

PROCLAMATION NO. P2020-001

PROCLAMATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE CITY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY TO RESPOND TO THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 8630 and Napa Municipal Code Section 2.89.060 authorize the City Manager, acting as Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, Napa Municipal Code Section 2.89.020 defines "local emergency" as the actual or threatened existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City caused by such conditions as air pollution, fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot, drought, sudden and severe energy shortage, plant or animal infestation or disease, the Governor's warning of an earthquake or volcanic prediction, an earthquake, or other conditions other than conditions resulting from labor controversy, which conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City, requiring the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, international, national, state, and local health and governmental authorities have been and are responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus named "SARSCoV-2," and the disease it causes has been named "coronavirus disease 2019," abbreviated COVID-19, ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization ("WHO") has reported that sustained human-to-human transmission of COVID-19 is occurring; and transmission from asymptomatic individuals has been documented and suspected community transmission of the virus is occurring in the United States. Although the majority of individuals infected with COVID-19 recover from the disease without special treatment, there is significant potential for serious infection and death; and

WHEREAS, WHO declared the COVID-19 outbreak a public health emergency of international concern on January 30, 2020, and made an assessment on March 11, 2020 that COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has determined that the virus presents a serious public health threat, requiring coordination among state and local health departments to ensure readiness for potential health threats associated with the virus; and

WHEREAS, the CDC has issued guidelines to local and state health departments, including the Napa County Health & Human Services Agency ("HHSA"), concerning risk assessment and public health management of persons with potential exposure to COVID-19. These guidelines require HHSA to make extraordinary efforts to monitor ongoing communicable disease threats and prepare for management of individuals who may have been exposed to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, HHSA, the Office of Emergency Services, and other County partners (including the City of Napa) have been working diligently to implement the CDC guidelines, but now require additional tools and resources to protect the public health given the current state of the epidemic and the need for a sustained response; and

WHEREAS, in response to COVID-19, the Governor of the State of California issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency in response to COVID-19 on March 4, 2020, and issued Executive Order N-25-20 on March 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Napa County Health Officer declared a local health emergency on March 12, 2020 as a result of the imminent and proximate threat to public health from the potential introduction of COVID-19 in Napa County; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States issued the Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19 Outbreak, on March 13, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City Manager of the City of Napa, in the capacity of the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Napa, as follows:

1. The City Manager finds that, beginning on or about March 15, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., there existed conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City caused by COVID-19.

2. The City Manager finds that the conditions described herein are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City, requiring the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat.

3. The City Manager hereby proclaims that the existence of a "local emergency" as defined by Napa Municipal Code Section 2.89.020, based on the existence of the conditions related to COVID-19 identified herein.

4. During this local emergency, the City Manager shall exercise the authority identified by City law (including "Emergency and Disaster Preparedness," Napa Municipal Code chapter 2.89, City resolutions, the City's emergency plans, and City charter).

5. The City Manager shall work with appropriate local, state, and federal representatives in order to seek disaster relief assistance. The City Manager shall work with the Mayor in order to determine the appropriate method of requesting assistance from County, state and federal officials.

6. In connection with the local emergency identified in this proclamation, a meeting of the City Council has been scheduled for March 16, 2020, to consider the ratification of this proclamation. Other than that Council meeting on March 16, 2020, the City Manager hereby orders, for the protection of persons and property, the cancellation of public meetings for all City legislative bodies (i.e., the City Council, and all City boards and commissions) through March 30, 2020, including all of the following previously scheduled meetings:

- a) City Council, including the meeting previously scheduled for March 17, 2020
- b) Housing Authority of the City of Napa, including the meeting previously scheduled for March 17, 2020
- c) Parking Authority of the City of Napa, including the meeting previously scheduled for March 17, 2020
- d) Park, Recreation & Trees Advisory Commission, including the meeting previously scheduled for March 18, 2020
- e) Planning Commission, including the meeting previously scheduled for March 19, 2020

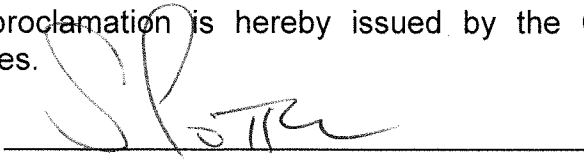
7. This proclamation shall be published and promulgated in as widespread a manner as reasonably feasible in light of the conditions prevailing during the local emergency.

8. This proclamation shall expire if not confirmed and ratified by the City Council within seven days of the proclamation.

9. The City Manager hereby finds that the facts set forth in the recitals to this proclamation are true and correct, and establish the factual basis for this proclamation.

10. This Proclamation shall take effect immediately upon its execution.

This proclamation is hereby issued by the City Manager, Director of Emergency Services.



Name: Steve Potter

Title: City Manager
Director of Emergency Services

Date: March 15, 2020