

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANAHEIM PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19), SEEKING ALL AVAILABLE FINANCIAL AID FROM FEDERAL, STATE AND COUNTY AUTHORITIES, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TO TAKE STEPS TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAEFTY, AND INCREASING PURCHASING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY MANAGER.

WHEREAS, Anaheim Municipal Code Chapter 6.04 empowers the Director of Emergency Services to request the City Council to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City of Anaheim (the " City") is affected or likely to be affected by a disaster or public calamity; and

WHEREAS, a novel coronavirus, COVID-19, which causes infectious disease resulting in symptoms of fever, coughing and shortness of breath with outcomes ranging from mild to severe illness and in some cases death, which was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019 and spread to numerous other countries including the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has determined the virus to be a very serious public health threat, yet the method and efficacy of transmission of the virus is not yet fully understood and no vaccine currently exists; and

WHEREAS, the City of Anaheim has a population of over 350,000 residents, is a major tourist destination, and is a significant destination for business travel, all resulting in a high volume of foreign and domestic visitors traveling into and out of the City, which has the potential to result in significant spreading of the disease; and

WHEREAS, communities within the geographic boundaries of Orange County have and will continue to prepare and, as necessary, take significant response actions to any developing contagion and to any other risks that may arise from introduction and possible spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the above described events are creating a public health and safety emergency for persons and property within the territorial limits of the City of Anaheim, which conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the City of Anaheim, and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat;

WHEREAS, the City's ability to mobilize local resources, coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, use mutual aid, and seek future reimbursement by the State and Federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Gavin Newsom, Governor of the State of California,

proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California due to the spread of COVID- 19; and

WHEREAS, these conditions warrant and necessitate that the City of Anaheim proclaim the existence of a local public health and safety emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council hereby finds, determines and resolves as follows:

IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a Local Public Health and Safety Emergency (“Local Emergency”) exists throughout the City of Anaheim; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the City Manager, as the City's Director of Emergency Services, and the Emergency Organization of the City are authorized and directed to take any necessary steps for the protection of life, health and safety in the City of Anaheim; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of this Local Emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the City's Director of Emergency Services, and the Emergency Organization of the City shall be those prescribed by State law and the City's ordinances, resolutions, approved emergency plans; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that all City Departments shall review and revise their department emergency and contingency plans to address the risks COVID-19 poses to their critical functions in coordination with the Orange County Office of Emergency Services (OES); and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that all City Departments shall track costs for staffing, supplies, and equipment related to COVID-19 preparation and prevention and forward that information to Office of Emergency Services (OES); and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the City's Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency Organization of the City shall coordinate Citywide planning, preparedness and response efforts regarding COVID-19 with OES and the Orange County Department of Public Health; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Local Emergency proclaimed in this Resolution shall take effect immediately and that the City shall give widespread publicity and notice of the Local Emergency through the most feasible and adequate means of disseminating such notice throughout the City; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the OES and to such other government agencies and officials as the City's Director of Emergency Services deems prudent or necessary; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Local Emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Anaheim; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the City Manager and Director of Emergency Services is hereby authorized to order, undertake, and/ or direct remedial or other actions as provided in Section 6. 04. 060 of the Anaheim Municipal Code, including by purchasing any and all necessary goods, services or other items, in an amount up to \$250,000 per purchase, without strict compliance with purchasing procedures or other City rules or regulations, or as may be necessary or appropriate to abate the public health and safety emergency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the City Manager and Director of Emergency Services is hereby authorized to issue further orders and to enter into other agreements or arrangements as may be necessary or appropriate to abate or remediate the impending peril.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION is approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Anaheim this _____ day of _____, 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

CITY OF ANAHEIM

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ANAHEIM

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF ANAHEIM