CITY OF DÜNES CITY RESOLUTION SERIES 2020, NO. 6

A Resolution Declaring a Temporary State of Emergency within the Boundaries of the City of Dunes City and Delegating Authority to the City Administrator.

WHEREAS, On March 8, 2020, the Governor of the State of Oregon issued Executive Order 20-03 declaring a statewide State of Emergency under ORS 401.025(1) due to the serious public health and safety threat posed by the spread of the COVID-19 Novel virus (COVID-19) within our State; and

WHEREAS, On March 17, 2020, the Lane County Board of Commissioners adopted Order 20-03-17-06, declaring a local emergency as a result of public health response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, ORS Chapter 401.309 grants the City additional authority to declare a State of Emergency within the City; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020 the West Lane Emergency Operation Group partner agencies have activated the West Lane Emergency Operations Center; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the detection of multiple cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) within the State and the Governor's Declaration present circumstances constituting a present threat of imminent widespread and severe damage, significant injury to persons or property, increased human suffering, loss of life, and financial loss within the City's boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that during this State of Emergency, it is prudent and responsible to delegate certain powers and responsibilities to the City Administrator in order to more efficiently expedite City responses and services; and

WHEREAS, these emergency circumstances require focused and coordinated municipal and community responses beyond that which occur routinely and such coordinated responses cannot be achieved without temporarily amending some of the City's regular business, emergency, employment, and intergovernmental practices.

WHEREAS, these emergency circumstances are anticipated to remain in effect for at least ten (10) weeks;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUNES CITY THAT:

- 1. A City-wide State of Emergency hereby exists within the City of Dunes City, which includes all areas within the City limits; and
- 2. During this State of Emergency, the City may take any legal and necessary steps to respond and recover from the emergency, including, but not limited to: requesting assistance, funds, and reimbursement from the State of Oregon and federal agencies; adopting temporary rules and policies regarding City facilities, funds, fees, resources, and staff; entering into contracts for services and aid agreements with other governmental or private entities; and cancelling non-essential City meetings and events.

- a. Emergency procurement of goods, services, and public improvements is hereby authorized pursuant to ORS 279B.080, ORS 279C.320, ORS 279C.380(4), and all other applicable statutes, Ordinances and rules;
- b. The City Administrator, or designee, is hereby authorized to utilize the digital signature of the Mayor, or City Council President, should such actions be approved by the Mayor or the City Council President either verbally or in writing.
- 3. The Mayor and the President of the City Council are designated and authorized to serve as the "acting in capacity" City Administrator (City Administrator AIC) in the City Administrator's absence during this State of Emergency. The City Administrator, or designee(s), shall regularly document and report to the Council regarding any actions or orders taken pursuant to this Declaration.
- 4. During this State of Emergency, the Council hereby delegates to the City Administrator (and to City Administrator designee(s) in the case of the City Administrator's absence), the authority to take actions and issue orders necessary and reasonable to protect health, safety and welfare of the City and the public and to conduct activities that minimize or mitigate the effect of the emergency, as long as such actions, orders, and activities are in compliance with City, State and federal law.
- a. Notwithstanding the immediately preceding, if the City Administrator desires to issue a municipal order limiting or banning public gatherings, establishing curfews, closing or limiting businesses, or implementing other social distancing measures beyond that ordered by the State of Oregon, the City Administrator shall first consult with the City Council. This provision does not prevent the City Administrator from publishing recommendations regarding such social distancing measures within the City.
- 5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2020, at 11:59 p.m., unless further extended by the City Administrator or designee, or the City Council;
- 6. It is hereby adjudged and declared that existing conditions are such that this Declaration is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City of Dunes City, and an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Resolution, and all provisions modifying the Resolution referred to herein, shall take effect in full force and effect when signed by the Mayor.

ADOPTION:

This Resolution is passed and adopted on the 25th day of March, 2020.

Robert Forsythe, Mayor

Attest:

Jamie Mills, City Recorder/Administrator