Presented by: The Manager Presented: 10/23/2023 Drafted by: Emily Wright

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2023-38

An Ordinance Amending the Traffic Code Relating to Impounds of Vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the City and Borough of Juneau Municipal Code.

Section 2. Amendment of Section. CBJC 72.02.345 Officers authorized to remove vehicles, is amended to read:

72.02.345 Officers authorized to remove vehicles.

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(d) When a vehicle is impounded, it may be impounded in place or removed from a highway or elsewhere at the discretion of a police officer. A vehicle removed shall be removed to a place of safety. The owner or driver may claim the vehicle by securing a written release for it from the police officer or agency ordering its impound or removal. A vehicle legally removed or impounded may not be released to the owner, nor may the owner secure its use until the release for it is certified by the officer or agency directing its removal. The expense for the removal and storage must be paid by the owner or driver of the vehicle.

Section 3. Amendment of Section. CBJC 72.22.060 Authority to impound vehicles; redemption or sale; presumption of abandonment, is amended to read:

72.22.060 Authority to impound vehicles; redemption or sale; presumption of abandonment.

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(h) If a vehicle qualifies for impound, the manager, the manager's designee, or an employee of the Juneau Police Department may impound a vehicle in place and proceed with the notice and disposal process.

Section 4. Amendment of Section. CBJC 36.30.230 Abandoned and junked vehicles, is amended to read:

36.30.230 Abandoned and junked vehicles.

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(f) If a vehicle qualifies for impound, the manager or the manager's designee may impound a vehicle in place and proceed with the notice and disposal process.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective 30 days after its adoption.

Adopted this 13th day of November 2023.

Beth A. Weldon, Mayor

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Elizabeth J. McEwen, Municipal Clerk