

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-001
of the
City of Grass Valley, Oregon

**DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AS A RESULT OF COVID-19
PANDEMIC**

The City Council of the City of Grass Valley finds that:

- A. The following conditions have resulted in the need for a state of emergency declaration:
- a. COVID-19 was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020.
 - b. Coronavirus are a group of viruses that can cause respiratory disease, with the potential to cause serious illness or loss of life for individuals with underlying health conditions.
 - c. COVID-19 requires a significant amount of resources at the local level to keep the public and community informed and as safe as possible.
 - d. On March 8, 2020, Governor Kate Brown declared a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 outbreak in Oregon (Executive Order No. 20-03), finding that COVID-19 has created a threat to public health and safety, and constitutes a statewide emergency under ORS 401.025(1).
- B. The unknown duration of the COVID-19 Pandemic will have significant financial impact to the community.
- C. Pursuant to ORS 401.309(1), the governing body of a city may declare, by ordinance or resolution, that a state of emergency exists within the city.
- D. The City Council shall consider ratification of the Declaration of a State of Emergency at its next council meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the above findings, I order that:

Section 1. A Local State of Emergency is declared to exist throughout the City of Grass Valley.

Section 2. All necessary city funds shall be redirected for emergency use, and standard city procurement procedures shall be suspended for any contract or purchase necessary to combat the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Section 3. All non-essential city commissions, committees, task forces and city events are cancelled until April 30.

Section 4. This Declaration of State of Emergency is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until April 30, 2020, but may be extended in two-week increments.

Section 5. To respond to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the City may procure needed goods and services in accordance with ORS 279B.080 and without compliance with normal procurement procedures, redirect any necessary City funds for emergency purposes, and take any other action necessary for the protection of health and safety.

Section 6. All permitted special events of more than 25 persons are cancelled during this emergency.

Section 7. The City will take all necessary steps authorized by law to coordinate the response and recovery of this emergency, including but not limited to, requesting assistance from the State of Oregon and Sherman County.

Dated and effective this 17th day of March, 2020.


Neil Pattee, Mayor

Meinrad Keuttel, City Council President

Ratified by City Council:

Attest _____

Kristen Campbell, City Attorney