## CITY OF GUSTAVUS RESOLUTION CY21-05

## A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS ENCOURAGING GUSTAVUS RESIDENTS AND VISTORS TO HAVE A NEGATIVE COVID-19 TEST RESULT OR TAKE A TEST ON ARRIVAL

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has generated a public health emergency that threatens to overwhelm our health care system and endangers the lives and the wellbeing of the citizens and economy of Gustavus; and,

**WHEREAS**, the first line of defense against virus spread into Gustavus is to prevent it from arriving with travelers; and,

**WHEREAS,** on November 9, 2020 the Gustavus City Council passed Resolution CY20-23 declaring a second local emergency in response to COVID-19 and a request for State and Federal Public assistance; and,

**WHEREAS**, on February 14, 2021, Governor Dunleavy posted new State health advisories with recommendation to intrastate travel, interstate and international travel, and critical infrastructure; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Governor's health advisories provide for the City of Gustavus, with its limited health care facilities and staffing, to enact more stringent mitigating measures.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**: The City of Gustavus hereby strongly encourages all arriving travelers by any mode of transportation into the City of Gustavus to complete the State of Alaska Travel Declaration Form and the Self Isolation Plan via the Alaska Travel Portal at <a href="https://www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com">www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com</a>

Section 1. All Alaskan residents and non-resident interstate and intrastate travelers, arriving by any mode of transportation into the City of Gustavus, should use one of the following COVID-19 testing options and check in upon arrival at the local point of entry testing location:

- a) Pre-travel molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 with negative results within 72 hours:
  - i) Strict social distancing upon arrival, then
  - ii) Continue strict social distancing until negative results are received from a second test taken at least 5 days after arrival, or until 14 days total have elapsed since arrival.
- b) Pre-travel molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 without results:
  - i) Self-quarantine until test results are available and then strict social distance,
  - ii) Continue strict social distancing until negative results are received from a second test taken at least 5 days after arrival, or until 14 days total have elapsed.
- c) No pre-travel molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 before arrival:
  - i) Everyone over the age of 11 years or older should test at the Gustavus Point of Entry Testing Location upon arrival, then
  - ii) Self-quarantine until test results are available and then follow strict social distancing.

- iii) Continue strict social distancing until negative results from a second test taken at least 5 days after arrival or until14 days total have elapsed.
- d) Only Alaska residents traveling from out of state have the option to skip testing and self-quarantine for 14 days.

Section 2. Critical Infrastructure Workforce (CI) Travel Recommendations: All workers arriving in Alaska from outside the state as part of the critical infrastructure workforce, fall under this section and do not qualify for the options listed in Section 1.

- 1) Fill out the City of Gustavus CI Form and return it by email to <u>clerk@Gustavus-ak.gov</u> *before travel.*
- 2) You must arrive at the Point of Entry testing location with a letter from the employer that:
  - a) Identifies the employer and employee by name; and
  - b) Details instructions on how the employee should travel to their job site in accordance with the employer's Community Workforce Protective Plan; and
  - c) Confirms the traveler is following the employer's Community Workforce Protective Plan on file with the State of Alaska that includes testing and/or quarantine provisions.

Section 3. COVID -19 Testing & Strict Social Distancing Exemptions - All travelers

- 1) Exemption for Prior confirmed positive results within 90 days of departure: The traveler does not need to obtain a test for SARS-CoV2, either immediately before travel or upon arrival, if both of the following conditions are met:
  - a) The traveler provides proof of a previously positive result of a molecular based test for SARS-CoV2 within 90 days of departure: and
  - b) The traveler has been declared "recovered" by their state public health authorities, and
  - c) The traveler is currently asymptomatic.
- 2) Exemptions for fully vaccinated individuals:
  - a) Fully vaccinated travelers should follow pre-travel testing protocols, but do not need to follow strict social distancing while they are awaiting test results.

Section 4. Protocol: Prior to arrival in Gustavus from another Alaska community or state, you should:

- 1) Complete the State of Alaska Travel Declaration Form and the Self Isolation Plan via the Alaska Travel Portal at <a href="www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com">www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com</a>.
- 2) Resident travelers and non-resident travelers who choose to take a test prior to travel should submit their results or proof of a test taken within 72 hours or have proof available to show airport screeners.
- 3) Travelers who indicate in the Alaska Travel Portal that they will be in Alaska for five days or more will receive a voucher within the Alaska Travel Portal that can be used for an optional second test five to 14 days after arrival. The voucher allows for a free follow up test at airport testing sites.
- 4) If the molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 result is positive, the traveler must remain in self-isolation at their own expense. The traveler must contact the State of Alaska (1-800-478-0084) and must not travel until cleared by Public Health.

## Section 5. Definitions:

- 1) Self-quarantine: Quarantine refers to the practice of separating individuals who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 to determine whether they develop symptoms or test positive for the disease. Quarantine also reduces the risk of transmission if an individual is later found to have COVID-19.
  - a) Self-quarantine is recommended while waiting for the results of your first molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2.
  - b) Comply with all protocols related to your self-quarantine as set forth by your hotel or rented lodging.
- 2) Strict Social Distancing:
  - a) Strict social distancing is needed while you wait for test results.
  - b) You can be in an outdoor public place, but you should remain six feet away from anyone not in your immediate household, and you should wear a face covering. You should arrange curbside shopping or have food delivery.
  - c) You should not enter restaurants, bars, gyms, community centers, office buildings, and school or daycare facilities. Do not participate in any group activities, including sporting events and practices, weddings, funerals, or other gatherings.
- 3) Fully Vaccinated: Is defined as more than two weeks following receipt of the second dose in a two-dose series, or more than two weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine.
- 4) Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce: The CI workforce has been defined in the Cyber and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) "Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce" at:
  - https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/ECIW\_4.0\_Guidance\_on\_Essential\_Critical\_Infrastructure\_Workers\_Final3\_508\_0.pdf

**EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION**. This resolution replaces CY20-24 Resolution Encouraging Continued COVID-19 Prevention Efforts and shall be effective immediately upon adoption. A public service announcement shall be widely distributed providing public notice of the encouragements in this resolution. This resolution shall remain in effect until COVID-19 Point of Entry testing is no longer available, or until modified or terminated by the Gustavus City Council.

<b>PASSED and APPROVED</b> by the Gustavus City Cou effective upon adoption.	ncil this day of March 2021, and
Brittney Cannamore, Mayor	
Attest: Karen Platt CMC, City Clerk	