

## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: January 21, 2022

**TO:** Nome Common Council

FROM: Bryant Hammond, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Request for Interest and Penalty Waiver - Dredge 7 Inn

Attached you will find correspondence detailing the levy of penalties and interest due to a missed sales tax payment during the summer of 2021. The exact figures have been redacted; per NCO 17.10.085, sales tax information is proprietary and shall be kept confidential.

As you may or may not know, Ms. Martinson handled the majority of paperwork and finances for Dredge 7 Inn. The failure to file was not noticed by either the City of Nome or Dredge 7 Inn until reconciling the sales tax AR at the end of the calendar year.

City staff do not have the authority to grant such a request. As such, the request is hereby presented to the Nome Common Council for final determination.

From: DJ Martinson

To: <u>Dana Handeland</u>; <u>Bryant Hammond</u>; <u>johnh@njus.orq</u>

Subject: Re: July 2021 return

**Date:** Friday, January 7, 2022 3:16:34 PM

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

## Good Afternoon Dana,

Thank you for taking the time to clarify and help us understand this process better, as a family we have made every effort to learn and become proficient at the tasks which Judy completed so naturally. We regret any delinquencies up to this point, and wish to know if there are any other outstanding returns under either Dredge No. 7 Inn.

On January 4th, in an email from Alyssa on behalf of Dredge No. 7 Inn, we requested that the City of Nome waive the 15% interest fees for both sales & bed tax. Considering the reliable and consistent revenue stream history from Dredge No. 7 Inn, Judy's passing on August 8, and most importantly that we were not notified of this missing month sales tax until January 2022, we would assume this request, or just One month of interest fees to be more than reasonable. Please reconsider and advise.

Thank you,

Jessa Martinson-Labinski

On Fri, Jan 7, 2022 at 1:49 PM Dana Handeland < <u>DHandeland@nomealaska.org</u> > wrote:

Thanks for locating the missing return. Alyssa came in on the 5<sup>th</sup> and paid the sales and bed tax which is correct. However, the amount paid for being late calculated as follows:

Sales tax Penalty—over 3 mo-20% plus 15% interest = Total for late filing is

Alyssa made a payment of toward these late fees leaving a balance due of

I have included the City Clerk, Bryant Hammond, on this email if you have any additional

questions that I can't field myself.
Thanks again,
Dana Handeland
City of Nome