

1st Reading May 10, 2021
2nd Reading May 25, 2021

Presented by:
Council Member Martinson
Action Taken:
Yes____ No____
Abstain____

CITY OF NOME, ALASKA

ORDINANCE NO. O-21-05-02

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE NOME COMMON COUNCIL, NOME, ALASKA, PROVIDING
FOR A TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF SALES TAX FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY AND
AUGUST OF 2021**

WHEREAS, the United States is currently in the beginnings of a recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic that affected the livelihoods of Nome residents and small businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Nome Common Council wishes to assist and incentivize the recovery in the City of Nome; and,

WHEREAS, there is currently imposed a seasonal sales tax of seven percent (7%) of the selling price on all retail sales and rentals of goods and services in the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Common Council desires to temporarily reduce the seasonal sales levy for remainder of summer 2021 to aid and facilitate economic recovery in the City of Nome;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Nome Common Council as follows:

Section 1. Classification: This is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. Temporary Reduction in Seasonal Sales Tax Levy. From July 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021, the 7% sales tax levy established by NCO 17.10.010(b) shall be reduced to a 5% sales tax levy.

Section 3. No Additional Reduction in Levy.

- A. This ordinance shall not reduce or otherwise affect the 5% sales tax levy established by NCO 17.10.010(a).
- B. This shall not reduce or affect the 7% sales tax levy established by NCO 17.10.010(b) during any period other than July 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021.

Section 4. Severability. If any part or provision of this ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstances is adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part, provision, or application directly involved in all controversy in which this judgment shall have been rendered, and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this title or application thereof to other persons or circumstances. The City Council hereby declares that it would have enacted the remainder of this ordinance even without such part, provision or application.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2021 until August 31, 2021.

ADOPTED and ENACTED this 25th day of May, 2021.

JOHN K. HANDELAND, Mayor

ATTEST:

BRYANT HAMMOND, City Clerk