



DATE: March 17, 2020

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution Ratifying the Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to the Spread of a Severe Acute Respiratory Illness Caused by a Novel (New) Coronavirus (COVID-19)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts a Resolution (Attachment II) ratifying the Proclamation of Local Emergency made on March 11, 2020 by the City Manager in her capacity as Director of Emergency Services.

SUMMARY

On March 11, 2020, the City Manager, in her capacity as Director of Emergency Services, proclaimed a local emergency due to the ongoing spread of a severe acute respiratory illness in Alameda County caused by a novel coronavirus (COVID -19). This report requests that the City Council approve a resolution ratifying the Proclamation of a Local Emergency (Attachment III), which empowers the Director of Emergency Services to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such local emergency.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

On March 1, 2020, the Alameda County Public Health Department and Solano County Public Health Department reported two presumptive cases of COVID-19, pending confirmatory testing by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), prompting Alameda County to declare a local health emergency.

On March 11, 2020, the City Manager, in her capacity as Director of Emergency Services, proclaimed a local emergency due to the spread of COVID-19, including several confirmed cases in Alameda County and many more in the San Francisco Bay Area.

The City Manager is empowered to proclaim a local emergency pursuant to California Government Code Section 8630 and Hayward Municipal Code Section 3-2.12. When a local emergency is proclaimed by the Director of Emergency Services, the Council must ratify the

proclamation within seven (7) days or the proclamation has no further effect. This item requests that the City Council ratify the resolution for the Proclamation of Local Emergency due to COVID-19.

A Proclamation of Local Emergency allows the Director of Emergency Services to make rules and regulations related to the protection of life and property, obtain vital supplies and equipment needed for the protection of life and property, and require emergency services of City officers and employees in their roles as designated Disaster Services Workers.

FISCAL IMPACT

This resolution enables the City to request certain emergency funds from State and Federal sources as they become available and enables the City Manager and assigned staff to efficiently allocate resources due to the ongoing and imminent threat to public safety.

Recommended by: Garrett Contreras, Fire Chief

Approved by:

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Kelly McAdoo, City Manager