

**CITY OF COOS BAY  
STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION  
March 19, 2020**

WHEREAS, City of Coos Bay ("City"), an Oregon municipal corporation, has all powers that the constitutions, statutes, and common law of the United States and Oregon expressly or impliedly grant or allow the City; and

WHEREAS, the coronavirus (COVID-19) is a virus that can cause respiratory disease with the potential to cause serious illness and/or loss of life for individuals, especially individuals with underlying health conditions; and

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, COVID-19 was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, under Section 8.25.030 of the Coos Bay Municipal Code ("CBMC"), an emergency is defined to include, a natural event, including disease, threatening to cause loss of life in the City; and

WHEREAS, CBMC 8.25.050 and 8.25.080 provides that City may adopt procedures to prevent, prepare for, minimize, respond to, and/or recover from an emergency, including, without limitation, adopting such measures and/or actions necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and/or welfare of persons, property, infrastructure, and/or the environment; and

WHEREAS, CBMC 8.25 provides that the city manager may declare a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the city manager has conferred with the mayor, and department heads, concerning the state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, having conferred with the mayor, and department heads, the city manager finds that COVID-19 is a public health crisis that threatens the health, safety, and welfare of City and City's citizens and constitutes an imminent threat of severe damage, injury, illness, human suffering, financial loss, and/or loss of life; and

WHEREAS, the city manager finds that COVID-19 necessitates a state of emergency declaration.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS DECLARED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Findings. The above-stated findings are hereby adopted. Without otherwise limiting the generality of the immediately preceding sentence, the city manager finds that COVID-19 threatens the health, safety, and/or welfare of City and its citizens and/or causes or may cause damage, injury, and/or death to persons and/or property in City.

2. Emergency Declaration; Notice. In accordance with CBMC 8.25, the city manager declares a state of emergency commencing March 19, 2020 and ending May 1, 2020 (or such other date

the Coos Bay City Council (the "Council") determines necessary or appropriate). The emergency declared herein applies to all areas within City's incorporated limits. City will give notice of the emergency declaration through press releases, public media, and such other means the city manager deems reasonable under the circumstances.

2. Temporary Regulations. For purposes of preventing, preparing for, minimizing, responding to, and/or recovering from the emergency declared herein, City may, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable law, adopt such procedures, measures, and/or actions necessary for protection of the health, safety, and/or welfare of persons, property, infrastructure, and/or the environment. Without otherwise limiting the generality of the immediately preceding sentence, City is hereby authorized to take such actions necessary to prepare for, prevent, mitigate, and/or respond to the emergency, including, without limitation, the following: (a) transferring and/or redirecting any City funds necessary or appropriate for uses and/or purposes related to the emergency; (b) suspending City's public contracting and/or procurement rules, procedures, and/or requirements for any contract or purchase necessary and/or appropriate to respond to the emergency, including, without limitation, contracts for goods, services, and/or construction services; (c) cancelling non-essential City meetings and/or events, including, without limitation, board, committee, commission, workgroup, steering committee and other City meetings, and/or modifying the manner and/or method in which essential City meetings are held and conducted; (d) suspending code enforcement actions; (e) limiting the congregation and/or gathering of individuals; (f) reducing and/or eliminating City business hours; (g) closing and/or limiting access to City property and City buildings, including City Hall; (h) adopting, modifying, and/or suspending City personnel policies, including, without limitation, adjusting work schedules, adopting remote work policies, and/or modifying leave policies; (i) any actions authorized under ORS chapter 401; and/or (j) adopting and implementing such actions, precautions, measures, and/or procedures recommended by federal, state, and/or local governments and/or agencies, including, without limitation, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Oregon Health Authority, and/or Coos County Health & Wellness.

3. Ratification. Subject to and in accordance with CBMC 8.25.060, the Council will consider ratifying the emergency declaration contained herein by resolution at a special meeting scheduled for March 31, 2020.

ADOPTED AND MADE EFFECTIVE this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.



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Rodger Craddock, City Manager