



STAFF REPORT
6/24/2020

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Best Best & Krieger LLP, General Counsel

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 2020-08, a Resolution Extending the Temporary Suspension of Service Turnoffs During the COVID-19 State of Emergency Through July 31, 2020.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Consideration of Resolution WA-2020-08 Extending the Temporary Suspension of Service Turnoffs During the COVID-19 State of Emergency Through **July 31, 2020**.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

On March 25, 2020, the Authority adopted Resolution WA-2020-04 which directed the Executive Director to refrain from taking action which would result in the termination of service to residential customers, due to nonpayment, at least through June 1, 2020.

On May 28, 2020, the Executive Director issued an Executive Order extending the Temporary Suspension through June 30, 2020, finding that residents continue to experience economic hardship as a result of COVID-19.

On June 10, 2020, the Board of Directors adopted Resolution WA-2020-07, which ratified the May 28, 2020 Executive Order and extended the Temporary Suspension through June 30, 2020. The Resolution authorizes the Board of Directors or Executive Director to further modify, supersede, or rescind the extended Suspension Period.

The proposed Resolution would further extend the Temporary Suspension **through July 31, 2020**.

From now until the extension lapses on July 31, 2020, the Board of Directors and Executive Director will continue to monitor the situation and may rescinded, modify, or further extend the Temporary Suspension as necessary.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Do not adopt Resolution WA-2020-08.
2. Provide additional direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None Anticipated.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution WA-2020-08 (Resolution WA-2020-04, May 28, 2020 Executive Order, and Resolution WA-2020-07 are attached.)