CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA ORDINANCE 1131

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA, AMENDING CORDOVA MUNICIPAL CODE SUBSECTION 16.15.2305(d) IN ORDER TO REDUCE THE GROUND SNOW LOAD REQUIREMENT FROM 150 POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT TO 100 POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT

WHEREAS, the City of Cordova has determined that the financial costs are significant for meeting the ground snow load of 150 pounds per square foot; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cordova has determined that a ground snow load of 100 pounds per square foot is sufficient enough to ensure structural stability for the conditions in the City; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 International Building Code requires a ground snow load of 100 pounds per square foot for the City of Cordova; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Cordova has recommended to the City Council to reduce the ground snow load from 150 pounds per square foot to 100 pounds per square foot.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska that:

Section 1. The Cordova Code of Ordinances of Cordova, Alaska, is hereby amended to read as follows:

16.15.2305(d) - Snow loads.

The minimum snow load shall be 100 pounds per square foot ground snow load.

Delete the last sentence in the second paragraph and substitute the following:

- -(i) The minimum basic design snow load shall be 100 pounds per square foot on the horizontal projection of the roof for building permits issued or required prior to September 1, 2012.
- (ii) The minimum basic design snow load shall be 150 pounds per square foot ground snow load for construction requiring or issued a building permit on or after September 1, 2012.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and publication. This ordinance shall be enacted in accordance with Section 2.13 of the Charter of the City of Cordova, Alaska, and published within ten (10) days after its passage.

1st reading:

June 17, 2015

2nd reading and public hearing:

July 1, 2015

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY, 2015

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James Kacsh, Mayor

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Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk