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CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA
NON-CODE ORDINANCE 2025-005

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WHITTIER, ALASKA REPEALING
THE DISCOUNTED WINTER TRANSIENT MOORAGE RATE AND ADDING A 40%
DISCOUNT RATE FOR TRANSIENT MOORAGE PAID IN FULL AND NON-
REFUNDABLE FOR A 12 MONTH PERIOD

WHEREAS, Whittier Harbor traditionally offered annual transient moorage to boaters who wished to moor year-round; and,

WHEREAS, annual transient moorage was initially discontinued to limit the number of boats in the harbor during the rebuild process which was anticipated to be completed years ago; and,

WHEREAS, years of limiting annual transient moorage has resulted in less boats moored and drydocked over the winter resulting in less property tax to the city, less moorage revenue to harbor and less revenue for businesses who offer boat maintenance, boat watch and boat storage businesses; and,

WHEREAS, the harbor rebuilding process is scheduled to be completed spring 2026; and,

WHEREAS, newly registered transient boaters wishing to moor year-round are now paying more than 100% than traditional annual transient rates; and,

WHEREAS, Whittier’s preferential moorage rates are the highest in southcentral Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the discounted winter transient rate was not effective in attracting vessels to moor in the winter.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL ORDAINS:

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Section 1. To encourage year round moorage of vessels, to increase revenues to the city, harbor and businesses and to provide a better value to vessel owners, a new moorage category to replace the discounted winter transient rate is added to the fee schedule – Provided 12 months of consecutive monthly moorage is paid in full at the time of purchase, the rate will be discounted 40% and will be considered non-refundable.

