

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION NO. CC 2020-048**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMDALE
RATIFYING THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES' PROCLAMATION
OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RESULTING FROM CORONAVIRUS DISEASE
2019 (COVID-19)**

WHEREAS Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), a new communicable disease, was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019. COVID-19 has since spread globally to over 122 countries, infecting more than 126,000 individuals and tragically resulting in more than 4,614 deaths. Symptoms of the virus include fever, cough, and shortness of breath, and infected individuals have experienced a range of outcomes, from mild sickness to severe illness and death.

WHEREAS, the incident is being called the "COVID-19 outbreak."

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic, which means a global epidemic.

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, Alex M. Azar II, declared a Public Health Emergency to aid the United States in responding to COVID-19.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the State of California declared a State of Emergency in an effort to aid in the prevention and mitigation of the effects of the COVID-19 outbreak.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the County of Los Angeles declared a State of Emergency in an effort to prevent the further spread of COVID-19 throughout the County of Los Angeles.

WHEREAS, the counties of Orange, Santa Clara, San Diego, Sonoma, and San Francisco, along with the cities of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and San Francisco have also declared local health emergencies and proclaimed local emergencies.

WHEREAS, as of March 11, 2020 there were a total of twenty-eight (28) cases of COVID-19 in the County of Los Angeles and one (1) reported death.

WHEREAS the City's Director of Emergency Services did proclaim the existence of a local emergency within the City of Palmdale, pursuant to California Government Code Section 8630 and Palmdale Municipal Code Section 2.28.060, on the 11th day of March, 2020.

WHEREAS the Palmdale City Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions require proactive measures to mitigate risk and ensure the health and safety of persons in the City of Palmdale; and

WHEREAS the Palmdale City Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency by the City's Director of Emergency Services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMDALE DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE, RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 8630 and Palmdale Municipal Code Section 2.28.060, the City Council ratifies the proclamation of the Director of Emergency Services of a state of local emergency and hereby proclaims that a state of local emergency continues to exist within the City of Palmdale.

SECTION 2. The City Council directs the Director of Emergency Services or his designee to take such actions as are appropriate to the fullest extent provided by federal, state and local law, to protect the public health, welfare, safety and property of the residents of the City of Palmdale.

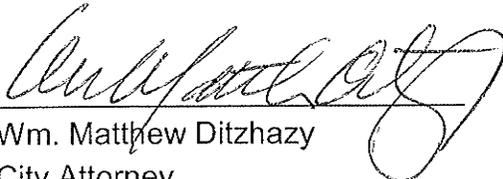
SECTION 3. The City Council further authorizes the Director of Emergency Services or his designee to negotiate or execute such contracts, agreements, applications or other documents with such other federal, state or local agencies or other groups and organizations as are necessary to obtain emergency aid, assistance or services to the City of Palmdale.

SECTION 4. The aforementioned local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until this City Council proclaims its termination. In accordance with California Government Code 8630(c), this City Council shall review the need for continuing this local emergency at least once every 60 days until it terminates the local emergency.

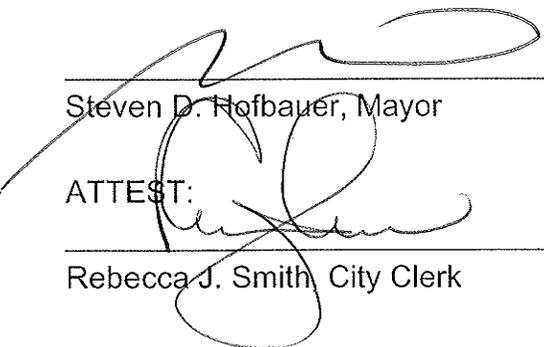
SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 17th day of March, 2020.

Approved as to form:

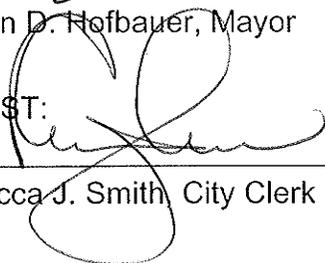


Wm. Matthew Ditzhazy
City Attorney



Steven D. Hofbauer, Mayor

ATTEST:



Rebecca J. Smith, City Clerk

I, Rebecca J. Smith, City Clerk of Palmdale, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Palmdale at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 17th day of March 2020 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Hofbauer, Bishop, Carrillo, Loa

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Bettencourt

Date: March 23, 2020

Rebecca J. Smith, City Clerk

