Chapter 6.16 of the Borough Code establishes the Borough's Procurement Code, including standards for contract approval and amendment; and

WHEREAS: since 2003, NABC 6.16.220 has been in place to set the process and standards for amending Borough contracts; and

WHEREAS: the Borough Assembly wishes to amend the Code to better align with standardized Alaskan municipal codes and provide greater accountability for contract expenditures; and

WHEREAS: NABC 6.16.220(b) provides broad latitude to amend a contract up to 100% of the original amount, which significantly exceeds the amount most Alaska municipalities establish; and

**WHEREAS:** the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly wishes to update the Borough Code to provide a greater level of accountability to original contract approval levels.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED:** by the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly as follows:

**Section 1:** Chapter 6.16 of the Borough Code is amended as follows with additions indicated by **underlining** in bold and deletions by **strikethrough** in bold:

## 6.16.220 Contract amendments.

- A. All amendments to contracts for supplies, services and construction, including change orders, shall be approved in writing by the procurement officer, subject to assembly approval where required under this section. Contract amendments shall not be used to avoid procurement by the competitive bid procedures established under this chapter.
- B. No contract amendment which will cause the total price of the contract, as amended, to exceed the **greater** lesser of \$25,000 so 100 percent 20 percent of the original contract price may be executed unless the assembly has passed a

resolution setting forth any modifications to the essential terms of the contract. (Ord. 22-08 § 1, 2022; Ord. 13-11 § 1, 2014; Ord. 03-08 § 1, 2003)

Section 2: This Code Ordinance shall be effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 25 DAY OF Mac 2025.

Nathan Hadley, Jr., Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25 DAY OF Mac 2025.

Dickie Moto, Sr., Mayor

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 25 DAY OF Mac 2025.

Stella Atoruk, Borough Clerk

First Reading: <u>02- 25- 2025</u> Second Reading: <u>03-25-2025</u>