

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA PROCLAIMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY AND REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE CALIFORNIA DISASTER ASSISTANCE ACT

WHEREAS, Calimesa Municipal Code Chapter 2.80 (“Chapter 2.80”) provide for the preparation and carrying out of plans for the protection of persons and property within the City in the event of emergency or disaster; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 8630 and Chapter 2.80 authorized the City Council or the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a local emergency, comprising the existence of conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City of Calimesa and upon such proclamation designates the City Manager as the Director of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, in December 2019, an outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19), was first identified in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and has spread outside of China, impacting more than 75 countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization Director-General declared the novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) outbreak a public health emergency of international concern, followed by a federal public health emergency declaration on January 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) confirmed community transmission of COVID-19 in the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons or property have arisen with the City of Calimesa as a result of the spread of COVID-19 throughout the State of California and the world; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of California proclaimed a Statewide state of emergency due to the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, the Riverside County Department of Emergency Management declared a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak to be a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the spread of COVID-19 a national emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020 the Riverside County Public Health Officer ordered the cancellation of all events with expected attendance above 250 individuals, and on March 13, 2020, ordered the closure of the County's schools to prevent COVID-19 exposure; and

WHEREAS, the State of California and local governments, in collaboration with the Federal government, continue sustained efforts to minimize the spread and mitigate the effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as of March 16, 2020, the World Health Organization reported that there are 153,517 confirmed cases worldwide, tragically resulting in 5,735 deaths; and

WHEREAS, as of March 16, 2020, the CDC reported 3,487 COVID-19 cases identified in the United States, and 68 deaths, and that there were 369 reported cases in California, and officials expect the number of cases in California, the United States and worldwide to increase; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby find that the spread of COVID-19, an infectious disease that causes respiratory illness, globally and within Riverside County and other nearby counties, as well as throughout the State of California, could potentially endanger the public health and safety of the residents of Calimesa and Riverside County, requiring the City to take actions to slow the spread of the disease and protect the health of the public; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby find the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in the City of Calimesa; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby find that local resources are unable to cope with the effects of said emergency; and that in the interest of public health and safety, it is necessary for the City of Calimesa to ensure adequate resources exist to address the impacts of COVID-19 on local services and operations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby proclaims a local emergency throughout the City of Calimesa due to the existence or threatened existence of conditions of public health or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City of Calimesa; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERD that the local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Calimesa; and

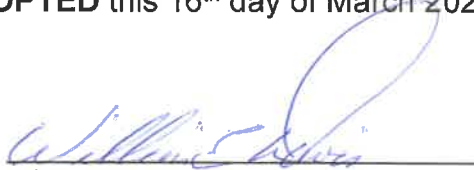
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions and duties of the City of Calimesa and its City Manager serving as the Director of Emergency Services shall be those prescribed by state law and by the ordinance and resolutions of this city and by the approved emergency plans of the City of Calimesa; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the City Manager, serving as the Director of Emergency Services, shall request assistance from the State of California pursuant to the California Disaster Assistance Act, if she or her designee determines that doing so is necessary or beneficial to the City of Calimesa; and


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the State Director of the Office of Emergency Services; request the Governor of California, pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, issue a proclamation declaring an emergency in Riverside County and waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; request that recovery assistance be made available under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Bonnie Johnson, City Manager of the City of Calimesa is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the City of Calimesa for the purpose of receipt, processing and coordination of all inquires and requirements necessary to obtain available State and Federal assistance.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of March 2020.


WILLIAM DAVIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:


DARLENE GERDES, CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE }
CITY OF CALIMESA } SS.

I, **DARLENE GERDES**, City Clerk of the City of Calimesa, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the aforementioned Resolution **No. 2020-04** known as:

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And which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Calimesa California.

Said Resolution was adopted by the said City Council at a special meeting thereof held on the 16th day of March 2020 by the following vote:

- AYES: Cervantez, Clark, Davis and Molina
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Smith
- ABSTAINED: None



DARLENE GERDES, CITY CLERK
Dated this 17th day of March 2020.

