# **DRAFT**

**WHEREAS:** The City of Aniak Council recognizes the need to establish fair and equitable utility rates for the provision of sewer and public works utilities; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to define classifications for utility customers to ensure consistent application of rates;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the city council of Aniak, as follows,

### **SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

This ordinance establishes utility rates for residential and commercial customers, defines this classification and ensures the financial sustainability of the City's utility services.

### **SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS**

1. Residential Customer

A residential customer is defined as an individual or household receiving utility services primarily for domestic purposes in a dwelling unit. This includes

- Single-family homes
- Duplexes, triplexes, and any other multi- unit residences not classified as commercial properties
- Apartments where utilities are billed individually
- 2. Commercial Customer

A commercial customer is defined as any entity receiving utility services primarily for business, industrial or institutional purposes. This includes, but not limited to:

- Business, retail stores, and offices
- Schools, clinics, non-residential institutions

## **SECTION 3. UTITIY RATES**

1. Residential Rates

Residential utility rates shall be set to cover operation, maintenance and capital improvement costs of the utility system for domestic usage. Rates shall be based on the following:

- A fixed monthly rate base sewer Utility fee of \$75.00
- A fixed monthly rate base Public Works fee of \$25.00
- 2. Commercial Rates

Commercial utility rates shall be structured to reflect higher consumption levels and the impact on the system's infrastructure. Rates shall be based on the following:

- A fixed monthly base of \$250.00 up to 12 people
- A fixed monthly base of Public Works fee of \$50.00
- A monthly rate shall be determined based off the number of events/people on the application if more than 12 people will be utilizing the building.
- 3. Special Provisions

The council may establish tiered rates for excessive usage to promote conservation.

### SECTION 4 ADJUSTMENTS AND ANNUAL REVIEW

Utility rates shall be revised annually by the City of Aniak Council to ensure alignment with operational costs and inflation. Adjustments may be implemented through council approval and adequate public notices.