

## CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA

## ORDINANCE NO. 2026-XX

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA, AMENDING DILLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 1.16.010, DEFINITIONS, TO ADD A DEFINITION FOR "NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION".**

WHEREAS, The Dillingham Municipal Code requires publication of certain notices in a "newspaper of general circulation"; and

WHEREAS, State law does not define the term "newspaper of general circulation"; and

WHEREAS, The City Council finds it appropriate to clarify and define the term consistent with modern publication practices and other Alaska municipalities, including the City of Wasilla;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DILLINGHAM, ALASKA:

**Section 1. Classification.** This is a code ordinance.

**Section 2. Amendment to Section 1.16.010, Definitions,**  
is hereby amended to read as follows [new language **underlined and emboldened** and deleted text displayed in **strike out font**]:

**4.15.125 Definitions**

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Except as otherwise specifically defined in this code or indicated by the context, words used in the code or ordinances of the city shall have their ordinary dictionary meanings.

**"By law"**

denotes applicable federal law, the Constitution of the United States of America, the constitution of the state of Alaska, statutes and regulations of the state of Alaska, applicable common law and the Dillingham Municipal Code;

**"City"**

means the city of Dillingham, Alaska;

**"Code"**

means the Dillingham Municipal Code;

**"Majority"**

means a simple majority;

**"Newspaper of general circulation"**

**for purposes of this Code includes any publication that distributes news to the general public that is not primarily intended for a specific professional or occupational group or distinct group of the population and which is accessible by the public in hard copy or via the internet at the public library, the Post Office, and City Hall. A newspaper of general**

**circulation includes, but is not limited to, the Bristol Bay Times, Anchorage Daily News, KDLG, the City website, and the City social media page.**

**"Person"**

includes corporations, companies, partnerships, firms, associations, organizations, business trusts and societies, and natural persons;

**"Personal property"**

means tangible property other than real property, such as goods and stock in trade, machinery and equipment, furniture and fixtures, motor vehicles, boats, vessels and aircraft;

**"Property"**

means real and personal property;

**"Real property"**

means land and improvements and all possessory rights and privileges appurtenant to the property, and includes personal property affixed to the land or improvements; and

**"State"**

means the state of Alaska.

(Ord. 86-7 § 1, 1986; Ord. 84-8, 1984; Ord. 77-5 § 2 (part), 1977)

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**Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance is effective upon adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the Dillingham City Council on  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Alice Ruby, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Abigail Flynn, City Clerk

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