NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 75-06-76
(FOR INTRODUCTION ONLY)

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NUIQSUT
COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is charged under North Slope Borough Code of Ordinances (NSBMC) § 2.12.160(a) and 2.12.160(a)(1) with the responsibility to prepare and recommend to the Assembly a comprehensive plan (Plan) for the systematic development of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is further charged under NSBMC § 18.20.020 to establish one or more districts using approved Village Comprehensive Plans as a guideline; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is further charged under NSBMC § 19.040.060 (A)(2) to ensure that the incorporated villages accommodate uses in accordance with both the Borough Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Development Plan for the community; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is further charged under NSBMC § 19.70.020 to follow policies intended to guide the approval of development and uses in the village districts consistently with the relevant adopted Village Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the common goals of local control and self-determination, the protection of the land, water and subsistence resources, mitigation of the impacts which may occur as a result of oil and gas development and other developments, the maximization of economic benefits and employment opportunities for Nuiqsut today and into the future are fully shared by all of the organizations working together on this project; and

WHEREAS, the Nuiqsut Comprehensive Plan (the Plan) was developed with significant public involvement, including public meetings in Nuiqsut in 2010, 2015, and 2022, numerous meetings with stakeholders, and opportunities for residents and other stakeholders to provide comments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Nuiqsut adopted Resolution 2022-15 on July 26, 2022, recommending approval of the Plan as developed by the North Slope Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Kuukpik Corporation adopted Resolution 2022-26 on August 4, 2022, recommending approval of the Plan as developed by the North Slope Borough; and
WHEREAS, the Native Village of Nuiqsut has participated in leadership and community meetings discussing the direction and contents of the draft Plan and has received copies of the Plan for review; however, the Tribal Council has not met to provide final comments or consider a resolution in support; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission adopted Resolution 2022-12 on September 29, 2022, recommending the Assembly approve of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Nuiqsut Comprehensive Development Plan is found to be a sufficient guide to future development in Nuiqsut for the next 20 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION 1. Classification. This ordinance is a non-code ordinance.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 3. Effectiveness. This code ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

SECTION 4. Adoption of Comprehensive Plan. The North Slope Borough Assembly hereby adopts the Nuiqsut Comprehensive Development Plan, attached as Exhibit B, as recommended by the City of Nuiqsut, the Kuukpik Corporation and the North Slope Borough Planning Commission.


INTRODUCED: ______________
ADOPTED: ______________

Vernon A. Edwardsen, President
Date: ______________

ATTEST: ____________________
Sheila Burke, Borough Clerk
Date: ________________

Harry K. Brower, Jr., Mayor
Date: ________________