



RESOLUTION 2020-10

A Resolution Extending the City's Declaration of Emergency Expressed in Resolution 2020-08 until May 12, 2020 Due to the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic

WHEREAS, 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); and

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

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020 Governor Brown issued a second Executive Order (EO No. 20-05) prohibiting public gatherings of 250 or more people state-wide and announcing the closure of Oregon's K-12 schools from March 16, 2020 through March 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States Declared the COVID-19 outbreak to be a national emergency, and according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, COVID-19 presents a "high" potential public health threat, both globally and in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the U.S. Department of Human Services imposed its most recent set of protective measures to restrict visitors to long-term care facilities and other residential facilities. The Oregon Health Authority adopted similar measures at the Oregon State Hospital and other behavioral health settings, and limited admissions to the Oregon State Hospital; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Governor Brown issued third Executive Order (EO No. 20-07) that places further restrictions on public gatherings by, among other things prohibiting social, spiritual and recreational gatherings of 25 people or more where at least a 3-foot social separation cannot be maintained and includes any community, public, leisure, faith-based and sporting events, concerts, conventions, fundraisers, fairs, festivals and similar events and activities; and

WHEREAS, Coronaviruses are a group of viruses that can cause respiratory disease, with the potential to cause serious illness or loss of life especially for individuals with underlying health conditions; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 requires a significant level of public resources at the local level to keep the public and community informed and as safe as possible; and

WHEREAS aside from the clear public health threat that COVID-19 presents, the cumulative effect of local, state, federal and world-wide measures implemented to stem the spread of the disease will have a significant impact on people's lives, livelihoods and the economy for a long time into the future; and

WHEREAS, the unknown duration of the COVID-19 pandemic will have significant social and financial impact to the Banks community; and

WHEREAS, 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 and

WHEREAS, ORS 401.309 and BCO 38.04 authorize the City Council to declare an emergency based on, among other things, a natural or manmade public health hazard such as COVID-19, and grants the City authority to assume specific temporary emergency measures to protect life, property or the environment and generally to address the emergency; and

WHEREAS, the City Council duly noticed and convened a special council meeting on March 18, 2020, at the conclusion of which it adopted Resolution 2020-08, Declaring an Emergency Pursuant to BCO Chapter 38 and ORS 401.309, and Authorizing the City Manager to Respond as Appropriate to the Public Health Hazard Conditions Associated With the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic to last until April 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 20-08, which ordered the closure of public schools until April 28, 2020 to prevent the spread of the Novel Coronavirus among school children, their families and other contacts; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 20-12 which prohibited until further notice all non-essential social and recreational gatherings, regardless of size, unless a minimum 6-foot social distancing can be maintained from all individuals; and

WHEREAS, it appears to the Banks City Council that the state-wide state of emergency and the Governor's Executive Orders prohibiting gatherings and requiring a minimum 6-foot social distancing between all individuals will remain in effect at least through the end of April, which warrants an extension to the City's Declaration of Emergency to at least May 12, 2020.

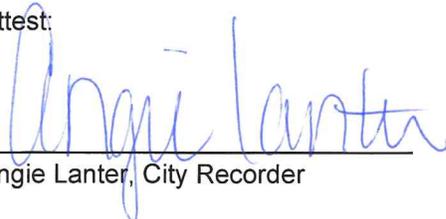
NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the authority in ORS 401.309 and BCO Ch. 38 and the foregoing recitals, which are incorporated herein, the Banks City Council, resolves that the Emergency Declaration established in Resolution 2020-08 (March 18, 2020) shall be extended and remain in effect until May 12, 2020 and may be extended thereafter depending upon circumstances.

IT IS SO ORDERED AND EFFECTIVE this 14th day of April 2020



Peter C. Edison, Mayor

Attest:



Angie Lanter, City Recorder