



Staff Report

TO: City Council
FROM: Elizabeth Gibbs, Interim City Manager
DATE: May 17, 2022
SUBJECT: Review of Local Emergency Declaration Established via the Adoption of City of Beaumont Resolution No. 2020-07 Adopted on March 17, 2020

Background and Analysis:

On March 17, 2020, the City Council passed and approved Resolution No. 2020-07 ("Resolution") which authorized the City Manager to execute a declaration of the existence of a local emergency in the City of Beaumont. Approval of the Resolution was in response to the declaration by the World Health Organization (WHO) of the COVID – 19 pandemic, Governor Gavin Newsom's declaration of a state of emergency for all California, and the increase of infections within the City of Beaumont and the immediate area.

The emergency declaration must be reviewed every 60 days in order to determine whether conditions exist for its continuance. This emergency declaration was reviewed by the City Council on March 15, 2022, and was not modified.

The City Council's adoption of Resolution No. 2020-07 established the existing emergency declaration and empowered the City Manager to:

1. Make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency;
2. Obtain vital supplies, equipment and such other properties found lacking and needed for the protection of life and property, and to bind the City for the fair value thereof;
3. Require emergency services of any City officer or employee, and, in the event of the proclamation of a state of emergency in Riverside County, to command the aid of as many citizens of Beaumont as is deemed necessary by the City Manager for the execution of the City Manager's duties; such persons shall be

entitled to all privileges, benefits and immunities as are provided by state law for registered disaster service workers;

4. Requisition necessary personnel or material to any City department or agency; and
5. Execute all ordinary duties and powers of the City Manager as well as special powers conferred by the Beaumont Municipal Code, by resolution or emergency plan adopted by the City Council, and all other powers conferred by the City Council and any other lawful authority.

As of the time that this memorandum was prepared, the most recent executive order N-04-22 dated February 25, 2022, terminates portions of 11 executive orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic (Attachment A). Under this order, 19 provisions are terminated immediately, with an additional 18 to be lifted on March 31, 2022, and 15 to expire on June 30, 2022.

If Beaumont's emergency declaration remains in effect, it will be brought back to the City Council for consideration no later than July 19, 2022. In the event that the City Council determines that a local emergency declaration is no longer required, an amending resolution will be presented for City Council consideration at the next regular City Council meeting of June 7, 2022, or earlier at a special meeting convened by the City Council for that purpose.

Fiscal Impact:

There are no costs resulting from the continuation of a local state of emergency. City staff estimates that preparation of this report cost to be approximately \$75.

Recommended Action:

Take no action and keep the existing declaration of emergency resolution in place.

Attachments:

- A. Order N-04-22
- B. City of Beaumont Resolution No. 2020-07